



ICN Steering Group Meeting
Wednesday, 12 June 2024
OECD Paris, Conference Centre Room CC7, 8:15 – 9:15

Attendees

Australian Competition and Consumer Commission
Brazilian Administrative Council for Economic Defense
Colombian Superintendence of Industry and Commerce
Competition Bureau Canada
Competition Commission of India
European Commission DG Competition
French Autorité de la concurrence
German Bundeskartellamt
Hungarian Gazdasági Versenyhivatal
Italian Autorità Garante della Concorrenza e del Mercato
Japan Fair Trade Commission
Kenya Competition Authority
Korea Fair Trade Commission
Mexican Federal Economic Competition Commission
Portuguese Competition Authority
Competition and Consumer Commission of Singapore
Competition Commission of South Africa
Spanish National Markets and Competition Commission
United Kingdom Competition and Markets Authority
United States Department of Justice
United States Federal Trade Commission

Item 1: Approval of Agenda and Minutes

The meeting was held in a hybrid format to ensure that all Steering Group (SG) members could participate.

The SG approved the proposed agenda and the minutes of the SG meeting of 24 April and 17 May 2024.

Item 2: ICN Secretariat

The Chair and the SG members again thanked the Canadian Competition Bureau for their unwavering dedication and hard work over the past two decades. The SG members discussed the way forward, including a plan for a transition phase.

Item 3: ICN Operational Framework

The Operational Framework Working Group presented a proposal for a provision on Steering Group decision-making and Co-Chair rotation based on the discussions during the special SG meeting at the Annual Conference. The SG approved the proposed wording.

Item 4: ICN Annual Conference

The UK CMA reported on the first steps of their conference planning for the 2025 Annual Conference to be held in Edinburgh from 7 to 9 May 2025.

The SG members discussed the expressions of interest received for hosting the 2026 and 2027 Annual Conferences.

Item 5: Work Plans

The ACCC in its capacity as Horizontal Coordinator (HC) presented the working group work plans. The SG members thanked the Working Groups and the HC. The SG members noted that the quality of the individual projects is key and that the quality depends largely on how many members contribute their expertise.

Item 7: Sustainability Workshop

The French Autorité provided an update on the ICN workshop on “The role of competition in supporting sustainable development goals”, which took place from 2 to 3 July 2024.

Item 8: OECD Liaison

Commissioner Reiko AOKI, JFTC, in her capacity as OECD Liaison, informed the SG members about OECD projects.

Item 9: Other Business

No other business was reported.

Item 8: Future SG meetings

The next SG meetings will take place on: 4 September, 9 October, 6 November, 4 December (Paris), 15 January, 19 February, April (tbc), 9 May (Edinburgh).