



**ICN Steering Group Meeting  
Wednesday, 3 April 2019, 2pm CEST**

**Attendees**

Australian Competition and Consumer Commission  
Brazilian Administrative Council for Economic Defense  
Competition Bureau Canada  
Colombian Superintendencia de Industria y Comercio  
European Commission DG Competition  
French Autorité de la concurrence  
German Bundeskartellamt  
Japan Fair Trade Commission  
Italian Autorità Garante della Concorrenza e del Mercato  
Korean Fair Trade Commission  
Mexican Federal Economic Competition Commission  
Netherlands Authority for Consumers and Markets  
Portuguese Competition Authority  
Russian Federal Antimonopoly Service  
Competition Commission of Singapore  
Competition Commission of South Africa  
Spanish National Authority for Markets and Competition  
United Kingdom Competition and Markets Authority  
United States Department of Justice  
United States Federal Trade Commission

**Item 1: Approval of Agenda and Minutes**

The Chair welcomed the Steering Group (SG) members and congratulated Matthew Boswell, appointed Commissioner of Competition of the Competition Bureau Canada on 5 March 2019, and highlighted the Bureau's outstanding services to the ICN. The SG approved the proposed agenda. The presentation of the ICN Special Purpose Account by the ICN Secretariat was postponed to the SG meeting on 7 May. The SG approved the minutes of the SG meeting on February 27, 2019.

**Item 2: ICN CAP**

The Chair updated the SG about the ICN Framework on Competition Agency Procedures (ICN CAP). The SG members including the Competition Bureau Canada, the US DOJ, the UK CMA, the JFTC, the US FTC, DG COMP, the Netherlands ACM, the Portuguese AdC and the Italian Competition authority, expressed their support and approved the CAP documents circulated in preparation of the call and the rollout and public announcement including the (i) notice to ICN members via a special issue of the newsletter which will include a link to the CAP

documents published on the ICN website, (ii) the date of opening for registration from 1 May 2019 (all agencies that submit a registration form before or at the Annual Conference will become founding members), and (iii) the CAP's entry into effect at the 2019 ICN Annual Conference in Cartagena, where the ICN CAP will be presented to the ICN membership in a plenary session.

### Item 3: ICN Annual Conferences

The Steering Group members approved the US competition agencies as joint hosts of the ICN Annual Conference 2020.

Colombia's Superintendence of Industry and Commerce provided an update on the 2019 Annual Conference planning. So far 224 individuals have registered for the conference. The SG members discussed the plenary and breakout session speakers. The Chair highlighted the importance of speaker diversity in terms of geography, gender and group diversity. The SG members approved the speaker overview prepared by the Co-Chairs and circulated to SG members before the SG call. The Co-Chairs will now confirm the speakers and start the preparation of the sessions.

The SG members approved the press policy for the Annual Conference which will be in line with the press policy successfully applied at the 2018 ICN Annual Conference in New-Delhi. Representatives of the press will receive the press policy together with their invitations.

### Item 5: Horizontal Coordinator

The ICN Horizontal Coordinator presented the Interim Report on the short form work plans for the 2019-20 ICN year circulated to the SG members before the call. The working group co-chairs highlighted their main work products and plans for workshops based on the short form work plans sent to SG members before the call. The Chair thanked the HC and the working groups. The work plans will be approved after the Annual Conference.

### Item 5: Vice-Chair for Young Agencies and Regional Diversity

The President of the Mexican COFECE, Alejandra Palacios, Vice-Chair for Young Agencies and Regional Diversity, presented the updated report "Lessons to Be Learnt from the Experience of Young Competition Agencies". The Chair thanked the Vice-Chair for this very important and helpful document.

### Item 6: ITOD

The ICN Training on Demand team presented a certificate program based on an outline sent to SG members in preparation of the SG meeting. The Steering Group members approved the ITOD certificate program.

Item 7: Other Business

No other business was reported.

Item 7: Future SG Meetings

The next SG meeting will be held on 7 May 2019.