



ICN Steering Group Meeting
Wednesday, October 25, 2017, 2:00 pm (CET)

Attendees

Australian Competition and Consumer Commission
Brazilian Administrative Council for Economic Defense
Competition Bureau Canada
European Commission DG Competition
French Autorité de la concurrence
German Bundeskartellamt
Competition Commission of India
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, Andreas Mundt, welcomed the Steering Group (SG) members and Makan Delrahim, US DOJ, as a new SG member. The SG approved the proposed agenda and the minutes of the SG meeting on September 27, 2017.

Item 2: Town Hall Teleconference

The Chair provided a debrief on the Town Hall teleconference on September 27, 2017. Andrea Coscelli, Chief Executive Officer, UK CMA, Johannes Laitenberger, Director-General, DG Competition and Toh Han Li, Chief Executive, Competition Commission of Singapore, discussed the question "What can competition authorities do for open markets?". The teleconference was very successful, 150 lines were engaged. An ad hoc newsletter highlighted the main messages.

Item 3: Social Media

The Vice Chair for Communication and the Website Team presented a paper on social media use at ICN. SG members agreed on the next steps:

- The SG agreed that on the basis of the Porto Twitter experiment, the same procedure will be followed for future ICN events. The Vice Chair for Communication will open an ICN Twitter account and draw up tweeting guidelines. The responsibility for and provision of capacity for tweeting work product before, during and post annual conference will rest with the AIN.
- SG members do not see Facebook as an appropriate medium for ICN.
- SG members deferred a decision on the use of Linked-In.
- The ICN blog will be reactivated and maintained by AIN. The blog activities will be reviewed after a period of one year.
- ITOD will continue its use of YouTube.

Item 4: ICN Training on Demand (ITOD)

ITOD training modules reflect ICN consensus. The ITOD team provided an update on current activities including a module on Investigative Process. Another module planned for the 2017/18 ICN year will deal with international cooperation. Future module possibilities include: A Framework for Single Firm Conduct, Initial Assessment of a Merger Filing or Conduct Complaint, Merger Remedies, Independence of Agencies and Balancing Competition and Public Interest Factors.

Item 5: Annual Conference

The Competition Commission of India provided an update on the Annual Conference planning and the Special Project which will include two surveys. The SG agreed to discuss the agenda including all plenary and BOS topics at the December meeting.

Item 6: Workshops

The Canadian Competition Bureau reported on the use of agency names instead of states at the 2017 ICN Cartel Workshop in Ottawa in October 2017. The SG agreed to test the new nomenclature at the Unilateral Conduct Workshop in Rome and MWG training-style workshop in Mexico City.

Item 7: OECD

A SG member raised the idea that the ICN Guidance on Investigative Process and other ICN work products on due process might be a suitable area for joint work with the OECD.

Item 8: Other Business

The Italian Competition Agency informed the SG about the UNCTAD 16th meeting of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Competition Law and Policy and related meetings (5-

7 July 2017), particularly about a newly established discussion group on international cooperation.

Item 9: Future SG Meetings

The next SG meeting will be held on December 6, 2017.