



**ICN Steering Group Meeting**  
**Wednesday, 30 November 2022**  
**Château de la Muette, Paris, OECD room E, 8:15am**

**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  
Hungarian Gazdasági Versenyhivatal  
Italian Autorità Garante della Concorrenza e del Mercato  
Japan Fair Trade Commission  
Kenya Competition Authority  
Korean 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 SG approved the proposed agenda and the minutes of the SG meeting on 26 October 2022.

The Chair welcomed Sarah Cardell, Interim Chief Executive UK CMA, and Juan Camilo Durán, Acting Superintendent of Industry and Commerce of Colombia, to their first ICN SG meeting.

The Chair, also in his capacity as ICN CAP Co-chair, informed the SG members about the applications for CAP membership submitted by the Eurasian Economic Commission and the Taiwan FTC.

## Item 2: ICN Vice Chair

According to the ICN Operational Framework, the Chair, after consultation with the SG, may nominate up to two Vice Chairs for SG approval.

The SG confirmed Lina Khan, Chair of the U.S. FTC, as an ICN Vice Chair. The ICN's other Vice Chair is Margarida Matos Rosa, President of the Portuguese Competition Authority. The SG members emphasized that the FTC had a long-standing history of engagement in the ICN and thanked Chair Khan for her willingness to continue this engagement. The SG members highlighted that agency representatives from many different jurisdictions including from developing countries had served as ICN Vice Chairs. The SG will ensure that the broad and diverse membership will also be represented in the future.

## Item 3: 3D

The Third Decade project team presented the 'Open ICN Programme' as a new element of the 3D report "The ICN's vision for its Third Decade". The new programme is based on two key observations: First, feedback from Third Decade consultations has served to identify the critical link between network participation and communication. The ICN offers many opportunities for member engagement, but it is crucial that all members and NGAs be informed of these opportunities to participate. Second, the ICN should provide a baseline opportunity for all to participate given that members' capacity to participate is shaped by differences in resources and experience.

The 'Open ICN Programme' under the umbrella of the 3D project will introduce a new annual "check-in" to confirm members' contact information and invite input. It also includes a new "Focus Group" to provide a resource-light opportunity for members to get involved. The Focus Group will be linked to COFECE's Bridging project, which brings together more experienced and younger agencies. The Focus Group will organize three events, all will offer opportunities for input: (1) the existing "kick-off" call, (2) a new mid-year update, and (3) a conference preview and work plan discussion. The group will also organize 'Open door' working group co-chairs calls.

The SG members approved the suggested approach. The 3D team will keep the SG informed.

## Item 4: Intersection Project

The project team of the Project on Competition Law Enforcement at the Intersection between Competition, Consumer Protection and Privacy provided a status report based on an outline of a practical agency considerations paper circulated to the SG members ahead of the meeting. The team is also planning to explore options for interaction with the International Consumer Protection and Enforcement Network (ICPEN) and the Global Privacy Assembly (GPA).

#### Item 5: SG Members' Hot Topics Presentation

The SG members continued the hot topics discussion format based on an introduction by Sarah Cardell, Interim Chief Executive of the UK CMA, who outlined how the UK CMA developed its strategic priorities framework. The SG members commented on and discussed how agencies develop their own strategies or strategic priorities in uncertain times.

#### Item 6: OECD Liaison

The ICN/OECD Liaison, Margarida Matos Rosa, President of the Portuguese AdC, updated the SG members on past and upcoming OECD initiatives:

- The Competition Enforcement Co-operation Template was released on 26 November 2023. It includes information from OECD members but also from non-member countries. At ICN level, the Steering Group created a Special Project Group on International Enforcement Cooperation in 2021 to identify cross-ICN cooperation opportunities and coordinate the ICN's cooperation initiatives with the OECD and UNCTAD. The Project Group maintains close contact with the OECD.
- The OECD will participate in the 2022 ICN Cartel Workshop (sessions on "Data Screening Tools" and "Green Claims and Cooperation")
- Future OECD initiatives
- High Level Symposium on "Pro-Competitive Policies for a Sustainable Economic Recovery" on 23 January 2023
- Competition Open Day in Paris, 23 February 2023
- The OECD Regional Centres for Competition based in Hungary, South Korea and Peru will host a series of events in 2023

#### Item 7: Other Business

No other business was reported.

#### Item 8: Future SG Meetings

The next SG meetings will take place on 18 January 2023.