

Note from the Chair for the April 16, 2014 Steering Group Meeting

Dear colleagues,

Next week is our last meeting before the Marrakech conference, and the main focus of our meeting is to review and consider for adoption the remaining 2014 work products. Other agenda items include an update of the conference, and approval of a new member

Approval of ICN Work Products

On the call, each working group will briefly present their work product for Steering Group (SG) approval. In doing so, I ask that the co-chairs describe the process for creating the work product(s), including the scope of member and NGA involvement, how the work product fits with the group's long term goals, and any plans to promote the work products.

For this meeting, we are expecting to request the SG members for their approval of the remaining work products. SG members also will be asked to approve the results of this year's Special Project and the 2014 Executive Summary of ICN Work Products. The Chair will ask SG members whether the Summary of Work Product in a slightly modified way might replace the Statement of Achievements. The expected work product for Marrakech includes:

Advocacy WG

Competition Assessment Recommended Practices Benefits Project

Agency Effectiveness WG

Confidentiality Report

Update of the Chapter on Human Resources Management in Competition Agencies Update of the Chapter on Knowledge Management

Cartel WG

Common Leniency Waiver Template and Explanatory Note
Update of the Chapter on Drafting and Implementing an Effective Leniency Programme
Update of the Chapter on Digital Evidence Gathering

Merger WG

Draft Interim Report on International Cooperation in Mergers

Unilateral Conduct WG

Recommended Practices on Predatory Pricing Analysis Pursuant to Unilateral Conduct Laws

Special Project

Report on State-Owned Enterprises and Competition



Advocacy and Implementation Network

Activity Report on ICN Advocacy and Implementation Network 2013-2014

Other documents

Summary of ICN work products 2013 - 2014

Annual Conference

The Competition Council of Morocco (MCC) will provide an update on the conference planning. The 2014 Annual Conference will be held in Marrakech on April 22-25, 2014.

Approval of new ICN member

The Membership Working Group has received a letter of interest to join the ICN from the Procompetencia, the competition authority of the Dominican Republic. It would like to discuss the approval of this application.

I look forward to speaking with all of you next week and wish all of you safe travels to Marrakech.

With best regards,

Andreas Mundt