



WTO OMC

WTO E-SEMINAR ON COMPETITION POLICY, TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT

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COMPETITION DIVISION**

20 JULY (DAY 1), 22 JULY (DAY 2), 27 JULY (DAY 3) AND 29 JULY (DAY 4)

PROGRAMME

DAY 1

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speakers</u>	<u>Approximate Duration</u>
Opening remarks, introduction to the programme of the E-Seminar and to Government Procurement and Competition Policy Group	IPD	1h

Trade policy and competition policy: Complementarities in support of economic development agenda

1.1 Competition policy and trade policy: their complementarities and how to optimize their use in support of economic development	Mr Robert Anderson, University of Nottingham	30
1.2 The role of competition policy for development in a context of global trade relations: developing countries' experiences to date	Ms Theresa Moreira, UNCTAD	40
1.3 Straddling the trade and competition worlds: a personal perspective (Q&A format)	Mr Eduardo Perez-Motta, Mexico's former WTO Ambassador, former Chair of Mexico's Competition authority	45

Trade and competition in the WTO context

1.4 Overview of competition policy elements in the WTO agreements (trade in goods, trade in services and trade-related aspects of intellectual property rights)	IPD	20
Participants' opinion survey	Participants	
Participants submit any questions/comments to the WTO Secretariat in writing, with replies to be provided during Geneva working hours		

DAY 2

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speakers</u>	<u>Approximate Duration</u>
<u>Case study 1: Trade policy and competition policy in the digital age</u>		

2.1 The WTO telecommunications reference paper: facilitating access to telecommunications services and promoting best practices in telecommunications regulation	TBC	20
2.2 Digital trade: digital platforms and emerging competition policy issues	TBC	15-20
<u>Case study 2: Trade policy and competition policy in the service of public health</u>		
2.3 Towards a holistic approach to trade, IP protection, government procurement, competition and development policy: the COVID-19 pandemic as a possible catalyst	Mr Antony Taubman, IPD	20
2.4 The TRIPS Agreement and access to medical technologies and innovation: achieving coherence between competition and IP policies	Ms Anna Caroline Mueller, IPD	20
2.5 The GPA as a tool for the prevention of collusive tendering and corrupt practices in the public health sector: an overview	Mr Robert Anderson, University of Nottingham	25
2.6 The concept and practice of competition advocacy in the context of post-pandemic economic recovery	Mr Ruben Maximiano, OECD	20
2.7. Live discussion with the participants: sharing national and regional experiences	TBC	1,5h
Participants' Opinion Survey/Quiz	Participants	
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DAY 3

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speakers</u>	<u>Approximate Duration</u>
<u>Forms of international cooperation in the field of competition policy</u>		
3.1 Competition policy chapters in free trade agreements: initial assessment based on WTO research	Ms Anna Caroline Mueller, IPD	25
3.2 International trade cooperation under the auspices of the WTO: possible lessons for binding international cooperation in the field of competition policy	Mr Reto Malacrida, IPD	35
3.3 Non-binding forms of international cooperation in the field of competition policy: taking stock and looking ahead	Prof William Kovacic, GW Law School (formerly Chair, U.S. Federal Trade Commission)	40
<u>Trends and policy considerations regarding international cooperation in the field of competition policy</u>		
3.4 Competition policy and the global economy: Current developments and issues for reflection	IPD	15

3.5 International cooperation in the field of competition policy: policy considerations for developing countries	Prof Eleanor M. Fox, New York University School of Law	30
3.6 Live Roundtable: "Competition policy in a global trading system: current issues".	TBC	1,5h
Participants' Opinion Survey/Quiz	Participants	
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DAY 4

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speakers</u>	<u>Approximate Duration</u>
<u>General Q&As and closing observations</u>		
Wrapping-up plenary: general question and answer session, participants' comments and suggestions	IPD Participants	30
e-Seminar evaluation form	Participants	10
Closing observations	Mr Antony Taubman, IPD	15