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Radisson Blu Royal Hotel,
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Thursday 23rd June 2011

A thorough update on the Commission's reaction to recent rulings, and invaluable insight into the impact of significant, recent developments on businesses and advisers.

Key areas of focus will be:

- Review of major cases and current merger control policies over the past twelve months
- The Commission's current priorities
- Jurisdictional and procedural issues
- Vertical and conglomerate mergers
- De minimis rules
- Enforcement
- Remedies
- Future policies and practical challenge



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Dr Robert Schulz, Senior Counsel
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Mergers and acquisitions play an important role in today's economy. The Commission continues to thrive with its consistent merger enforcement strategy.

We have already seen interesting developments in the past few months:

- **Greater scrutiny** by competition authorities of antitrust policies and violations
- The Commission's prohibition decision on the proposed merger of *Aegean Airlines* and *Olympic Air*
- Continually **developing case law** in various European jurisdictions

IBC Legal's insightful conference has been thoroughly researched to provide you with a decisive legal analysis of the laws and regulations of merger control.

Take just one day out of your busy schedule to keep abreast of crucial merger control developments across Europe

Where next for EU merger control? This event provides you with a thorough update on the Commission's reaction to recent rulings, and invaluable insight into the impact of significant, recent developments on businesses and advisers.

Throughout the event there will be ample opportunities to ask questions, debate with speakers and raise issues of concern to your business.

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- **Review** current legislation and practice
- **Grasp** the practical implications of the recent case law on your everyday work
- **Debate** current priorities and approaches by the Commission
- **Share** market insights to combat common problem areas and avoid pitfalls
- **Embrace** practical advice to enhance your strategies
- **Discuss** future policy developments, future challenges and policy initiatives across Europe

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"It was a really useful and well organised conference."

(L Huber, Hungarian Energy Office)

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"One of the best commercial conferences on competition law I ever attended, if not the best!" (R Roniger)

"Good overall review and contentious contributions."

(C Simpson, Oppenheimer Wolfe and Donnelly)

09:00 Registration and coffee

09:30 **Chairman's opening remarks**



Simon Holmes, Head of EU & Competition
SJ Berwin LLP, UK

09:45 **The European Commission's current policies and priorities**

- Changes to the Commission's approach?
- Are deals taking longer to review?
- Where might we see change in the future?



Penelope Papandropoulos, Member of the Chief Economist Team,
DG Competition, European Commission, Belgium

10:15 **Q&A with the representative from the European Commission**

10:45 Morning coffee break

11:15 **Key jurisdictional and procedural developments**

- Developments on the European Commissions consolidated jurisdictional notice
- Update on referrals to and from the Member States
- Practical challenges



Andrzej Kmiecik, Partner
Van Bael & Bellis, Belgium

11:45 **Update on vertical and conglomerate mergers**

- The European Commission's non-horizontal guidelines in operation
- Review of recent cases
- When will non-horizontal mergers give rise to competition issues?
- Intel/McAfee as a model for future scrutiny of sophisticated technology cases?
- Interoperability commitments as a means to address non-horizontal competition issues



Tilman Siebert, Head of EU & Competition
SJ Berwin LLP, Germany

12:15 **Q&A and panel discussion**

- Key jurisdictional and procedural issues
- Vertical and conglomerate mergers
- Referrals

Panellists include:



Tilman Siebert, Head of EU & Competition
SJ Berwin LLP, Germany



Dr Robert Schulz, Senior Counsel Competition
Siemens AG, Germany



Derek Ridyard, Partner
RBB Economics, UK & Belgium

13:00 Lunch

14:15 **Latest development in horizontal mergers**

- Unilateral effects under the SIEC test
- Coordinated effects cases post-SONY BMG
- Use of economics following adoption of the best practices guidelines



Nicholas Levy, Partner
Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, Belgium

Joint presentation

14:55 **De minimis and other exceptions**

- What exceptions are there to the obligation to notify deals to the authorities and on the authorities to carry out a detailed investigation?
- De minimis rules
- Enforcement priorities
- Process efficiency and forum shopping



Nicholas Scola, Deputy Director of Mergers
Office of Fair Trading (OFT), UK



Dr Bernd Meyring, Partner
Linklaters LLP, Belgium

15:25 **Q&A and panel discussion**

- Assessing key horizontal mergers issues
- Debating crucial enforcement issues
- Practical challenges

Panellists include:



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Nicholas Scola, Deputy Director of Mergers
Office of Fair Trading (OFT), UK

15:55 Afternoon tea break

16:25 **The latest developments in remedies**

- Substantive changes in approach to remedies
- From RM and procedural changes
- Practical tips for presenting remedies to the Commission



Andrew Renshaw, Partner
Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, Belgium

16:55 **Q&A and panel discussion**

- Key practical challenges in relation to remedies
- Where next in merger control?
- Need for change?

Panellists include:



Andrew Renshaw, Partner
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Alvaro Ramos, Senior Corporate Counsel
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17:30 **Chairman's closing remarks**

17:35 Conference closes

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