

WTO ONLINE SEMINAR ON COMPETITION POLICY, TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT

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DRAFT PROGRAMME*

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Speakers</u>	<u>Duration</u>
Welcome and introduction to the programme of the E- seminar	Mr Antony Taubman / Mr Reto Malacrida IPD	5-10

Day 1: TRADE POLICY AND COMPETITION POLICY: EXPLOITING COMPLEMENTARITIES IN SUPPORT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT POLICIES

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1.1	Competition policy and trade policy: their complementarities and how to optimize their use in support of economic development	Mr Robert Anderson Nottingham University	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, Head, Competition and Consumer Policies Branch, UNCTAD	30
1.3	Trade and competition at the WTO: overview of competition policy elements in the WTO Agreements (trade in goods, trade in services and trade-related aspects of intellectual property rights)	IPD: possibly 3 colleagues Mr Reto Malacrida Mr Jianning Chen Ms Anna Mueller	45 (3x15)
[1.4	A personal [developing country] perspective of a top-level cross-cutting expert]	[Mr Ernesto Perez-Motta, Mexico's former WTO Ambassador, ex Chair of Mexico's Competition authority]	30
1.5	Participants' opinion survey	Participants	
1.6	Participants share comments and interact in real- time via the virtual platform		
1.7	Participants submit any questions/comments to the WTO Secretariat in writing, with replies to be provided during Geneva working hours		

Day 2 – CASE STUDY ON PUBLIC HEALTH: COORDINATED USE OF TRADE POLICY AND COMPETITION POLICY TO ACHIEVE DESIRABLE PUBLIC HEALTH OUTCOMES, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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2.		Mr Antony Taubman /	20

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2.2 The TRIPS Agreement and access to medical technologies and innovation: achieving coherence between competition and IP policies	IPD Ms Anna Mueller	20'
2.3 The Agreement on Government Procurement (GPA) and public health procurement: preventing collusive tendering and corrupt practices	Nottingham University, IPD, EBRD	50' (20, 10, 20)
2.3.1 The GPA as a tool for the prevention of collusive tendering and corrupt practices in the public health sector: an overview	Mr Robert Anderson Nottingham University	
2.3.2 The GPA as a tool for fighting corruption: first empirical insights	Ms Nadezhda Sporysheva IPD	
2.3.3 [Addressing collusive and corrupt practices during the COVID-19 pandemic: the role of e-procurement]	[Mrs Antonella Salgueiro, EBRD]	
2.4 Public health emergency situations: Strategies for effective international government procurement in a seller's market	IPD & UNCTAD	30' (2x15')
[2.4.1 Emergency procurement options under the GPA] [2.4.2 Competition challenges in emergency	Mr Philippe Pelletier IPD	
procurement: the importance of cooperation of procuring entitles and competition authorities	Ms Akari Yamamoto [or Ebru Gokce], Competition and Consumer Policies Branch, UNCTAD	
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Day 3: CAN INTERNATIONAL TRADE COOPERATION FOMENT INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF COMPETITION?

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3.1	Competition policy chapters in free trade agreements: initial assessment based on WTO research	Ms Anna Mueller / Ms Nadezhda Sporysheva IPD	30'
3.2	Multilateral trade cooperation under the auspices of the WTO: possible lessons for international cooperation in the field of competition policy	Mr Reto Malacrida IPD	20'
3.3	Negotiating a binding bilateral agreement on cross-border cooperation among competition authorities: a negotiator's perspective [TBD]	[Hanspeter Tschäni, former Ambassador in charge of international competition law, Swiss State Secretariat of the Economy]	30'
3.4	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)	30'
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 and/or Prof Patrick Krauskopf (Zurich University of Applied Sciences)]	30'

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Synthesis and closing observations: Building coherent competition, IP, government procurement policies	Mr Antony Taubman, IPD	20'
Seminar evaluation form	Participants	20'