SPECIAL POLICY SESSIONS 2026

1. "Labour Market Collusion"

Matthew Bennett (Vice President, Charles River Associates)

Ioannis Kokkoris (Director of the Centre for Commercial Law Studies at Queen Mary University, Member, UK Competition Appeal Tribunal)

Despina Pachnou (Senior competition expert, OECD)

Lars Sørgard (Norwegian School of Economics)

Helder Vasconcelos (RBB Economics)

Thibaud Vergé (Vice-President, Autorité de la Concurrence)

Chair: Nancy Rose (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)

2. "Socially Responsible Agencies: The Scope of their Mandate"

Cani Fernández (President of the National Commission for Markets and Competition, Spain)

Antonio Gomes (Deputy Director, OECD Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs)

Assimakis Komninos (White & Case)

Pierre Régibeau (former Chief Economist, DGCOM)

Jean Tirole (Toulouse School of Economics, 2014 Nobel Laureate in Economics)

Anne Witt (EDHEC Business School, Augmented Law Institute)

Chair: Philip Marsden (College of Europe, Bruges)

3. "Competition Policy and Regulation in Digital Markets and AI in non-EU/US Countries"

David P. Byrne (Department of Economics, University of Melbourne)

Camila Cabral Pires Alves (Commissioner, CADE, Brazil, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro)

Daisuke Ikezawa (Director, Office of Policy Planning and Research for Digital Markets, Economic Affairs Bureau, JFTC)

Augustine Peter (APRLP Law, former Member of the Competition Commission of India)
Kerem Cem Sanli (Dean, Istanbul Bilgi University Faculty of Law Director – Competition Law and Policy Research Center Santralkampus)

Doris Tshepe (Commissioner, Competition Commission of South Africa)

Roger Zhang (VP for Public Affairs, Tencent)

Chair: Krisztian Katona (Vice President of Global Competition and Regulatory Policy at the Computer and Communications Industry Association (CCIA))

4. "20 Years of Private Damages Actions in the EU: The Role of Economists"

Kai Brauneisen (Judicial Clerk, Federal Constitutional Court, Germany)
John Davies (Member of the Competition Appeal Tribunal, UK)

Hans Friederszick (Director and founder of E.CA Economics)

Thomas Ross (UBC Sauder School of Business)

Till Schreiber (CDC Cartel Damage Claims Consulting SRL)

Frode Steen (Norwegian School of Economics and CEPR)

Chair: Maarten Pieter Schinkel (University of Amsterdam)

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5. "Industrial Policy, Competitiveness, Resilience and the Politicization of Antitrust"

Tomaso Duso (Head of the Firms and Markets Department at the German Institute for Economic Research (DIW Berlin))

Ariel Ezrachi (University of Oxford)

Eleanor Fox (New York University School of Law) (online)

Deborah Healey (Director, China International Business and Economic Law (CIBEL) Centre UNSW Law and Justice, Australia)

Frederic Jenny (ESSEC Business School, Fernand Braudel Fellow European University Institute)

William Kovacic (The George Washington University Law School, former Federal Trade Commission Chairman)

Jorge Padilla (Senior Managing Director and Head of Compass Lexecon Europe)

Chair: Martin Peitz (University of Mannheim)

6. "EC's Merger Guidelines"

Benoît Durand (RBB Economics)

Guilio Federico (Partner, OXERA)

Dave Foster (Executive Director, Frontier Economics)

Elisabetta Iossa (Commissioner, Italian Antitrust Authority, University of Rome Tor Vergata)

Bruno Jullien (Toulouse School of Economics)

Massimo Motta (ICREA-Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona School of Economics)

Emanuele Tarantino (Chief Competition Economist at DG COMP)

Chair: Chiara Fumagalli (Bocconi University)

7. "The Limits of Antitrust: Competition Policy and Regulation in AI"

Giacomo Calzolari (European University Institute)

Jan Eeckhout (Barcelona School of Economics)

Ginger Zhe Jin (University of Maryland)

Howard Shelanski (Georgetown University, formerly Director of the Bureau of Economics at the U.S. FTC and Administrator of the White House Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs)

Jean Tirole (Toulouse School of Economics)

Julian Wright (National University of Singapore) -online

Chair: Jacques Crémer (Toulouse School of Economics)

8. "Algorithmic Collusion and AI"

Susana Campuzano Fernández (Director-General, Competition Directorate, CNMC)

Robert Clark (University of Toronto)

Michal S. Gal (University of Haifa)

Ana Sofia Rodrigues (Member of the Board of the Portuguese Competition Authority)

Keith Waehrer (Managing Director, Secretariat)

Chair: Joe Harrington (Department of Business Economics & Public Policy, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania)