

HALF-DAY COMPLIANCE SEMINAR

# Costs in Competition Law

Brussels, 25 January 2012



With the dissemination of the "more economic" approach in all areas of EU competition law, costs have become a key concept in antitrust proceedings. But to most lawyers and in-house counsels, the very notion(s) of costs remains cryptic.

The purpose of this half-day compliance seminar is thus to offer a complete overview of costs in EU competition law. To this end, it starts by providing some definitions of costs, and then reviews the use of costs in the context of (i) the proof; (ii) the justification; and (iii) the sanction/compensation of infringements.

The following experts will speak at the seminar :

- ▶ **Matthew BENNETT**
- ▶ **Francisco Enrique GONZÁLEZ-DÍAZ**
- ▶ **Paul HOFER**
- ▶ **Thomas JANSSENS**
- ▶ **Damien GERADIN**
- ▶ **Andrea LOFARO**
- ▶ **Jorge PADILLA**
- ▶ **Hans ZENGER**

This half-day compliance seminar is co-organised by the Brussels School of Competition (BSC) and the Institute for European Legal Studies (IEJE) of the University of Liège.

## Price

- ▶ 130€ htva
- ▶ 110€ htva (In-house lawyers and civil servants are eligible to a reduced fee)

## Programme

<b>12:30 – 13:00</b>	<b>REGISTRATION AND WELCOME WORDS</b> <i>Charles GHEUR, Head Communication Dpt, FEB - Director, BSC</i>
	<b>CHAIR</b> <i>Nicolas PETIT, Professor, University of Liege (ULg) - Director, BSC and IEJE</i>
<b>13:00 – 13:30</b>	<b>OVERVIEW OF THE MAIN TYPES OF COSTS USED IN COMPETITION PROCEEDINGS</b> <i>Matthew BENNETT, Director, Office of the Chief Economist and Competition Policy, OFT</i>
<b>13:30 – 14:10</b>	<b>COSTS AND THE PROOF OF ANTICOMPETITIVE INFRINGEMENTS</b> <i>(excessive pricing, margin squeezes, rebates, etc.)</i> <i>Damien GERADIN, Partner, Covington &amp; Burling</i> <i>Jorge PADILLA, Senior Managing Director, Compass Lexecon Europe</i>
<b>14:10 – 14:50</b>	<b>COSTS AND THE JUSTIFICATION OF ANTICOMPETITIVE INFRINGEMENTS</b> <i>(efficiency defences, etc.)</i> <i>Thomas JANSSENS, Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer</i> <i>Paul HOFER, Partner, AMC Economics</i>
<b>14:50 – 15:10</b>	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>
<b>15:10 – 15:50</b>	<b>COST-ALLOCATION IN MULTI-PRODUCT INDUSTRIES</b> <i>Francisco Enrique GONZÁLEZ-DÍAZ, Partner, Cleary Gottlieb Steen &amp; Hamilton</i> <i>Hans ZENGER, Senior Consultant, Charles River Associates</i>
<b>15:50 – 16:30</b>	<b>COSTS AND THE SANCTION-CORRECTION-COMPENSATION OF ANTICOMPETITIVE INFRINGEMENTS</b> <i>(net revenue v. turnover, calculating the competitive counterfactual, etc.)</i> <i>Andrea LOFARO, Partner, RBB Economics</i>
<b>16:30 – 17:10</b>	<b>Q &amp; A SESSION AND CASE-STUDIES</b>
<b>17:10 – 17:30</b>	<b>CONCLUDING REMARKS</b>

### Venue

- ▶ Rue Ravenstein, 4  
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