



DUTCH LANGUAGE BAR OF BRUSSELS

FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER 2005
THE CONRAD HOTEL, BRUSSELS

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION CONFERENCE

ENFORCEMENT OF COMPETITION LAW: CURRENT ISSUES

Conference Chairman:

Professor Walter van Gerven, Former Advocate General, EC Court of Justice

I. Morning session

- 8:45-9:00 *Registration*
- 9:00-9:15 *Welcome address*, by **Edgar Boydens**, President of The Dutch Language Bar of Brussels
- 9:15-9:45 *Public and private enforcement of competition law anno 2005 – where do we stand?* by **John Temple Lang**, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP
- 9:45-10:15 *Private enforcement of competition law: substantive and procedural hurdles*, by Ms. **Jacqueline Riffault-Silk**, Présidente de Chambre, Cour d'Appel de Paris
- 10:15-10:45 *The European Network of Competition Authorities: achievements after 18 months of operation*; by **Emil Paulis**, DG Competition, EC Commission and chair of the ECN
- 10:45-11:00 Coffee/Tea
- 11:00-11:30 *The role of national competition authorities in the enforcement of the competition rules*, by **Prof René Smits**, Chief Legal Counsel of the Dutch Competition Authority
- 11:30-12:00 *Judicial review of competition authorities and of the Network of Competition Authorities*, by **Giuseppe Tesauero**, Former Advocate General at the European Court of Justice and Former Head of Italian Antitrust Authority

12:00-12:30 *Question time*

12:30-14:00 *Lunch*

II. Afternoon session

- 14:00-15:15 *Workshop 1A: Leniency*
Chairman: **Ivo Van Bael**, Van Bael & Bellis
Speakers: **Celine Gauer**, DG Competition, EC Commission; **Dirk Schroeder**, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP; **Philipp Girardet**, Office of Fair Trading; **Jettie Van Caenegem**, Secretary General of the European Company Lawyers Association (ECLA)
- 14:00-15:15 *Workshop 1B: Practical issues in adjudication of private damage claims and claims for interim relief*
Chairman: **Yves Van Gerven**, Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale & Dorr LLP
Speakers: **Denis Waelbroeck**, Ashurst Brussels; **Erik Pijnacker Hordijk**, De Brauw, Blackstone Westbroek; **Cristina Caffarra**, CRAI; **Marca Van Dijk**, Judge at the Amsterdam Court of Appeals
- 15:15-15:30 *Coffee/Tea*
- 15:30-16:45 *Workshop 2A: Criminal enforcement of the competition rules and extradition*
Chairman: **Dirk Vandermeersch**, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP
Speakers: **Wouter Wils**, Legal Service of the European Commission and King's College London; **Alistair Graham**, White & Case; **Julian Joshua**, Howrey LLP; **Prof Chr Van den Wyngaert** (invited), University of Antwerp and Member, International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia
- 15:30-16:45 *Workshop 2B: National courts and exemptions under Article 81(3)*
Chairman: **Prof Jules Stuyck** (Liedekerke Wolters Waelbroeck Kirkpatrick)
Speakers: **Stefaan Raes**, President of the Belgian Competition Authority; **Lars Kjølbye**, DG Competition, EC Commission; **Marc Van der Woude**, Willkie Farr & Gallagher; **Derek Ridyard**, RBB Economics
- 16:45-17:15 *Closing address* by **Stefaan Raes**, President of the Belgian Competition Authority
- 17:15 *Reception* offered by Brussels Bar

The Organising Committee of the Conference has the following members: President Edgar Boydens, Hans Gilliams, Dirk Arts, Thomas Chellingsworth, Frederic Depoortere, Kurt Haegeman, Peter L'Ecluse, Laura Parret, Koen Platteau, Jules Stuyck, Filip Tuytschaever, Bernard Van de Walle, Dirk Vandermeersch, Yves van Gerven, Peter Wytinck and Tim Vermeir (as representative of the Vlaams Pleitgenootschap)