



# European Competition Day Programme (preliminary)

**Monday, 7 September 2020**

**High Level Session**

- 2:30 p.m.      Introductory words**  
Rupprecht Podszun, moderator
- 2:35 p.m.      Welcome Speech**  
Peter Altmaier, Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy (Germany)
- 2:45 p.m.      Keynote Speech**  
Margrethe Vestager, Executive Vice-President, European Commission
- 3:05 p.m.      Panel discussion and Q&A**  
with Executive Vice-President Margrethe Vestager and Federal Minister Peter Altmaier
- 3:35 p.m.      Break**

## **Session 1: Ensuring a level playing field between European companies and state owned or subsidised enterprises from third countries**

- 4:20 p.m.      Introductory speech**  
Philipp Steinberg, Director General for Economic Policy, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (Germany)
- 4:25 p.m.      Theses and poll**  
Rupprecht Podszun

- 4:30 p.m.**      **Presentation “The White Paper on an Instrument on Foreign Subsidies”**  
Carles Esteva Mosso, Deputy Director-General, DG COMP, European Commission
- 4:45 p.m.**      **Presentation by Alicia García-Herrero, BRUEGEL**
- 5:10 p.m.**      **Interactive Panel:**  
Philipp Steinberg, Carles Esteva Mosso, Alicia García-Herrero, and Michiel Boots  
(Chief Economist, NLD)
- 5:55 p.m.**      **Closing words**  
Rupprecht Podszun
- 6:00 p.m.**      **End of the first event day**

## **Tuesday, 8 September 2020**

### **Session 2: A competition framework for the digital age**

- 9:30 a.m.**      **Introductory words**  
Kristina Nordlander, moderator
- 9:35 a.m.**      **Statement (video)**  
Bruno Le Maire (tbc), Minister of the Economy and Finance (France)
- 9:40 a.m.**      **Presentation “Stimulating competition in the platform economy”**  
Damien Geradin, Geradin Partners
- 9:50 a.m.**      **Commentary on the presentation**  
Diane Coyle, University of Cambridge
- 10:00 a.m.**      **Theses and poll**  
Kristina Nordlander

**10:05 a.m.**      **Presentation “B2B Platforms in Europe – challenges and growth in international competition”**

Jörg Hellwig (CheMondis, Chief Digital Officer LANXESS) and Tim Milde (XOM, Chief Operating Officer)

**10:20 a.m.**      **Interactive Panel**

Damien Geradin, Diane Coyle, and Michael Esser (Latham & Watkins)

**11:00 a.m.**      **Theses and poll**

Kristina Nordlander

**11:05 a.m.**      **Break**

### **Session 3: Challenges for competition policy and authorities during international crises (such as the coronavirus)**

**11:20 a.m.**      **Introductory words**

Kristina Nordlander

**11:25 a.m.**      **Speech**

Olivier Guersent, Director-General DG COMP, European Commission

**11:40 a.m.**      **Input**

Andreas Mundt, President, German Federal Cartel Office

**11:50 a.m.**      **Input**

Cani Fernández, President, Spanish Competition Authority

**12:00 p.m.**      **Theses and poll,**

Kristina Nordlander

**12:05 p.m.**      **Interactive Panel**

Olivier Guersent, Andreas Mundt, Cani Fernández

**12:45 p.m.**      **Theses and poll**

Kristina Nordlander

**12:50 p.m.**

**Closing remarks**

Claudia Dörr-Voß, State Secretary, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy

**1:00 p.m.**

**End of the second event day**

