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# 15th Annual Competition Conference

**16–17 September 2011**  
**The St Regis**  
**Florence, Italy**

## **Topics include:**

- Current developments in merger law and enforcement
- Next steps in antitrust litigation
- Challenges posed by the growing internationalisation of cartel investigations
- Views from those who are shaping competition law – an interview with John Fingleton
- Case study – Rio Tinto/BHP Billiton

## **Who should attend?**

Antitrust and commercial lawyers in private practice, in-house counsel, enforcement officials and academics involved in antitrust and trade law.

\*As per the Solicitors Regulation Authority of England and Wales. The number of CPD points/hours available may vary for other bar associations and law societies depending on their criteria.

# Programme

## Conference Co-Chairs

Neil Campbell *McMillan LLP, Toronto; Co-Chair, IBA Antitrust Committee*

Greg McCurdy *Microsoft Corp, New York; Co-Chair, IBA Antitrust Committee*

Friday 16 September

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0800 – 1700 **Registration**

0800 – 0845 **Welcome coffee**

0845 – 0855 **Welcome remarks by Conference Co-Chairs**

0855 – 0905 **Introduction of Keynote speaker**

Michael J Reynolds *Allen & Overy LLP, Brussels; IBA Vice-President*

0905 – 0930 **Keynote speech**

Joaquín Almunia *Vice-President of the European Commission, Competition Commissioner, Brussels*

0930 – 1100 **Session one**

### **Current developments in merger law and enforcement**

A panel discussion about hot topics in merger control in the EU, the US and beyond – from the perspective of senior agency officials and private practitioners.

*Moderators*

Thomas Janssens *Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, Brussels*

Janet McDavid *Hogan & Lovells US LLP, Washington DC; Publications Officer, IBA Antitrust Committee*

*Speakers*

Paul Collins *Senior Deputy Commissioner of Competition – Mergers, Canadian Competition Bureau, Ottawa*

Ilene Gotts *Wachtell Lipton Rosen & Katz, New York*

Stephen Kinsella *Sidley Austin LLP, London*

Bernd Langeheine *Deputy Director General, DG Competition, Brussels*

Jorge Padilla *Compass Lexecon, Madrid*

Sharis Pozen *Acting Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice Antitrust Division, Washington DC*

1100 – 1130 **Coffee/tea break**

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1130 – 1300 **Session two**

**Next steps in antitrust litigation**

A panel discussion on the latest developments in antitrust litigation including the European Commission's consultation on collective redress and reactions to it from the perspective of both claimants and defendants.

*Moderators*

**Elizabeth Morony** *Clifford Chance LLP, London; Website Officer, IBA Antitrust Committee*

**Pieter Steyn** *Werksmans Attorneys, Johannesburg; Secretary and Membership Officer, IBA Antitrust Committee*

*Speakers*

**Allan van Fleet** *Greenberg Traurig LLP, Houston*

**Dr Boris Kasten** *Siemens AG, Munich*

**Anthony Maton** *Hausfeld LLP, London*

**Derek Ridyard** *RBB Economics, London*

**Eddy de Smijters** *European Commission, Brussels*

**Dr Christian Steinle** *Gleiss Lutz, Stuttgart*

1300 – 1500 **Lunch**

*The Westin Excelsior*

**Introduction of Keynote speaker**

**Neil Campbell**

**Keynote speech**

**Andreas Mundt** *President of the Bundeskartellamt, Bonn*

1500 – 1700 **Session three**

**Challenges posed by the growing internationalisation of cartel investigations**

The panel will discuss a number of current topics in the context of cartel enforcement in the EU, the US, Brazil and Asia.

A particular focus will be on the complexities of going for leniency and achieving settlements in cases in which a number of authorities investigate or may wish to investigate specific behaviour.

*Moderators*

**Marc Reysen** *O'Melveney & Myers LLP, Brussels; Working Group Coordinator, IBA Antitrust Committee*

**Philippe Rinczaux** *Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Paris; Newsletter Editor, IBA Antitrust Committee*

*Speakers*

**Kris Dekeyser** *Head of Unit, DG Competition, Brussels*

**Roxann Henry** *Dewey & LeBoeuf, Washington DC*

**Ana Paula Martinez** *Levy & Salomão, Sao Paulo*

**Tsutomu Nakato** *Hibiya Sogo Law Office, Tokyo*

**Patrick Spilliaert** *Vice-President, Autorité de la Concurrence, Paris*

**Gabrielle Williamson** *Heuking Kuhn Luer Wojtek, Brussels/Düsseldorf; Vice-Chair, IBA Public and Professional Interest Division*

1545 – 1615 **Coffee/tea break**

1700 – 1830 **Drinks reception**

*The Westin Excelsior*

The reception is open to all delegates and registered guests.

Saturday 17 September

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0815 – 1300 **Registration**

0850 – 0900 **Introduction of Keynote speaker**  
Greg McCurdy

0900 – 0930 **Keynote speech**  
Commissioner Edith Ramirez *Federal Trade Commission, Washington DC*

0930 – 1030 **Session four**  
**Views from those who are shaping competition law – an interview with John Fingleton**

*Moderator*

Michael J Reynolds

*Speaker*

John Fingleton *Office of Fair Trading, London*

1030 – 1100 **Coffee/tea break**

1100 – 1300 **Session five**

**Case Study – Rio Tinto/BHP Billiton**

On June 2009, mining giants BHP Billiton and Rio Tinto entered into a joint venture agreement to combine their Western Australian iron ore assets. The deal was subject to a number of conditions, including regulatory approvals in several jurisdictions, and faced substantial worldwide opposition from antitrust authorities and competitors, mainly in China and Japan. After a year and a half of trying to demonstrate the pro-competitive effects of the transaction, the companies decided to terminate their joint venture. This panel will bring together counsels for both Rio Tinto and the Japanese steel companies which opposed the deal, in a lively debate on the main issues raised in the case, including some fascinating aspects such as extra-territorial jurisdiction, economic analysis, and international cooperation among agencies.

*Moderators*

Cani Fernández *Cuatrecasas Gonçalves Pereira, Madrid; Senior Vice-Chair, IBA Antitrust Committee*

Jose Regazzini *TozziniFreire Advogados, Sao Paulo; Senior Vice-Chair, IBA Antitrust Committee*

*Speakers*

Jean François Bellis *Van Bael & Bellis, Brussels*

Kozo Kawai *Nishimura & Asahi, Tokyo*

Gerwin Van Gerven *Linklaters, Brussels*

Emily Roche *Senior Competition Lawyer, Rio Tinto, London*

1300 **Closing remarks by the Conference Co-Chairs**

**Continuing Professional Development/Continuing Legal Education**

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# Information

## Date

16 – 17 September 2011

## Venue

The St Regis Florence  
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E-mail: [stregisflorence@stregis.com](mailto:stregisflorence@stregis.com)

## Language

All working sessions and conference materials will be in English.

## How to register

Register online by **9 September** at [www.int-bar.org/conferences/conf382](http://www.int-bar.org/conferences/conf382) and make payment by credit card, to avail of the ten per cent online registration discount or complete the attached registration form and return it to Philippa Burke at the IBA together with your payment. You should receive e-mailed confirmation of your registration within five days; if you do not then please contact Philippa Burke at [philippa.burke@int-bar.org](mailto:philippa.burke@int-bar.org).

## Fees

Online registrations received:

	on or before 5 August	after 5 August until 9 September
IBA member	€870	€975
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Public lawyers	€650	€1145
Corporate counsel	€785	€1145
Guest	€45	€45

After **9 September** registrations must be received in hard copy at the IBA office.

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Young lawyers (under 30 years)	€725	€1270
Academics/judges (full time)	€725	€1270
Public lawyers	€725	€1270
Corporate counsel	€870	€1270
Guest	€45	€45

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- 3) Pay the member rate for any subsequent conference registrations for this calendar year.
- 4) Take advantage of IBA Special Offers.

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- Access to the above conference working materials from the IBA website ([www.ibanet.org](http://www.ibanet.org)) approximately seven days prior to the conference
- Lunch on Friday 16 September
- Tea and coffee during breaks
- Invitation to reception on Friday 16 September

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Deluxe double room €484

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Premium deluxe supplement on request €77

The above rates are per room, per night and exclusive of VAT, inclusive of buffet breakfast.

#### Grand Hotel Minerva

Single: €245

Double: €270

The above rates are per room, per night and inclusive of VAT and breakfast.

**Please note a tourism tax of €4 per person per night will be applicable.**

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#### JLC

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E-mail: [esther@judylaneconsulting.com](mailto:esther@judylaneconsulting.com)

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# Registration form

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### Personal details *(Please attach your business card or write in block capitals)*

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IBA membership number *(if applicable)* \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Firm/company/organisation \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Tel \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

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Guest name \_\_\_\_\_

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Tel \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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### Accommodation requirements

Arrival date \_\_\_\_\_ Departure date \_\_\_\_\_

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Deluxe double single use €413

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Arno view supplement on request €88

Premium deluxe supplement on request €77

Smoking

#### Grand Hotel Minerva

Single: €245

Double: €270

Non-smoking

Special requirements \_\_\_\_\_

*(We will do our best to accommodate these requests but cannot make any guarantees.)*

### Accommodation guarantee

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# International Bar Association

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The **International Bar Association** (IBA), established in 1947, is the world's leading organisation of international legal practitioners, bar associations and law societies. The IBA influences the development of international law reform and shapes the future of the legal profession throughout the world. It has a membership of over 40,000 lawyers and almost 200 bar associations and law societies spanning all continents. It has considerable expertise in providing assistance to the global legal community as well as being a source of distinguished legal commentators for international news outlets.

Grouped into two divisions – the **Legal Practice Division** and the **Public and Professional Interest Division** – the IBA covers all practice areas and professional interests, providing members with access to leading experts and up-to-date information. Through the various committees of the divisions, the IBA enables an interchange of information and views among its members as to laws, practices and professional responsibilities relating to the practice of business law around the globe. Additionally, the IBA's high-quality publications and world-class conferences provide unrivalled professional development and network-building opportunities for international legal practitioners and professional associates.

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The Antitrust Committee provides an international forum for the exchange of the most current thinking in the field of antitrust law. In addition, there is a strong commitment to bring together international practitioners to facilitate closer working relationships. The committee is increasingly relied upon by government officials and members of the private sector for its expertise and practical input into antitrust developments.

The Antitrust Committee forms working groups to study major international competition policy issues and to submit comments to regulators on proposed new and reformed legislation.

The Antitrust Committee works with the following committees to form the Antitrust and Trade Law Section:

- Global Forum for Competition and Trade Policy
- Trade and Customs Law Committee

### **European Regional Forum overview**

The European Regional Forum was established in 1989 to provide a focus originally on the work undertaken by the IBA in developing the practice under changing legal systems of lawyers in Eastern and Central Europe. The Forum was also intended to act as a channel for IBA communication with the bar associations of these local lawyers.

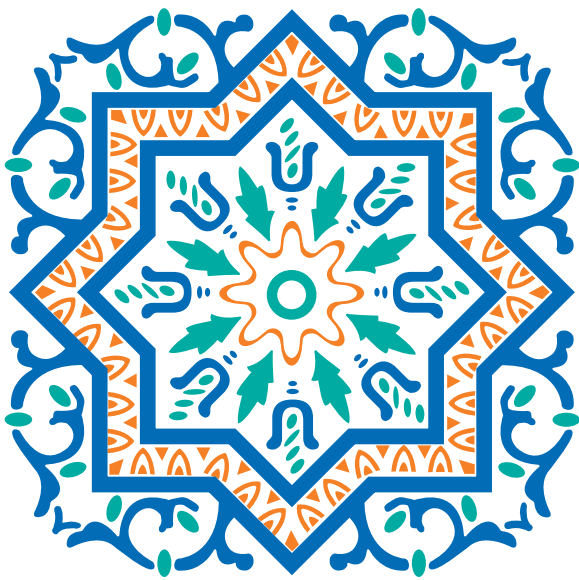
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## What will Dubai 2011 offer?

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