

3rd E.CA Competition Law and Economics Expert Forum: Digital Dominance

Expert Forum on “Digital Dominance: How to Deal with Internet Giants?” Hotel Le Châtelain, Brussels

This conference offers an overview of and insight into the recent developments in competition law and economics in the digital economy. The focus of this conference is on the emerging market power of large Internet-based platforms in media, search and online distribution and on the competition policy issues this raises. To what extent are the traditional competition rules, for example, in relation to the assessment of dominance and foreclosure, still relevant in this context? How concerned should one be about the build-up of new ‘dominant’ positions? What are the remedies? Can the integrity of antitrust policy be upheld in a complex context where other public policy issues (privacy, industrial policy) also receive a lot of attention? A diverse set of speakers with in-depth knowledge on the subject will give their views and enter the debate.

14.00 – 14.30 **Registration and coffee**

14.30 – 14.40 **Welcoming remarks**
Rainer NITSCHÉ
Managing Director, E.CA Economics

14.40 – 15.10 **Digital Dominance**
Keynote address: Andreas MUNDT
President, German Bundeskartellamt

15.10 – 16.30 **Panel I – How Can You Tell There is Dominance and Harm in Digital?**
Chair: Hans W. FRIEDERISZICK
Managing Director, E.CA Economics and Research Fellow, ESMT

Panellists:

Paul HEIDHUES, *Professor of Economics, Director of PhD Studies, ESMT*

Robert MAHNKE, *Global Competition Counsel, eBay*

Thomas VINJE, *Partner, Clifford Chance*

Mike WALKER, *Chief Economic Adviser, Competition and Markets Authority (CMA)*

Andreas WIELE, *President Marketing and Classified Ad Models, Axel Springer*

16.30 – 17.00 **Coffee break**

17.00 – 18.20 **Panel II – Remedies: Is There Anything We Can Do About It?**

Chair: Vincent VEROUDEN

Director, E.CA Economics

Panellists:

Julia HOLTZ, *Director, Competition, Google*

Thomas KRAMLER, *Deputy Head of Unit, European Commission, DG Competition*

David WALSH, *General Counsel, GSMA*

Achim WAMBACH, *Member of the German Monopolkommission*

Lars WIETHAUS, *Director, E.CA Economics*

18.20 **Champagne reception**

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