

## WORKSHOP ON ABUSE OF DOMINANCE: EXPLOITATIVE PRACTICES, PRICING ABUSES AND OTHER

Budapest, Hungary, 4-7 December 2007

### WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES

This workshop will discuss issues concerning competition authorities regarding the application of competition law in cases of abuse of dominance. The general focus of the workshop will be on the correct methodology to assess exploitative practices and pricing abuses.

The first part of the workshop will deal with the concept of abuse of dominance and how does it relate to exploitative practices. We will also discuss and present the appropriate methodology to assess pricing abuses like excessive pricing and predatory pricing. We will then describe and analyse some pricing abuses cases and focus on the methodology employed by the authorities. We will finalize the workshop with a special session on one of the most topical EC abuse of dominance cases, recently upheld by the Court of First Instance in Luxembourg: The Microsoft case.

### DRAFT AGENDA

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#### Tuesday 4 December

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| 09.30-09.45 | Welcome and opening remarks ( <i>Andrea Belényi, GVH</i> )   |
| 09.45-10.30 | Introduction: Types of abuses and how to analyse them ( <i>João Pearce Azevedo, OECD</i> )                           |
| 10.30-11.30 | Predation by reputation: The Glaxo Case, an effects based analysis ( <i>Anne Perrot, Conseil de la Concurrence</i> ) |
| 11.30-11.45 | Coffee Break   |
| 11.45-12.45 | Predation cases in the Hungarian market ( <i>László Szakadát, GVH</i> )  |

12.45-14.00	Lunch
14.00-14.45	Country experience: Albania
14.45-15.30	Country experience: Armenia
15:30-15:45	Coffee break
15:45-16:30	Country experience: Azerbaijan
16.30-17.15	Country experience: Bulgaria
19.00	Reception Dinner in the restaurant

### Wednesday, 5 December

09.30-10.30	Economic principles in assessing pricing abuses: Excessive pricing and predatory pricing ( <i>João Pearce Azevedo, OECD</i> )
10.30-11.30	Excessive pricing cases in the Hungarian market ( <i>László Szakadát, GVH</i> )
11:30-11:45	Coffee Break
11.45-12.45	The tricky issues of exploitative abuse: The case of jet-fuel at Vie International Airport ( <i>Rainer Kaltenbrunner, Bundeswettbewerbsbehörde</i> )
12.45-14.00	Lunch
14:00-14.45	Country experience: Ukraine
14.45-15.30	Country experience: Moldova
15.30-15.45	Coffee break
15.45-16.30	Country experience: Montenegro
16.30-17.15	Country experience: Croatia

## Thursday, 6 December

09.30-10.30	What is an excessive price? The approach of the UK Courts in British Horseracing Board Ltd vs. Attheraces Limited ( <i>Peter Lukascz, Office of Fair Trading</i> )
10.30-11.15	Country experience: Bosnia and Herzegovina
11.15-11.30	Coffee break
11.30-12.45	The Commission Decision and the CFI judgment in the Microsoft case ( <i>Thomas Kramler, DG-COMP</i> )
12.45-14.00	Lunch
14.00-14.45	Country experience: The Russian Federation
14.45-15.30	Country experience: Romania
15.30-15.45	Coffee Break
15.45-16.30	Country experience: Serbia
16.30-17.00	Seminar conclusions

## Friday, 7 December

Sightseeing in Budapest