

Workshop for Competition Authorities on Methodologies to measure market competition

 23 February 2021  16:00 – 18:45

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AGENDA

A perceived reduction of the intensity of competition has been used by some to criticise competition authorities and to propose radical changes to competition law systems. The ability to reliably measure, track and compare the competitive intensity of a market would be an extremely valuable key metric to competition authorities and other policymakers to inform decision-making. The fact that competition is a complex notion, and therefore not directly observable, has resulted in the development of numerous methods to capture and measure the degree of competition in markets over the years. Such methods, which vary in complexity and reliability, provide indicators often used to measure the intensity of competition. These indicators can provide useful information but present limitations and careful interpretation is generally necessary, in particular when taken in isolation.

The agenda for the workshop will be split into two parts: (i) an overview covering objectives, methodologies and data to measure market competition; and (ii) competition authorities' experience measuring market competition. The workshop will consist of a series of presentations by experts and by several jurisdictions, followed by question and answer sessions that will allow participants to gain a better understanding of the challenges in measuring market competition, and to share their own experiences.

PART I: Overview – objectives, methodologies, and data to measure market competition

16:00 – 16:10	Welcome and opening remarks by the Secretariat
16:10 – 16:20	Presentation by John Davies, Executive Vice President, Compass Lexecon , on why measure market competition including the different purposes and how this influences the way to measure market competition.
16:20 – 16:35	Presentation by Stephen Davies, Professor of Economics, University of East Anglia, UK on types of methodologies to measure market competition and key issues.
16:35 – 16:45	Presentation by Chiara Criscuolo, Head of Division, STI, OECD , on OECD databases and measures of competition.
16:45 – 17:00	Discussion on the presentations by the panellists and questions from the floor

PART II: Competition authorities experience in measuring market competition

17:00 – 17:15	Presentation by Norway on measuring the intensity of competition in the Norwegian economy
17:15 – 17:25	Discussion of the presentation by the panel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Davies

- Stephen Davies
- Chiara Criscuolo

Interventions from the floor

17:25 – 17:35

Presentation by Brazil (CADE) on their experience on measuring market competition

Discussion of the presentation by the panel:

17:35 – 17:45

- John Davies
- Stephen Davies
- Chiara Criscuolo

Interventions from the floor

17:45– 18:00

Presentation by the UK FCA on measuring competition in UK retail banking sector and the use of profitability measures.

Discussion of the presentation by the panel:

18:00 – 18:10

- John Davies
- Stephen Davies
- Chiara Criscuolo

Interventions from the floor

18:10 – 18:25

Presentation by EU, DG Comp on the application of different measures of market competition for competition policy enforcement and advocacy.

Discussion of the presentation by the panel:

18:25 – 18:35

- John Davies
- Stephen Davies
- Chiara Criscuolo

Interventions from the floor

CLOSING REMARKS

18:35 – 18:45

Final comments from the floor

Closing remarks by Antonio Capobianco, Acting Head, Competition Division, OECD