



## WHO WE ARE

The ICC Commission on Competition ensures that business needs and the realities of markets are taken into account in the formulation and implementation of competition laws and policies. It also identifies key issues in competition policy facing the international business community and contributes the business voice to debates to resolve these.

The Commission brings together over 300 leading experts in the field of Antitrust from 42 countries, working together to develop cutting-edge policy for business. As such, the Commission is recognized as a venue for exchange and innovation, and regularly shares the voice of business on antitrust issues with intergovernmental forums such as the European Commission, ICN, OECD as well as national antitrust regulators.

The Commission, through its different task forces (established for a limited period to carry out specific projects), has prepared policy products, including statements to shape intergovernmental discussions, as well as tools to facilitate international business transactions, in the following areas:

compliance and advocacy, premerger control regimes, due process, cartels and leniency, technology transfer and the International Competition Network (ICN).

The Commission meets twice a year in plenary, usually:

- in February, in conjunction with the BIAC/OECD meetings in Paris;
- in September, in conjunction with the Fordham Conference in New York; and
- carries out work throughout the year in its issue-specific task forces.

## CURRENT PRIORITIES

- Promote the ICC Antitrust Compliance Toolkit and SME
- Organize the 8th ICC-International Competition Network (ICN) roundtable at the ICN Annual Conference
- Develop recommendations on best practices for the creation and reform of specific merger control regimes and advocate them with the relevant public authorities, including COMESA
- Complete update of ICC paper on Due Process in EU Antitrust Proceedings
- Update the ICC Recommended Framework for International Best Practices in Competition Law Enforcement Proceedings
- Finalize recommendations on the improvement of the European Competition Network (ECN) Model Leniency Programme
- Enhance the collaboration between ICC and the antitrust community in Asia by roundtable discussions

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## RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS & PUBLICATIONS

### ▪ **The ICC Antitrust Compliance Toolkit and SME version**

Designed by business for business, the ICC Toolkit provides practical antitrust tools for SMEs and larger companies wishing to build or reinforce a robust compliance programme. Launched in April 2013 at the 5th ICC Roundtable on Competition Policy in Warsaw, the ICC Toolkit has become an internationally recognized benchmark for compliance initiatives. Practical workshops based on this publication have been organized in 9 countries already: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, France, Malaysia, Netherlands, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, and the United States. An SME-specific version was released in April 2015 to help smaller businesses understand why complying with competition law makes good business sense.

### ▪ **ICC Roundtables on Competition Policy**

Each year, the ICC Commission on Competition organizes a roundtable on competition policy in conjunction with the ICN annual conference on issues that could have implications not only for the work of the ICN but for competition law and policies as a whole. Previous Roundtables have been held in Australia, Austria, Turkey, the Netherlands, Brazil, Poland, and Morocco. The 2016 Roundtable will take place in Singapore.

The Commission has also published papers regarding:

- revised block exemption for technology transfer agreements
- competition concerns on the use of standard essential patents
- proposals for more effective EU merger control
- general principles applying to collective redress
- reform of the Hart-Scott-Rodino premerger filing requirements
- review of rules applicable to horizontal co-operation agreements

\* Copies of these documents and others are available on our website at:

<http://www.iccwbo.org/about-icc/policy-commissions/competition/>

## CURRENT LEADERSHIP

- **Paul Lugard**, Chair  
Baker Botts LLP (Belgium)
- **Michael Blechman**, Vice-Chair  
Kaye Scholer (United States)
- **Patrick Hubert**, Vice-Chair  
Clifford Chance Europe (France)
- **Anne Riley**, Vice-Chair  
Shell International (United Kingdom)

## HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER

There are two ways to become a member of the ICC Commission on Competition:

- By affiliation through an ICC National Committee or Group (please consult [ICC website](#) to find the National Committee in your country).
- By direct membership through the ICC International Secretariat if a National Committee or Group has not yet been established in your country or territory.