

NEW CHAMPIONS: COMPETITION OR POLITICS

10.00

Registration

PANEL 1 – European Champions: do we need them?

Pablo Ibáñez Colomo Professor at the London School of Economics and the College of Europe, Author of *Chillin'Competition*

Bojana Ignjatovic Partner at RBB Economics

10.30 – 12.00

Niklas Maydell

Counsel at Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton

Rubén Maximiano

Senior Competition Expert at OECD

Caroline Tixier

European Commission, DG Competition, Mergers Unit

12.00 – 13.00

Lunch

PANEL 2 – Digital Champions: who should control them?

Miguel Pérez Guerra Competition Counsel at Google

Alfonso Lamadrid

Partner at Garrigues, Author of *Chillin'Competition*

Philip Marsden

Counsel at CRA, EDMC Deputy Chair at the Bank of England, Professor at the College of Europe

13.00 – 14.30

Agustín Reyna

Head of Legal and Economic Affairs at the European Consumer Organisation

Irene Sewczyk

Rapporteur of the *Facebook* decision at the Bundeskartellamt

14.30

Drinks and reception

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DISCUSSION TOPICS

This year's topic is “**New champions: competition or politics?**”. The first panel is inspired by the debate on the prohibited *Siemens/Alstom* merger under the title of “**European champions: do we need them?**” The panel will explore what kind of political influence is needed in European merger control. The title of the second panel is “**Digital champions: Who should control them?**” It focuses on the interaction between competition law, data and consumer protection against the background of recent cases such as *Bundeskartellamt vs Facebook*.

ORGANISATION

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Organized by the students of the College's ELEA option

The ELEA option highlights the interaction and interdependence between the European Economic Studies and European Legal Studies departments in the areas of competition and market regulation. It is composed of students from both fields who aim to cooperate to analyse law and policy-making in the EU.

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