

19th ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE GCLC

ARTICLE 102 TFEU – PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE

1-2 March 2024

Bruges

The GCLC's Annual Conference for 2024 is revisiting Article 102 TFEU. Almost 20 years after our seminal 2005 conference that gave impetus to the European Commission's work in that area, the GCLC hopes that the 2024 conference will equally prove influential and helpful to the Commission, while the latter is preparing draft Guidelines on exclusionary abuses. The conference is not limited to questions relating to abuse but also deals with market definition and dominance. Likewise, it does not limit itself to exclusionary abuses but also extends to exploitative and discriminatory practices.

For the first time, we will have a student or assistant from the College of Europe participate in each panel as the "voice of the College" and express the younger generations views on each topic at the outset of the panel discussion and presentations.

DAY 1 – 1 March 2024 09:00-17:30

08:30-09:30 *Registration*

09:00-09:10 Welcome Address

Rector, College of Europe, **Federica Mogherini**

09:10-09:20 Presentation of the Conference

Assimakis Komninos (GCLC)

09:20-10:00 Commissioner's speech

Executive Vice-President **Margrethe Vestager**

GCLC Best Thesis Award

10:00-11:40 First Panel: Article 102 TFEU: Achievements and failures

Moderator

Denis Waelbroeck (GCLC)

Speakers

Pablo Ibanez Colomo (LSE)

Jorge Padilla (Compass Lexecon)

Fernando Castillo de la Torre (European Commission)

Vanessa Turner (BEUC)

Voice of the College: **Bettina James**

11:40-12:00 Coffee break

12:00-13:20 Second Panel: Article 102 TFEU - historical context and intellectual driving forces

Moderator

Jacques Derenne (GCLC)

Speakers

Luc Gyselen (Arnold & Porter)

Deni Mantzari (UCL)

Sir Philip Lowe (Oxera)

Voice of the College: **Álvaro Salgado**

13:20-14:20 Lunch

14:20-15:50 Third Panel: Objectives of Article 102 TFEU and general framework of analysis

Moderator

Bernd Meyring (GCLC)

Speakers

Liza Gormsen (BIICL)

Luc Peepkorn (Brussels School of Competition)

Linsey McCallum (European Commission)

Voice of the College: **Kristian Kues**

15:50-16:10 Coffee break

**16:10-17:30 Fourth Panel: Market definition and dominance:
new challenges**

Moderator

Adina Clai Ci (GCLC)

Speakers

Magali Eben (Glasgow)

Mike Walker (CMA)

Thomas Buettner (European Commission)

Voice of the College: **Clara Chambrey**

DAY 2 – 2 March 2024 09:00-13:30

**09:00-10:20 Fifth Panel: The Court of Justice and Article 102
TFEU**

Moderator

Damien Gerard (GCLC)

Speakers

Fabien Zivy (CJEU)

Krystyna Kowalik-Banczyk (GC)

Giorgio Monti (University of Tilburg)

Voice of the College: **Rodrigo Gonçalves**

**10:20-11:50 Sixth Panel: Categorisation and the treatment of
individual abuses**

Moderator

Ekaterina Rousseva (GCLC)

Speakers

Christian Ahlborn (Covington)

Damien Neven (University of Geneva)

Max Kadar (European Commission)

Alfonso Lamadrid (Garrigues)

Voice of the College: **Georgia Theodorakopoulou**

11:50-12:10 Coffee break

12:10-13:30 Seventh Panel: The interaction between Article 102 TFEU and the old and the new regulatory regimes

Moderator

José Rivas (GCLC)

Speakers

Alexandre de Streel (University of Namur, CERRE)

Rita Wezeembek (European Commission)

Inge Graef (University of Tilburg)

Voice of the College: **Dimitris Nikolaidis**

13:30-13:40 Conclusions

Ekaterina Rousseva (GCLC)