This year’s symposium focuses on the topic of "**Competition Law and Regulation**" with three different panel discussions on the following issues:

**Panel 1:** Exploitative abuse under Art. 102 TFEU
Which lessons can be drawn from the UK CMA’s cases on excessive pricing in the pharmaceutical sector and AG WAHL’s opinion in Case C-177/16?

**Panel 2:** Standard setting after Huawei and Unwired Planet
What is the role of competition law in regulating standard essential patents?

**Panel 3:** Competition law and product design
Is it possible to walk the tightrope between effective competition law enforcement and undue interference in design choices?

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Programme

9:30 – 9.45  Opening Speech
Professor Inge Govaere, Professor Phedon Nicolaides

9:45 – 11:15  Panel 1: Exploitative abuse under Art. 102 TFEU
Speakers: Professor Alexander De Strel – Centre on Regulation in Europe, Mr Luca Prete – European Court of Justice & Professor Mike Walker

11:15 – 11:30  Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:30  Panel 2: Standard setting after Huawei and Unwired Planet
Speakers: Mr Jean-Marc Leclerc – IBM & Mr Miguel Rato – Partner at Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan

12:30 – 13:30  Lunch Break

13:30 – 14:30  Panel 3: Competition law and product design
Speaker: Professor Pablo Ibáñez Colomo

14:30 – 15:30  Reception