

Competition Law & Technology (platforms and e-commerce)

University of Valencia Law School

24th – 26th March 2022

Thursday 24th March

16:00-16:30 Registration

16: 30 Opening ceremony

Justice Pilar de la Oliva. Chairman of the Valencia Supreme Court.

Prof. Dr. Javier Palao. Dean of the Law Faculty.

Prof. Dr. Juan Ignacio Ruiz Peris. Manager of the DEFCOMCOURT 5 Project.

17:00 Opening conference: “Digital markets and the Digital Market Act ”

Speaker: Prof. Dr. Juan Ignacio Ruiz Peris. Commercial law professor. (UEG)

17:30 Coffee break

18:00 Panel 1 “Regulation and competition in the digital platforms economy”

- Regulatory analysis of the digital platform intermediation models.

Speaker: Ass. Prof. Dr. Andrés Boix, Administrative law associated professor. (UEG)

- Analysis of the provision of services mediated by digital platforms.

Speaker: Justice David Ordoñez Solís. (Administrative Judge nº 4 Oviedo.)

- Regulated markets and unfair competition: the European case law on the digital platforms model

Speaker: Justice Alberto Arribas. (Court of Appeals Madrid).

20:00 Cocktail

Friday 25th March

9:30 Panel 2 “Main challenges of the enforcement of competition law in the digital platforms market”

- Challenges in the determination of the relevant market in the different business models of digital platforms.

Speaker:

- Market power analysis of digital platforms.

Speaker: Ass. Prof. Dr. Inge Graef, (Tilburg University)

- Dominance in the data as a competitive advantage.

Speaker: Justice Santiago Soldevila (National Court of Appeals. Former European General Court of Justice member)

11:30 Coffee break

12:00 Panel 3 “Main restrictive practices in the digital platforms arena (i)”

- "Online platforms and abuse of economic dependence".

Speaker: Prof. Dr. Carmen Estevan de Quesada (UVEG)

- Most-favored-nation clauses and non-discrimination clauses in digital platforms [American Express, Mastercard, Apple E-books, Amazon].

Speaker: Prof. Dr. Pinar Akman. (University of Leeds).

- Artificial intelligence (AI) and algorithm collusion.

Speaker: Justice Enrique Sanjuan (Court of Appeals Málaga).

14:00 Lunch

16:00 Panel 4 “Main restrictive practices in the digital platforms arena (ii)”

- The case law on restrictive agreements in the credit-card market.

Speaker: Justice Ignacio Sancho Gargallo. (Supreme Court of the Kingdom of Spain).

- Vertical restrictions in the activity of the platforms.

Speaker: Ass. Prof. Dr. Jaime Martí i Miravalls. (UVEG)

- The eventual safe harbors for intra-platform agreements.

Speaker: Prof. Dr. Francisco Gonzalez Castilla. (UVEG)

21:00 Dinner

Saturday 26st March

11:00 Panel 5 “The modern monopolies: market power and abuse in the digital economy”.

- Concentration trends in the digital platforms’ economy: elements for the analysis of the market power of platforms.

Speaker: To be confirmed. Representative of the Commission we will invite the Deputy Director –General EU Commission DG Comp. Mergers.

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- Abuse of dominance in the digital platforms: exploitative conducts

Speaker: Asst. Prof. Dr. Carmen Rodilla. (UVEG)

13:00 Closing ceremony

14:00 Spanish Wine