

Introduction of Speakers

COMPETITION FLASH (DECISIONS OF COMPETITION AUTHORITIES AND COURTS AND LEGISLATION)

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Andrej Králik earned his law degrees from Comenius University in Bratislava (Master of Law), Stockholm University (Master in EU Law, summa cum laude) and Trnava University (PhD.). He completed his education at the Duke-Geneva Institute of Transnational Law and universities in Florence and Moscow. He began to practise law in 2000 in Slovakia with focus on international M&A, commercial law and intellectual property law. In 2004-2007 he worked at the Boards of Appeal in the Office for Harmonisation of the Internal Market in Alicante. From 2007 to 2011 he worked in DG Competition in the area of antitrust enforcement. He is currently employed at the Representation of the European Commission in Slovakia. Since 2000 he has been a lecturer in EU law

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Radoslav Tóth

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Radoslav Tóth je podpredsedom Protimonopolného úradu SR od júla 2012. Predtým pôsobil v advokátskej kancelárii LAWCORP, s. r. o., kde sa v rámci svojej advokátskej praxe venoval najmä súťažnému právu a medzinárodným Radoslav Tóth has been a Vice-chairman of the Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic since July 2012. Prior to his current appointment he worked at the law firm LAWCORP, s. r. o., where he predominantly focused on competition law and international transactions. He graduated from the Faculty of Law at Comenius University in Bratislava (2002, Master's degree; 2005, JUDr.) and from the London School of Economics, Great Britain (2007, LL.M.). As a guest lecturer Radoslav Tóth lectures on Competition Law at the Faculty of Law at Comenius University in Bratislava.

Michal Petr

Czech Competition Authority



Michal Petr has worked for the Czech Competition Authority since 2003. In 2010, he was appointed Vice-Chairman responsible for competition law enforcement. He graduated from the Faculty of Law at Palacky University in Olomouc and Masaryk University in Brno. Before his current appointment, he worked as Director of the Legislation and International Affairs Section and as a chairman of the appellate commission of the Authority. He was responsible for the amendments of the Protection of Competition Act related to accession of the Czech Republic to the EU, revision of the leniency programme or delimitation of competences of the Competition Authority and sector regulators. He lectures competition law at Masaryk University in Brno and Palacky University in Olomouc. He authored and co-authored numerous publications on competition law and due process issues and is a member of the editorial board of the Revue of Competition Law magazine.

EXCHANGE OF SENSITIVE INFORMATION AND “HUB & SPOKE” CARTELS

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Peter Demčák graduated from the Comenius University in Bratislava (2002). He worked for the Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic since 2006 as a director of the Legislative, Legal and European Affairs Division where he primarily focused on assessing competition cases and decision-making process, he also represented the Office in the judicial review proceedings and was involved in the competition advocacy matters. In 2012 he joined an international law firm as a specialist for competition law and regulation. In 2013 he was appointed a director of Cartel Division at the Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic. He is an author of number of articles on competition law and contributes with presentations at various conferences.

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Dorota Dudek graduated from the Faculty of Law and Administration of the University of Maria Curie Skłodowska in Lublin. She has also completed studies on American law at the Centre on American Law, a two-year course organized by the Catholic University of Lublin in cooperation with the Chicago-Kent College of Law. In 2013 she became a member of Warsaw Bar of Legal Advisors. Since 2006 she has been working for the Office of Competition and Consumer Protection in Warsaw where she has been a case-handler in numerous cases (on anticompetitive agreements as well as on abuse of dominant position).

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REMEDIES IN MERGER CONTROL

Erika Lovásová

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Erika Lovásová graduated from the Faculty of Law at Comenius University in Bratislava, where she started to focus on the area of competition protection. She has worked for the Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic since 2003 mainly within the Second Instance Proceedings Division. Currently she works as a director of the Division of Concentrations which is responsible for mergers and acquisitions agenda. She contributed with presentations at various conferences.

Viktor Porubský

Directorate General for Competition, European Commission



Viktor Porubský is working in DG COMP's team entrusted with providing legal and analytical guidance in merger cases and policy. He joined DG Competition in 2006 where he has worked on numerous high-level merger cases. He is regularly lecturing on merger-related issues internally in DG COMP, and participating in the Merger Working Group with national competition authorities. Prior to joining the European Commission he worked in the law-firms Linklaters and WilmerHale in Brussels, dealing predominantly with EU competition matters. Mr. Porubský holds an LL.M degree from K.U. Leuven (magna cum laude), an M.B.A. from Université Jean-Moulin in Lyon, and a master's degree in law from Comenius University in Bratislava. He also pursued complementary scholarship programs at the Centre Européen Universitaire - Université Nancy 2 and at the University of Vienna.

Martin Nedelka

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Martin Nedelka is an attorney and a partner in the Bratislava and the Prague office of the law firm Nedelka Kubáč advokáti, which is highly specialised in the areas of Slovak, Czech, and EU competition law, regulatory matters, public procurement and compliance. He studied law in Prague, Regensburg, and Dublin. Martin Nedelka is a member of the Slovak Bar Association, Czech Bar Association and Brussels Bar. He is also a member of the editorial board of the Czech and Slovak revue of competition law Antitrust.

Maria Ulfvensjö Baltatzis

Swedish Competition Authority



Maria Ulfvensjö Baltatzis, Competition Counsellor and Head of Merger Function, Cartels and Mergers Unit, Swedish Competition Authority. Maria Ulfvensjö Baltatzis started her career with the Swedish Competition Ombudsman (1986-1991), a small predecessor to the Swedish Competition Authority of today. In 1992, Maria left for the private telecommunications business, where she worked mainly with telecommunications policy, regulatory affairs and interconnect negotiations. In 2000, Maria joined the Swedish Competition Authority. Until 2006, her main focus was on infringements of the Swedish Competition Act in the telecommunications markets. From 2003 she was responsible for the authority's contacts with the National Post and Telecommunications Agency in relation to the EC Electronic Communications Framework. From 2006, Maria's focus has been on merger control and she leads the Merger Function within the authority, including coordination of resources, process of investigation, quality management and decision taking in phase 1. She is a member of the EU Merger Working Group and the Swedish Competition Authority's contact person for the ICN Mergers Working Group.

ASSESSMENT OF BUYER POWER AND ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY IN COMPETITION POLICY

Peter Silanič

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Peter Silanič has been working for The Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak republic in the team of the Chief economist since November 2012. In July 2013 he became a director this division. Prior to joining the Antimonopoly Office, he worked as a researcher at The Institute for Forecasting of the Slovak Academy of Sciences. He completed his university studies in the field of economics and economic policy in 2004–2009 at the University of Economics in Bratislava. He also completed his PhD. studies here with specialisation on use of quantitative methods in the area of regulation. He obtained Master's degree in the field of economic and financial mathematics at the Faculty of Mathematics, Physics and Informatics of Comenius University in Bratislava. While working for the Antimonopoly Office he participated in the courses on Quantitative Methods for Competition Analysis and Competition Economics: Abuse of Dominance at Graduate School of Economics in Barcelona.

Josef Bejček

Masaryk University, Brno



He held the function of a dean of the Faculty of Law at Masaryk University in Brno in 1995 - 2001. Currently he is a head of Commercial Law department at the same faculty. He has been called upon as an expert witness in numerous important international arbitrations. He has been a member of the Appeal Commission of the Czech Competition Authority since its establishment and he has also taken part in the work of many committees contributing to the drafting of new legislation (e.g. Civil Code, the Act on Protection of Competition, and the Public Procurement Act). He works as an arbiter of the Arbitration Court attached to the Czech Chamber of Commerce and the Czech Agrarian Chamber. Professor Bejček has been and still is a member of several scientific councils. He worked in accreditation commissions of the

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Directorate General for Competition, European Commission



Renckens graduated as Commercial Engineer in 2004, and obtained the diploma Master of Science in Economics, with a specialization in Industrial Organization, at the University of Leuven in 2005. She holds a PhD in Applied Economics (University of Antwerp, May 2008). As part of her research agenda on the economics of competition policy she did internships at the Directorate General for Competition of the European Commission (2005-2006) and at RBB Economics (2007). From May 2008 until June 2010 she has been working for RBB Economics, advising clients on the economics of competition law. In June 2010 she joined the European Commission where she started as desk officer for Belgium in the Directorate

General for Economic and Financial Affairs (DG ECFIN), and where she currently works as an economist in the Directorate General for Competition (DG COMP). An is a member of DG COMP's Food Task Force (established in 2012), dealing with competition issues in the food supply chain in Europe.