

Registration & Refreshments

08:30 - 09:00

Chair's Welcome and Introduction

09:00 - 09:10

Participants

Erik Brandt Ofverholm - Partner, DLA Piper Sweden

A View from the Commission

09:10 - 09:50

Regulatory & Policy Update

Participants

Anna Vernet - Head of Unit, DG Competition, European Commission (Belgium)

NCA's Roundtable: Review of Recent Developments and What is Next on the Horizon?

09:50 - 10:50

Regulatory & Policy Update

- Updates from each of the jurisdictions on key developments over the last 12 months and priorities for the year ahead
- Impact of ECN+
- Update on enforcement powers
- Cooperation between the authorities across the Nordic region

Participants

Michael Klöcker - Partner, DLA Piper (Denmark)

Rikard Jermsten - Director General, Swedish Competition Authority (Sweden)

Jakob Hald - Director General, Danish Competition and Consumer Authority (Denmark)

Timo Mattila - Deputy Director General, Finnish Competition and Consumer Authority (Finland)

Kjell Sunnevåg - Director of External Relations, Norwegian Competition Authority (Norway)

Páll Gunnar Pálsson - Director General, Icelandic Competition Authority (Iceland)

Morning Coffee Break

10:50 - 11:20

Regulatory & Policy Update

Competition Law & Regulated Industries

11:20 - 12:10

Regulatory & Policy Update

- What is the relationship between national competition authorities and sectoral regulators?
- Update on developments in the telecoms, transport, energy and other regulated sectors
- Norway's approach to grocery sector
- Who should investigate, what?
- Review of recent decisions

Participants

Henrik Okholm - Partner, Copenhagen Economics

Sigurd Birkeland - Leader of the Competition Authority's Project Grocery, Norwegian Competition Authority (Norway)

Networking Lunch Break

12:10 - 13:10

Sustainability & Competition Law

13:10 - 14:00

Horizontals, Information Exchange, Consortia & Cartels

- Sustainability as efficiency
- Sustainability and horizontal guidelines review
- DG Comp's and NCA approaches to sustainability
- Practical implications for corporates

Participants

Mikko Huimala - Partner, Hannes Snellman (Sweden)

Eleonora Skaffari-Väisänen - SVP, Legal and Regulatory Affairs, Forest Division, Stora Enso (Finland)

Johan Nybergh - Chief Legal Officer, Vapo Oy (Finland)

Viljami Aarbakke - Legal Counsel, Fortum (Finland)

Sustainability & Competition: An Economist's Perspective

14:00 - 14:30

Horizontals, Information Exchange, Consortia & Cartels

- How to use economic evidence to assess sustainability issues
- How to balance sustainability against other EU objectives

Participants

Mindaugas Cerpickis - Managing Economist & Business Manager, Copenhagen Economics

Jasper Lutz - Analyst, Copenhagen Economics

Horizontal Cooperation & Information Exchange including the Risks of Trade Associations

14:30 - 15:20

Horizontals, Information Exchange, Consortia & Cartels

- Update on the proposals for the new horizontal guidelines
- Review of significant recent EU and national cases including Norwegian price hunter case and Danish Hugo Boss/Kauffman case
- How are the different national competition authorities in the region approaching horizontal cooperation and information exchange?
- Recent trade associations related guidance including update on fines
- What information and data can you share with competitors?
- Practical pointers to ensure compliance

Participants

Peter Forsberg - Partner, Hannes Snellman (Sweden)

Saara Vahvaselkä - Director, PwC (Finland)

Katrine Lapp - Deputy Head of Unit, Danish Competition and Consumer Authority (Denmark)

Eirikur Hauksson - General Counsel, Siminn (Iceland)

Karin Stakkestad Laastad - Legal Director, Norwegian Competition Authority (Norway)

Afternoon Coffee Break

15:20 - 15:45

Horizontals, Information Exchange, Consortia & Cartels

Update on Cartels including Stand Alone and Follow-on Damages Cases

15:45 - 16:30

Horizontals, Information Exchange, Consortia & Cartels

- Review of recent cartel cases in the region including consortia and joint bidding
- Update on stand-alone and follow-on damages cases
- Choosing a jurisdiction and forum for your case
- Passing on defence
- Disclosure
- Funding options
- Key practical considerations from claimants and defendants

Participants

Daniel Severinsson - Judge, Patent and Market Court / Stockholm District Court (Sweden)

Oliver Gannon - Economist, Deutsche Bahn AG (Germany)

Maarit Taurula - Director, Competition Enforcement 1, Finnish Competition and Consumer Authority (Finland)

SESSIONS

COMPETITION LAW NORDIC - DAY ONE AGENDA - 21/03/2022

Competition Law Nordic

21 & 22 March 2022
Stockholm, Sweden
Radisson Blu, Waterfront

Dawn Raids: What Powers Do the Authorities Have & How to Survive an Investigation

16:30 - 17:15

Dawn Raids & Compliance

- Dawn Raids: what powers do the authorities have?
- Dawn raids in the age of COVID-19: dawn raids on private homes
- Preparing a company for a dawn raid
- Practical tips for dealing with dawn raids
- Handling requests for information
- ECN+ and minimum standard of investigative tools
- What lessons can be learnt from recent cases
- How to secure the legal certainty and due process for corporates e.g. hearing officers etc
- What status do competition compliance programmes have with competition authorities?

Participants

Gjermund Mathisen - Director of Competition and State Aid, EFTA Surveillance Authority (Belgium)

Ian Rose - Vice-President, Compliance, Volvo Trucks

Chair's Closing Remarks & End of Day 1

17:15 - 17:20

Networking Drinks Reception

17:20 - 18:50

Join us for a networking drinks reception to meet fellow in-house lawyers from major multinational companies, regulators and leading competition practitioners from across the Nordic region - share practical experiences and build communities.

SCHEDULE

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Maria Wasastjerna - Partner, Hannes Snellman (Finland)

Merger Control: Developments in the Nordics

09:10 - 10:00

Merger Control & Foreign Direct Investment

- How are the authorities approaching mergers?
- Review of procedural developments including Finnish NCA's request to lower the notification thresholds, increase in the amount of phase II investigations and commitment decisions etc and authorities' stopping the clock and making M&A timings increasingly unpredictable
- Review of significant mergers and phase II investigations
- How to effectively engage with Nordic Authorities and the Commission?
- Practical challenges in the notification process including parallel notifications in the region
- Dealing with information requests
- Remedies

Participants

Michael Klöcker - Partner, DLA Piper (Denmark)

Erik Brandt Ofverholm - Partner, DLA Piper Sweden

Line Voldstad - Partner, Head of Regulatory, DLA Piper Norway

Mika Oinonen - Partner, Head of Competition and Regulatory, Finland, DLA Piper

New Issues in Merger Control: Article 22, Killer Acquisitions & Failing Firm Defence

10:00 - 10:50

Merger Control & Foreign Direct Investment

- The Commission's Communication on Guidance of referrals under Art. 22 EUMR
 - What is the Commission's rationale for the communication?
 - What will it mean for killer acquisitions?
 - How to manage this contractually?
 - Likely practical impact
 - Timing and execution risk for transactions
 - Lessons learnt from Illumina/Grail
- Norwegian and Swedish under the threshold rules
- Practical pointers for managing multijurisdictional mergers
- Merger control in dynamic markets: killer acquisitions and failing firm defence

Participants

Jacob Westin - Head of Legal, Nordics & EUCAN Competition Law Specialist, Takeda Pharmaceuticals (Sweden)

Andreas Reindl - Partner, Van Bael & Bellis (Belgium)

Pia Nyholm - Senior Legal Counsel, NESTE (Finland)

Morning Coffee Break

10:50 - 11:15

Merger Control & Foreign Direct Investment

Market Definition Review

11:15 - 11:45

Merger Control & Foreign Direct Investment

- How are Nordic competition authorities defining markets? Is there a difference in approaches?
- Are markets defined too narrowly? What does it mean for national champions?
- The role of economic analysis in merger control
- Theories of harm
- Burden and standard of proof

Economic Analysis of Mergers

11:45 - 12:10

Merger Control & Foreign Direct Investment

- Recent developments in the EC's economic analysis of merger
- Assessment of vertical mergers, what's new?
- Development on the role of efficiencies in EC merger control

Participants

Tuomas Haanperä - Managing Economist, Copenhagen Economics

Review of Foreign Investment Rules

12:10 - 13:00

Merger Control & Foreign Direct Investment

- EU FDI Screening regulation and the cooperation mechanism
- Denmark's new FDI screening mechanism: how is it being applied in practice?
- Proposals in Sweden

Participants

Stefan Amarasinha - Policy Officer - Desk Officer Technology and Security, FDI Screening, DG Trade, European Commission (Belgium)

Stefan Sagebro - Director - Competition and State Aid, Svenskt Näringsliv (Confederation of Swedish Enterprise)

Steffen Hindelang - Professor of International Investment and Trade Law, Uppsala University (Sweden)

Networking Lunch Break

13:00 - 14:00

Competition Law in Digital Markets

14:00 - 14:50

Competition Law in Digital Markets

- Review of the Digital Markets Act and other EU proposals for regulation of big tech companies
- How are the Nordic competition authorities approaching digital markets?
- The role of big data in merger control
- Algorithmic cartels and tacit collusion
- A look to the US: how are they approaching digital markets

Participants

Tero Louko - Senior Competition Counsel, Google (Belgium)

Martin Mandorff - Head of Unit, Abuse and Vertical Restraints, Swedish Competition Authority (Sweden)

Dina Lurje - Head of Legal, Nord Security (Lithuania)

Karl Samuelsson - Senior Legal Counsel, Trustly

The Economics of Competition in Digital Markets

14:50 - 15:15

Competition Law in Digital Markets

- Are all digital markets "Winner takes all"?
- How are theories of harm developing?
- Exploring the correlation between data and market power
- Innovation and non-price competition
- The economics of killer acquisition in the digital space

Afternoon Coffee Break

15:15 - 15:40

Competition Law in Digital Markets

Vertical Restraints: Update on the Vertical Block Exemption Regulation (VBER), Dual Distribution & Other Practical Challenges

15:40 - 16:30

Vertical Restraints

- Update on VBER: what is on the horizon?
- Dual distribution: what are the challenges?
- The Commission's Working Paper and proposals in the DMA: retailers as gatekeepers
- Review of recent cases including Danish Hugo Boss case
- How are the Nordic competition authorities approaching vertical restraints?
- How to ensure well-functioning e-commerce markets with sound competitive behaviour?
- The Norwegian Competition Authority's recent guidance on price discrimination
- Brexit: implications for supply chains interacting with the UK

Participants

Matthias Eisenbarth - Legal & Corporate Affairs
Director, Business Unit Central Europe, Anheuser-Busch InBev (Sweden)

Kaja Sandvig - Lawyer, Orkla (Norway)

Åsa Ericson Hedström - Vice President Legal, Fiskars Group (Denmark)

Chair's Closing Remarks & Close of Conference

16:30 - 16:40

SCHEDULE

COMPETITION LAW NORDIC - DAY TWO AGENDA - 22/03/2022

Competition Law Nordic

21 & 22 March 2022
Stockholm, Sweden
Radisson Blu, Waterfront

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