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## Competition Law & Policy training

**Webinar for consumer organisations**

**28 -29 June 2021 via ZOOM**

**Objective:** To bring BEUC member groups up to speed on competition law and new developments, and to facilitate building of relationships between consumer organisations and National Competition Authorities.

### How?

- Sharing effective and inspiring cases of cooperation between consumer organisations and NCA's (in particular the Greek and Dutch MoU models), and facilitate strategic planning for similar approaches to be initiated as follow up;
- Introducing members to basic concepts of competition law and their relevance for consumers and consumer organisations.
- Presenting and getting input to BEUC strategy on competition law and enforcement, to ensure the engagement of BEUC member groups.

\*All times are in Central European Time (CET)\*

### Day one (14:30 – 16:30 CET)

Time	Topic	Details / Objective	Led by
14:30 - 14:45	Welcoming	- Context to the training (background, how and why we are here) - Introduction to agenda, objectives and expectations.	BEUC/HCC
14:45 - 15:45	Module I: Basic concepts of competition law (antitrust)	Ex-post mechanisms: Anti-competitive agreements: elements of Article 101 TFEU, with focus on 101(3) criteria. Abuse of dominance: elements of Article 102 TFEU.  The German "Facebook" case	Andreas Themelis (HCC)  Heiko Dünkel (vzbv, Germany)



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<b>15:45 - 16:00</b>	<b>Break</b>		
16:00 - 16:30	Module II: Basic concepts of competition law (merger control)	Merger control: test case (Google / Fitbit) substantive and procedural aspects relevant to consumer organisations.	Vanessa Turner (BEUC)

**Day 2 (14:30 – 17:30 CET)**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Subject/Topic</b>	<b>Detailed Activities and subtopics</b>	<b>Led by</b>
14:00 - 14:05	Welcoming	Welcome and run through the plan for the day	HCC
14:05 - 15:00	Module III: Public Enforcement & cooperation	<p>How to build synergies with consumer organisations? The national agencies view.</p> <p>Panel discussion with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Ioannis Lianos (Hellenic Competition Commission, Greece)</li><li>- Martijn Snoep (Authority for Consumers and Markets, The Netherlands)</li><li>- Šarūnas Keserauskas (Competition Council of the Republic of Lithuania)</li><li>- Joaquin Lopez Valles (National Commission of Markets and Competition, Spain)</li></ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How can consumer organisations and competition agencies work together?</li><li>• What type of evidence is most helpful to competition agencies?</li><li>• What are the most effective means for a consumer organisation to contribute to cases?</li></ul>	Moderator: Agustin Reyna (BEUC)



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15:00 - 15:30	Exploring models of co-operation	Presentation of the Greek Memorandum of Understanding	Maria Ioannidou (HCC) EKPIZO
15:30 - 15:45	Communicating on competition issues	How to communicate on competition issues? Does and don'ts.	Jonathan Todd (BEUC)
<b>15:45 - 16:00</b>	<b>Break</b>		
16:00 - 16:40	Module IV: Private enforcement	Consumer organisations experiences with damages actions, shortcoming of the current system and need for reform.  Presentation by the European Commission on the damages action directive report.	Lisa Webb (Which? UK) Alev Yuksel (Consumentenbond, NL)  European Commission (DG COMP)
16:40 - 17:00	BEUC competition strategy	Presentation and discussion with members	BEUC
<b>17:00</b>	<b>End of the meeting and virtual group hug</b>		