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COMPETITION LAB FOR JUDGES

Stepping up with the economics of competition law: from core principles to application in practice

A Seminar on European Competition Law for National Judges

 **Budapest, Hungary**

 **10-11 November 2022**

Seminar objectives

The Hungarian Competition Authority (GVH) will hold a competition law training for judges in the framework of the OECD-GVH Regional Centre for Competition in Budapest (RCC) on 10-11 November 2022 in Budapest as part of the Training of the National Judges Programme of the European Commission. This event will receive funding from the European Union.

The seminar entitled “*Stepping up with the economics of competition law: from core principles to advanced competition law enforcement*” aims at exploring economic concepts, tests and evidence used in antitrust cases. National judges will get acquainted with economic concepts, as well as the economic reasoning underlying the EU competition law framework and will gain a comprehensive understanding of the different economic models and tests used to assess anti-competitive effects and notions, such as market power and relevant market. Special attention will be devoted to sources of information and guidance, to which judges could turn to when they have to face complex or novel issues.

The topics will be addressed and discussed by competition law experts from OECD member countries. Practical exercises on hypothetical cases involving all participants will provide a great opportunity to apply the learnings of the seminar in practice. Furthermore, participants will be engaged in Q&A sessions with the experts and will be encouraged to share their experience with one another to promote further cooperation and networking.

We encourage judges who wish to increase their understanding of competition law to participate in the seminar. Please be informed that the seminar is open to national judges, prosecutors and apprentice national judges who are dealing with competition law issues in one of the EU Member States, Albania, Montenegro, Turkey, Serbia, and North Macedonia. Each applicant is kindly requested to indicate their prior experience in general European competition law.

Please note that a good command of English is a precondition for registration. Participation in the seminar will be free of charge; the costs will be covered by EU and GVH funds.

One place will be reserved for one applicant from each of the eligible countries. In case of multiple applications from the same country, candidates will be selected on the basis of a number of criteria, including the institution of the applicants, their position, the years of relevant experience and previous pertinent training.

Participants shall arrange their own travel and their travel expenses (economy class) will be reimbursed by the organizers after the seminar. The cost of local transportation (taxi, airport shuttle, public transport) and the cost of travel insurance will not be reimbursed. The organizers will take care of the reservations and cover the costs of accommodation for three nights on 9, 10 and 11 November 2022. Participants will be invited to a gala dinner on 10 November and will receive lunch on 10 and 11 November 2022.

Please be informed that a necessary precondition for reimbursement is actual participation in the entire training, which means that if someone cannot participate for any reason whatsoever, we cannot reimburse their costs. It is important to specify that the participant will be liable for refunding any costs incurred due to the modification or cancellation of a registration that has already been accepted by the event organisers.

Please note that the deadline for submitting your registration is **15 September 2022**. Applicants will be notified by 1 October 2022 if their registration has been accepted.

Should you have any questions about the event, please contact Ms. Miranda Molnár (molnar.miranda@gvh.hu, phone: +36-1-472-8958).

Please forward this announcement to your colleagues who may be interested in participating.
