



HALF-DAY CONFERENCE

Information Exchange in Competition Law

BRUSSELS, 22 JUNE 2011

The reform of the rules applicable to horizontal cooperation agreements in early 2011 marked the adoption of new rules on information exchange agreements amongst competitors.

The purpose of this half-day conference is to provide a complete overview of those rules, and help firms and their counsels comply with this complex area of the law.

The following experts will speak at the conference:

- Lars KJØLBYE (Partner – COVINGTON & BURLING LLP)
- Frédéric LOUIS (Partner – WILMERHALE LLP)
- Frédéric PUEL (Partner – FIDAL)
- Franck WIJCKMANS (Partner – CONTRAST)

This half-day conference is co-organized by the Brussels School of Competition (BSC) and the Institute for European Legal Studies (IEJE) of the University of Liège (ULg).

The conference will take place at the Federation of Enterprises in Belgium (VBO-FEB), 4, rue Ravenstein, 1000, Brussels.

Working language: English.

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PROGRAMME

13:30 – 14:00 **Registration and Welcome Words**
Charles GHEUR
Head of Communication Department, FEB
Director, BSC

Chair
Nicolas PETIT
Professor, UNIVERSITY OF LIEGE (ULg)
Director, BSC

14:00 – 14:30 **Exchange of Information amongst Competitors – Do's and Don'ts** (types of exchangeable/non exchangeable data, market structure, role of trade associations, etc.)
Lars KJØLBYE
Partner – COVINGTON & BURLING LLP

14:30 – 15:00 **Sharing Information through Intermediaries** (supply-purchase relationships, distribution agreements, meet and release clauses, hub and spokes, etc.)
Franck WIJCKMANS
Partner – CONTRAST

15:00 – 15:20 **Coffee Break**

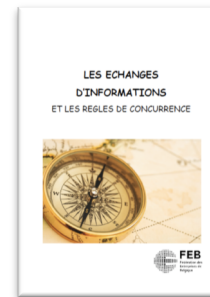
15:20 – 15:50 **Indirect Exchange of Information through Competitor Cooperation** (joint ventures, benchmarking, gun jumping, etc.)
Frédéric LOUIS
Partner – WILMERHALE LLP

15:50 – 16:20 **Government-Sponsored Exchange of Information** (dissemination of information by regulatory authorities, mandatory rules on price transparency, etc.)
Frédéric PUEL
Partner – FIDAL

16:20 – 16:50 **Q & A Session and Case-Studies**

16:50 – 17:00 **Concluding Remarks**

The participants will receive a detailed compliance brochure that provides practical guidance on the rules applicable to information exchange agreements.



Exchange of Information and Competition Law (BSC Compliance Brochure)

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