Conference Programme

"Resale price maintenance - an issue for the European agenda?" 12 September 2008, Vienna/Austria

08.15am Registration and Coffee

09.00am Opening remarks

Theodor Thanner, Director General, Federal Competition Authority, Austria

09.15am Introduction

Bernhard Heitzer, President, Bundeskartellamt, Germany William E. Kovacic, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission, USA

10.15am Coffee break

10.45am Panel 1: RPM – Enforcement and economic reasoning

Moderator:

Theodor Thanner, Director General, Federal Competition Authority, Austria

Speakers:

Anne Perrot, Vice-President, Conseil de la Concurrence, France Amelia Fletcher, Chief Economist, Office of Fair Trading, UK

Robert Neruda, Vice-Chairman, Office for the Protection of Competition, Czech Republic

René Jansen, Member of the Board, NMa, Netherlands Luc Peeperkorn, Senior Administrator, DG Competition

12.00am Discussion

12.30pm Lunch break

02.00pm Panel 2: Loopholes and alternatives to RPM – Experiences of practitioners

Moderator:

Patrick Krauskopf, Deputy Director, Competition Commission, Switzerland

Speakers:

Andreas Reindl, Executive Director, Fordham Competition Law Institute, USA Volker Viechtbauer, Head of Legal Department, Red Bull GmbH, Austria Felix Michael Klement, Partner, Wildmoser/Koch & Partner, Austria David G. Anderson, Partner, Berwin Leighton Paisner LLP, Belgium

03.00pm Discussion

03.30pm Coffee break

04.00pm Panel 3: Is there a need for change in Europe?

Moderator:

William E. Kovacic, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission, USA

Speakers:

Luc Peeperkorn, Senior Administrator, DG Competition Luc Gyselen, Partner, Arnold & Porter LLP, Belgium

László Szakadát, Member of the Competition Council, GVH, Hungary

Konrad Ost, Head of Unit, Bundeskartellamt, Germany

04.45pm Conclusions

Theodor Thanner, Director General, Federal Competition Authority, Austria

05.00pm End of conference

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