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Dear Member

## Evening Meeting at Clifford Chance LLP on 23 April 2012 at 6.00 pm

The CLA will be holding an evening meeting on **Monday 23 April 2012** at the offices of **Clifford Chance LLP**, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, 4 Coleman Street, London EC2R 5JJ. Registration for the event will start at 5.45 pm followed by the lecture at 6:15pm.

Cristina Caffarra, Miguel De La Mano and Alastair Mordaunt have kindly agreed to speak on the following subject:

## "Merger Control & Article 102: Friends or Strangers?"

**Dr Cristina Caffarra** is Vice President at Charles River Associates and Head of CRA's European Competition Practice. She is an expert in the application of modern industrial economics to competition law, and in the empirical analysis of markets in the context of competition investigations. She has provided economic advice to companies on issues of merger control, assessment of vertical restraints, finding of dominance, evaluation of abusive conduct, and several other competition/antitrust issues including bundling, tying, rebates, price discrimination, other forms of potentially exclusionary conduct, intellectual property rights, collusion and the assessment of damages. She has advised before the European Commission (DG Comp) on several Phase II merger investigations and has also been involved in a number of abuse of dominance cases, including the European Commission's Art.102 investigation of Microsoft and Microsoft's appeal before the Courts.

**Miguel de la Mano** joined the European Commission in late 2000 and joined the Chief Economist Team at DG COMP shortly after its creation in 2003. In early 2009 he was appointed Deputy Chief Economist. He is currently on secondment as Acting Chief Economist at the UK Competition Commission. He carries out economic analysis of mergers, agreements and commercial practices by dominant companies, both in the context of administrative and court proceedings. He has co-drafted various guidelines setting out the European Commission's analytical framework in these areas.

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Alastair Mordaunt is a partner at Clifford Chance LLP. Alastair specialises in EU and UK competition law, in particular mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, distribution and licensing arrangements, cartels and abuses of market power across a wide range of industry sectors. Alastair joined the firm from the OFT where he held a number of senior positions, including Director of a dedicated competition enforcement team and previously Director of Mergers, where he was responsible for leading on some of the most high profile cases of recent years (including the Lloyds/HBOS and Co-op/Somerfield mergers), the antitrust investigations into data exchange in the insurance sector and into the on-line hotel booking sector.

The meeting will be followed by drinks and canapés. There is no additional charge for members. There will be a charge for non-members: £50, or £35 (full time academic/public sector employees), or £10 (students, trainees, pupil barristers). Registrations should be completed and (where applicable) paid online at www.competitionlawassociation.org.uk. One CPD point will be available.

On-line registration will close on Friday 20 April 2012. Tickets will not be issued for this event.

With kind regards

**Sharon Horwitz** Secretary

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