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Dear Member

Lunchtime Webinar: Thursday 24 September 2020 at 12pm

The CLA will be holding a lunchtime webinar on **Thursday 24 September** from 12.00 to 1.00pm.

Catherine Batchelor, Lucy Barratt, and James Hampson have kindly agreed to speak on the following subject:

“CMA’s proposals for a Digital Taskforce”

In July, the CMA published a Call for Information on its proposals for a Digital Taskforce which build on the recent Furman Review and the findings and recommendations from the CMA’s market study into online platforms and digital advertising. The CMA has been asked by the government to lead this Digital Markets Taskforce, also incorporating expertise from Ofcom and the Information Commissioner’s Office. The Taskforce will provide the government with practical advice to inform its decisions on what intervention, if any, is necessary to protect and promote competition and innovation in digital markets and to address the anti-competitive effects that can arise from the exercise of market power in those markets.

This event will provide the CMA with an opportunity to explain its proposals and seek views from stakeholders regarding those proposals, with a particular focus on the procedural framework for a new ex-ante approach for digital markets.

Catherine Batchelor is a Director at the Competition and Markets Authority and is leading the Digital Markets Taskforce, due to deliver its advice to Government by the end of the year.

Lucy Barratt and James Hampson are both Assistant Legal Directors at the Competition and Markets Authority. Both were involved in the CMA’s digital online platforms and digital advertising market study (which delivered its final report on 1 July 2020) and are now involved in the Digital Markets Taskforce.

There is no additional charge for members. There will be a charge of £10 for all non-members.

To register for this event, please visit the ‘**New Events**’ section of the CLA website:
<https://www.competitionlawassociation.org.uk/newevents.htm>

An online link to join the webinar will be circulated via email the day before to all those who have registered.

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Note: if you would like to direct any questions to the speaker, please send them in advance via email and by no later than Monday 21 September to the CLA Administrator (admin@competitionlawassociation.org.uk).

Online registration will close on Wednesday 23 September. Tickets will not be issued for this event.

With kind regards

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Secretary

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