



Competition Law Association

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(International League for Competition Law)

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Dear Member

LIDC Questions Workshop: 16 May 2018 at 6pm

Each year the LIDC examines two topical questions concerning competition law and IP/unfair competition law. The two questions are then the focus of discussions at the annual LIDC Congress with a view to adopting resolutions in the areas concerned.

This year the competition law question relates to breaches of competition law and which rules should govern the attribution of civil and criminal liability. The IP question explores how the holder of intellectual property rights can protect its brand in the context of on and off-line distribution and after-sales service and whether the existing framework for such protection strikes a fair balance between stakeholders. Further details of the two questions that are to be discussed at the forthcoming LIDC Congress in Budapest, between 4-7 October 2018, are set out below.

We are delighted to announce that Richard Jenkinson, DLA Piper (competition law) and Collette Rawnsley, Wiggin LLP (IP) have each agreed to act as UK National Rapporteurs on this year's questions.

We shall be holding an evening workshop on **Wednesday 16 May at Wiggin LLP, 9th Floor, Met Building, 22 Percy Street, London W1T 2BU** to seek Members' contributions and comments on the draft UK reports prepared by our National Rapporteurs. The working session will begin at **5.30pm** and will last for up to two hours. The Workshop is informal and refreshments will be on offer to lubricate discussions.

There is no additional charge for attendance at the workshop for members. However, there is a charge for non-members: £50, or £35 (full time academic/public sector employees), or £10 (students, trainees, pupil barristers). Registrations can be completed and paid for on-line.

We would be delighted if you could come along to this meeting, which should be an excellent opportunity to discuss the issues raised by the questions with other practitioners in an informal setting. If you cannot come yourself, you might consider sending a colleague along in your place.

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Members should please visit our website at www.competitionlawassociation.org.uk to register attendance and to renew membership if you have not already done so. Please note that on-line registration will close on Tuesday 15 May. Tickets will not be issued.

With kind regards

Sharon Horwitz
Secretary

LIDC CONGRESS 2018 – BUDAPEST QUESTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Competition Law Question:

Who is/should be liable for breaches of competition law: which rules should govern the attribution of civil and (where it exists) criminal liability to the company, parent company, management & employee?

IP Question:

How can the holder of intellectual property rights protect its brands in the context of on- and off-line distribution and after-sales service, and does the existing framework for such protection strike a fair balance between the interests of rights holders and the interests of consumers?

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