

ICN Annual Conference 2025 Agenda

Day 0: Tuesday 6 May

Time (GMT +1)	Topic	Location
08:30 - 17:45	Technologist Forum	Tinto Suite, Level 0, EICC
17:30 - 18:30	ICN Working Group Co-Chairs Meeting	Harris Suite, Level 1, EICC
19:00 - 22:00	ICN Annual Conference Welcome Reception	Mansfield Traquair

Day 1: Wednesday 7 May

Time (GMT +1)	Topic	Format	Location
07:30 - 09:00	Registration		Strathblane Suite, Level 0, EICC
07:45 - 08:45	Introduction to the ICN	Theatre Open to all delegates	Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC In-person only
09:00 - 09:30	Opening session: Official conference welcome and opening address Speakers: Sarah Cardell, CMA, UK Andreas Mundt, BKA, Germany Justin Madders MP, Minister for Employment Rights, Competition and Markets UK	Opening speeches Open to all delegates	Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC Livestreamed session – join here
09:35 - 10:20	CMA Host Showcase: The key role of competition in driving productivity, innovation and growth Moderator: Sarah Cardell, CMA, UK Speakers: Andreas Mundt, BKA, Germany Guillaume Lorient, DG COMP, EU Doris Tshepe, CCSA, South Africa Andrea Marván, COFECE, Mexico	Plenary Open to all delegates	Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC Livestreamed session – join here
10:20 - 10:40	Coffee break		Strathblane Suite, Level 0, EICC
10:20 - 10:40	Operational Framework Working Group drop-in session	Drop-in session ICN members only	Harris Suite, Level 1, EICC In-person only

<p>10:40 - 11:25</p>	<p>CMA Host Plenary: Global update on competition in digital markets</p> <p>Moderator: Will Hayter, CMA, UK</p> <p>Speakers: Gina Cass-Gottlieb, ACCC, Australia Ravneet Kaur, CCI, India Reiko Aoki, JFTC, Japan Benoît Cœuré, AdIC, France</p>	<p>Plenary</p> <p>Open to all delegates</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>Livestreamed session – join here</p>
<p>11:30 - 11:50</p>	<p>Keynote Speech: Andrew Ferguson, US FTC</p>	<p>Keynote speech</p> <p>Open to all delegates</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>Livestreamed session – join here</p>
<p>11:55 - 12:55</p>	<p>Mergers Plenary: Entrenchment theories of harm in merger reviews</p> <p>Moderator: Matthew Boswell, CCB, Canada</p> <p>Speakers: Guillaume Lorient, DG COMP, EU Ya-Lun Yen, TFTC, Taiwan Andrea Marván, COFECE, Mexico Rachel Brandenburger, NGA, UK</p>	<p>Plenary</p> <p>Open to all delegates</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>Livestreamed session – join here</p>
<p>12:55 - 14:00</p>	<p>Lunch</p>		<p>Cromdale Hall, Level -2, EICC</p>
<p>14:00 - 15:15</p>	<p>Breakout Sessions</p>		
<p>Heads of Agency Session (<i>Heads of Agency only</i>): On emerging competition issues: Making competition policy work for the current needs of the population</p>		<p>Presentation and interactive roundtable discussions</p> <p>Heads of Agency only</p>	<p>Kilsyth Suite, Level 0, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
<p>Mergers: Unconventional merger remedies</p> <p>Moderator: Kaeleigh Kuzma, NGA, Canada</p> <p>Speakers: Mwila Zambwe, CCPC, Zambia Daniele Calisti, DG COMP, EU Joel Bamford, CMA, UK Maria Fernanda Viacens, NGA, Argentina John Kwoka, NGA, Mauritius</p>		<p>Interactive panel discussion with moderated Q&A</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
<p>Unilateral Conduct: Synergies between unilateral conduct enforcement and merger review</p> <p>Moderator: Fabricio Cardim, NGA, Brazil</p>		<p>Interactive panel discussion with moderated Q&A</p>	<p>Harris Suite, Level 1, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>

	<p>Table Moderators: Rita Leandro Vasconcelos, NGA, Portugal David Nordström, KKV, Sweden James Musgrove, NGA, Canada Dr. Ingo Brinker, NGA, Germany</p>	<p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	
	<p>Cartels: The launch of the CWG Anti Cartel Enforcement Manual updated Chapter 1 on Raids</p> <p>Moderator: Louise Baner, CMA, UK</p> <p>Table Moderators: Donghwan Shin, KMOJ, Korea Beatriz Pérez Siles, CNMC, Spain Orla Shevlin, CCPC, Ireland Elisabeth Eklund, NGA, Sweden Sil Van Kordelaar, CMA, UK</p>	<p>Moderated roundtable discussions</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Tinto Suite, Level 0, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
	<p>Agency Effectiveness: The role of economists in effective enforcement: Best practices, success stories and challenges in applying economics to competition analysis</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Jenny Haydock, CMA, UK</p> <p>Table Moderators: Annemiek Wilpshaar, DG COMP, EU Dr. Elisa Mariscal, NGA, Costa Rica Farha Nabiha Hj Mustaffa, MyCC, Malaysia</p>	<p>Cocktail-style discussions</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Moorfoot Suite, Level 0, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
	<p>Technology Session (agency only): Reflecting on the ICN 2025 Technologist Forum</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Karen Croxson, CMA, UK</p> <p>Speakers: Herbert Fung, CCCS, Singapore Dr. Penelope Papandropoulos, DG COMP, EU Sally Foskett, ACCC, Australia</p>	<p>Presentation and interactive roundtable discussions</p> <p>Agency only</p>	<p>Carrick 2 & 3 Suite, Level 1, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
15:15 - 15:40	Coffee break		Strathblane Suite, Level 0, EICC
15:40 - 16:25	<p>CMA Host Plenary: Public procurement and competition</p> <p>Moderator: Juliette Enser, CMA, UK</p> <p>Speakers: Cani Fernandez, CNMC, Spain Byunghoon Ahn, KFTC, Korea Prof. Elisabetta Iossa, AGCM, Italy Alexandre Barreto de Souza, CADE, Brazil</p>	<p>Plenary</p> <p>Open to all delegates</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>Livestreamed session – join here</p>

16:30 - 17:30	<p>Unilateral Conduct Plenary: Challenges ahead in antitrust enforcement: Assessing dominance/exclusionary abuses/standard of proof/economic assessment</p> <p>Moderator: Eleanor Fox</p> <p>Speakers: Prof. Dr. Hakan Bilir, RK, Turkey Marie Östman, KKV, Sweden Cani Fernandez, CNMC, Spain Reiko Aoki, JFTC, Japan</p>	<p>Plenary</p> <p>Open to all delegates</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>Livestreamed session – join here</p>
18:45 – 19:15	Short Steering Group meeting		SG Dinner venue
19:00 - 22:00	Working Group Co-Chairs Dinner		
19:15 - 22:00	Steering Group Dinner		

Day 2: Thursday 8 May

Time (GMT +1)	Topic	Format	Location
08:00 - 09:00	Welcome refreshments		Strathblane Suite, Level 0, EICC
08:00 - 09:00	<p>ICC: Business initiatives for better competition policies</p> <p>Non-ICN side session</p>	<p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Tinto Suite, Level 0, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
09:00 - 10:00	<p>Cartels Plenary: Opportunities and challenges: The fight against cartels</p> <p>Moderator: Diogo Thomson De Andrade, CADE, Brazil</p> <p>Speakers: Jorge Grunberg, Chilean Competition Authority Dr. Derek Johnston, NZCC, New Zealand Lucilia Falsarella Pereira, CMA, UK Nuno Cunha Rodrigues, AdC, Portugal</p>	<p>Plenary</p> <p>Open to all delegates</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>Livestreamed session – join here</p>
10:05 - 10:25	<p>Keynote Interview: Teresa Ribera, European Commission</p> <p>Moderator: Sarah Cardell, CMA, UK</p>	<p>Keynote interview</p> <p>Open to all delegates</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>Livestreamed session – join here</p>
10:30 - 11:15	<p>Food Project Plenary: Global market power in food and agricultural markets</p> <p>Moderator: Carin Smaller, NGA, COMESA</p> <p>Speakers: Csaba Rigó, GVH, Hungary</p>	<p>Plenary</p> <p>Open to all delegates</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>Livestreamed session – join here</p>

	David Kibet Kemei, CAK, Kenya Gina Cass-Gottlieb, ACCC, Australia Dr. Fahad Alshathri, Saudi Arabia		
11:15 - 11:40	Coffee break		Strathblane Suite, Level 0, EICC
11:40 - 12:55	Breakout Sessions		
	<p>Advocacy: Advocating for competition in emerging areas – Food & agriculture, digital economy, BigTech & AI</p> <p>Moderator: Joel Omari, CAK, Kenya</p> <p>Speakers: Ana Sofia Rodrigues, AdC, Portugal Gavin Thompson, CMA, UK Martyna Derszniak, UOKiK, Poland Dr. Yusuke Takamiya, NGA, Japan Isaac Tausha, COMESA</p>	<p>Presentation and interactive roundtable discussions</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Tinto Suite, Level 0, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
	<p>Heads of Agency Session (<i>Heads of Agency only</i>): Competition and digital markets</p>	<p>Presentation and interactive roundtable discussions</p> <p>Heads of Agency only</p>	<p>Kilsyth Suite, Level 0, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
	<p>Mergers: Market definition in digital mergers</p> <p>Moderator: Jeanne Pratt, CCB, Canada</p> <p>Speakers: Tzu-Shun HU, TFTC, Taiwan Kenta Suzuki, JFTC, Japan Andrea Pomana, NGA, DG COMP Pedro Hinojo, CNMC, Spain</p>	<p>Moderated roundtable discussions</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Moorfoot Suite, Level 0, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
	<p>Unilateral Conduct: Current trends and challenges in Digital Markets</p> <p>Moderator: Camila Cabral Pires Alves, CADE, Brazil</p> <p>Speakers: Inge Bernaerts, DG COMP, EU Lenvic Elicer R. Lesigues, PHCC, Philippines Sayako Takizawa, NGA, Japan Prof. Konstantinos Stylianou, NGA, Greece</p>	<p>Interactive panel discussion</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
<p>Cartels (<i>agency only</i>): Cross-border collaboration in detecting cartels</p> <p>Moderator: Grant Chamberlain, NZCC, New Zealand</p>	<p>Moderated roundtable discussions</p> <p>Agency only</p>	<p>Harris Suite, Level 1, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>	

	<p>Table Moderators: Maria Jaspers, DG COMP, EU Una Butler, CCPC, Ireland Dr. Botond Horváth, GVH, Hungary Dr. Willard Mwemba, COMESA</p>		
	<p>NGA Engagement: Pursuing the improvements to the NGA involvement within the ICN</p> <p>Moderator: Alexandre Cordeiro Macedo, CADE, Brazil</p> <p>Speakers: Prof. Pinar Akman, NGA, UK Marcin Trepka, NGA, Poland Ameera Ashraf, NGA, Singapore Wang'ombe Kariuki, NGA, Kenya Prof. Bill Kovacic Melanie Aitken, NGA, Canada</p>	<p>Presentation and interactive roundtable discussions</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Carrick 2 & 3 Suite, Level 1, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
12:55 - 14:00	Lunch		Cromdale Hall, Level -2, EICC
14:00 - 15:15	<p>Breakout Sessions</p>		
	<p>Advocacy: Collaborations between competition authorities and sector regulators on emerging areas</p> <p>Moderator: Kouhei Yoshida, JFTC, Japan</p> <p>Table Moderators: Brian McHugh, CCPC, Ireland Ori Schwarz, OECD Dr. Eduardo Neri González, CONACOM, Paraguay Kate Jones, DRCF, UK Prof. Sandra Marco Colino, NGA, Hong Kong</p>	<p>Presentation and interactive roundtable discussions</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Tinto Suite, Level 0, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
	<p>Agency Effectiveness: Ex-post impact assessments of enforcement and advocacy work</p> <p>Moderator: Antonio Capobianco, OECD</p> <p>Table Moderators: Csaba Kovács, GVH, Hungary Ninette Mwarania, CAK, Kenya Kjell J Sunnevåg / Margrethe Gudbrandsen, KT, Norway</p>	<p>Demonstrations and roundtable discussions</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Kilsyth Suite, Level 0, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
	<p>Mergers: Review of mergers below the reporting thresholds: Comparative approaches</p> <p>Moderator: Giuliana Galbiati, AdIC, France</p>	<p>Moderated roundtable discussions</p> <p>Open to all delegates –</p>	<p>Moorfoot Suite, Level 0, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>

	<p>Table Moderators: Saverio Valentino, AGCM, Italy Vanessa Turner, NGA, DG COMP Evrin Özgül Kazak, RK, Turkey Jorge Grunberg, FNE, Chile Jana Seidl, US FTC Giuliana Galbiati, AdIC, France</p>	<p>Chatham House Rule</p>	
	<p>Unilateral Conduct: Challenges / interplay between competition law and other regulated sectors (including self-preferencing, among other issues)</p> <p>Moderator: Sung Kim, UNCTAD</p> <p>Table Moderators: Melinda McDonald, ACCC, Australia Eyal Shapira, ICA, Israel Karan Singh Chandhiok, NGA, India Laura Alicia Mendez Rodriguez, NGA, Luxembourg</p>	<p>Moderated roundtable discussions</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Harris Suite, Level 1, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
	<p>Cartels: Using data science or any other technological process or tool to detect cartels</p> <p>Moderator: Charlotte Emin, NGA, France</p> <p>Speakers: Susana Campuzano Fernández, CNMC, Spain Haim Arbib, ICA, Israel Gene-Oh Kim, NGA, Korea</p>	<p>Interactive panel discussion with moderated Q&A</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
	<p>Younger Agencies/Bridging Project: Building a new competition agenda from the perspective of young and small agencies</p>	<p>Moderated roundtable discussions</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Carrick 2 & 3 Suite, Level 1, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
15:15 - 15:45	Coffee break		Strathblane Suite, Level 0, EICC
15:45 - 16:45	<p>Agency Effectiveness Plenary: New antitrust powers and tools in a fast-changing world</p> <p>Moderator: Doris Tshepe, CCSA, South Africa</p> <p>Speakers: Diego Solano, SIC, Columbia Hara Nikolopoulou, HCC, Greece Rasul Butt, CC, Hong Kong Wang'ombe Kariuki, NGA, Kenya</p>	<p>Traditional plenary</p> <p>Open to all delegates</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>Livestreamed session – join here</p>

16:50 - 17:20	ICN / World Bank Advocacy Contest Winners Presenters: Roberto Rustichelli, AGCM, Italy Graciela Miralles Murciego, World Bank Group	Open to all delegates	Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC Livestreamed session – join here
19:00 - 23:00	Conference Dinner		National Museum of Scotland

Day 3: Friday 9 May

Time (GMT +1)	Topic	Format	Location
07:30 - 09:00	Welcome refreshments		Strathblane Suite, Level 0, EICC
08:00 - 08:45	EU Draft Article 102 Guidelines on exclusionary conduct Non-ICN side session	Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule	Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC In-person only
09:00 - 10:15	Breakout Sessions		
	Advocacy: Advocating for fair competition in public procurement Moderator: Graciela Miralles Murciego, World Bank Group Speakers: Irma Urmonaite, Lithuanian Competition Council Gegham Gevorgyan, CPCRA, Armenia Viviana Blanco Barboza, COPROCOM, Costa Rica Kamil Nejezchleb, Czech Republic Julia García–Royo Díaz, CNMC, Spain	Presentation and interactive roundtable discussions Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule	Moorfoot Suite, Level 0, EICC In-person only
	Agency Effectiveness: Navigating the ICN Recommended Practices for investigative process: Enhancing due process with effective tools Moderators: Paul O'Brien, US FTC and Barbara Schulze, Bundeskartellamt, Germany Table Moderators: Dave Anderson, NGA, DG COMP Lefkothea Nteka, NGA, Greece Jindrich Kloub, NGA, Hong Kong A H M Ahsan, Competition Commission, Bangladesh	Demonstrations and roundtable discussions Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule	Kilsyth Suite, Level 0, EICC In-person only

	<p>Enforcement Cooperation: Bridging the gaps through international enforcement cooperation</p> <p>Moderators: Rachel Burgess, ACCC, Australia and Cristina Camacho, AdC, Portugal</p> <p>Speakers: Johanne Peyre, APC, French Polynesia Hanna Koehler, UOKiK, Poland Hilary Jennings, Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority Graeme Jarvie, KKV, Sweden</p>	<p>Panel discussion and interactive roundtable discussions</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Tinto Suite, Level 0, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
	<p>Technology Session (agency only): Horizon scanning; approaches and future actions</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Nicky Brassington, CMA, UK</p> <p>Table Moderators: Yann Guthmann, AdIC, France Kim Brugger, KT, Norway</p>	<p>Presentation and interactive roundtable discussions</p> <p>Agency only</p>	<p>Harris Suite, Level 1, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
	<p>Food: Different approaches to the same merger – the case of Bunge / Viterra or similar merger</p> <p>Moderator: James Hodge, CCSA, South Africa</p> <p>Speakers: Lilian Santos Marques, CADE, Brazil Loulou Kenens, AFCA, Austria Sayanti Chakrabarti, CCI, India Dr. Willard Mwemba, COMESA</p>	<p>Mini plenary</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
	<p>Island and small economies: How competition law enforcement could tackle issues specific for islands and small economies</p> <p>Moderator: Ernesto Kross, Aruba Fair Trade Authority</p> <p>Speakers: Peter Hetherington, Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority Stephane Retterer, Competition Authority of New Caledonia Pál Gunnar Pálsson, Icelandic Competition Authority Johanne Peyre, APC, French Polynesia</p>	<p>Presentation and interactive roundtable discussions</p> <p>Open to all delegates – Chatham House Rule</p>	<p>Carrick 2 & 3 Suite, Level 1, EICC</p> <p>In-person only</p>
<p>10:15 - 10:40</p>	<p>Coffee break</p>		<p>Strathblane Suite, Level 0, EICC</p>

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10:40 - 11:00	<p>Keynote Interview: Gail Slater, US DOJ</p> <p>Moderator: Sarah Cardell, CMA, UK</p>	<p>Keynote interview</p> <p>Open to all delegates</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>Livestreamed session – join here</p>
11:05 - 12:05	<p>Advocacy Plenary: Competition in all policies: A balancing act?</p> <p>Moderator: Alvin Koh, CCCS, Singapore</p> <p>Speakers: Michal Cohen, ICA, Israel Michael G. Aguinaldo, PHCC, Philippines Benoît Cœuré, AdIC, France Dr. Mahmoud Ahmed Momtaz Aly, ECA, Egypt</p>	<p>Plenary</p> <p>Open to all delegates</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>Livestreamed session – join here</p>
12:10 - 12:40	<p>ICN Implementation Panel</p> <p>Moderator: Paul O'Brien, US FTC</p>	<p>Plenary</p> <p>Open to all delegates</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>Livestreamed session – join here</p>
12:45 - 13:15	<p>Closing session</p> <p>Speakers: Sarah Cardell, CMA, UK Andreas Mundt, BKA, Germany</p>	<p>Plenary</p> <p>Open to all delegates</p>	<p>Pentland Suite, Level 3, EICC</p> <p>Livestreamed session – join here</p>
13:15 - 14:15	Steering Group lunch		Tinto Suite, Level 0, EICC
13:15 - 14:30	Lunch		Cromdale Hall, Level -2, EICC