

JOINT RCC – FAS RUSSIA SEMINAR

THE OECD COMPETITION ASSESSMENT TOOLKIT

VELIKY NOVGOROD, RUSSIAN FEDERATION, 2 – 4 JUNE 2015

SEMINAR OBJECTIVES

As part of their advocacy activities or as part of their legal mandate, many competition authorities are involved in reviewing new and existing laws, rules and regulations with the aim of pointing out where barriers to competition might arise or be reinforced. They will also be asked to show alternative ways of reaching the same policy goal with means that restrict competition less and to estimate costs and gains of policy changes. The OECD Competition Assessment Toolkit provides valuable guidance for enforcers. We will introduce the Toolkit and show where and how it has successfully been used. Experts from the OECD and from countries who have used or are currently using the Toolkit and representatives from FAS Russia and invited CIS countries will present and share their experiences. Practical exercises will complement the sessions and will give an opportunity to practice and apply the Toolkit principles.

AGENDA

Park Inn by Radisson Veliky Novgorod Hotel, Veliky Novgorod

Tuesday, 2 June 2015

09.00-09.30	Welcome and Opening Remarks (Mr Andrey Tsyganov, FAS Russia, and József Sárai, GVH, Hungary)
09.30-09.45	Group photo
09.45-11.00	The OECD Competition Assessment Toolkit - Introduction (Ms Sabine Zigelski, OECD, Paris)
11.00-11.15	<i>Coffee break</i>

- 11.15-12.15 Competition Assessment Activity by the Hungarian Competition Authority
(Mr József Sárai, GVH, Hungary)
- 12.15-14.00 *Lunch*
- 14.00-15.30 Checklist Question 1 – Rules and Regulations Limiting the Number/Range of Suppliers + Hypothetical Exercise – Electronic Cigarettes
(Ms Sabine Zigelski, OECD, Paris)
- 15.30-15.45 *Coffee break*
- 15.45-17.00 The Hellenic Competition Experience from the Participation in the OECD Competition Assessment Projects in Greece
(Mr Ioannis Stefatos, Hellenic Competition Commission, Greece)
- 18:30 - Welcome dinner - meeting at the hotel reception

Wednesday, 3 June 2015

- 09.30-10.30 The Russian Experience
(Mr Aleksey Sushkevich, FAS Russia)
- 10.30-11.00 *Coffee break*
- 11.00-12.45 Checklist Question 2 – Rules and Regulations Limiting the Ability of Suppliers to Compete + Hypothetical Exercise – Standards for Taxis
(Ms Sabine Zigelski, OECD, Paris)
- 12.45-14.00 *Lunch*
- 14.30- *Sightseeing*
- 19.00-21.00 *Dinner in the hotel's restaurant*

Thursday, 4 June 2015

- 09.00-10.15 The Romanian Competition Assessment and Advocacy Experience
(Ms Daniela Eleodor, Romanian Competition Council, Bucharest)
- 10.15-10.30 *Coffee break*
- 10.30-12.00 Competition Assessment – Tools for Quantification
(Ms Federica Maiorano, OECD, Athens)
- 12.00-13.30 *Lunch*
- 13.30-15.00 Checklist Question 3 – Rules and Regulations Reducing the Incentive of
Suppliers to Compete + Hypothetical Exercise – Price Reporting in the Hotel
Sector
(Ms Sabine Zigelski, OECD, Paris)
- 15.00-15.15 *Coffee break*
- 15.15-15.30 Checklist Question 4 – Rules and Regulations Limiting the Choices and
Information Available to Customers
(Ms Sabine Zigelski, OECD, Paris)
- 15.30-16.00 Discussion and Closing Remarks
- 19.00-21.00 *Dinner in the hotel's restaurant*