



Florence, 4st December 2019

Dear participant,

Welcome to ENTraNCE for Judges 2019!

My name is Pier Luigi Parcu, I am the Director of the ENTraNCE project.

I have the pleasure to communicate you that you are one of the judges selected to participate to the ninth edition of ENTraNCE for Judges. We received several applications from judges from several EU Member States. In accordance with the agreement concluded with the European Commission 26 judges have been selected to attend the training programme.

The programme is designed to take into account your work schedule. Consequently, it includes one residential training (31st January – 2nd February 2019) and one final workshop (26th – 28th September 2019) at the EUI campus in Florence. We expect that you attend both events. In addition, in the contest of the online activities you will interact with the other participants in a forum of discussion on recent competition law developments and compare your personal experience in this field.

In the next pages you will find a description of the agenda of activities. In addition, you can also check our web-site for further information concerning ENTraNCE for Judges.

<http://fcp.eui.eu/entrance-judges/>

I sincerely believe that the activities that we are organizing during coming months will contribute to deepen your understanding of EU competition law. Moreover, I wish ENTraNCE the Judges could represent a useful instrument for networking and establishing contacts with your European colleagues attending the program.

Looking forward to meeting you in Florence on the 31st January 2019!

Kind Regards





SUMMARY OF THE ACTIVITIES

ONLINE ACTIVITIES

- Online activities will be carried out through ENTrANCE for Judges online platform (<http://comsmedia.elearning-fsr.net/>). In January 2019, each participant will receive a username and password to access the platform, as well as the instructions for using the platform.
- You will not be required to get access to the platform at specific time of the day. However, we would like to ask you to check regularly the platform for updates.
- Different kinds of activities will be carried out within the on-line platform:
 - 1) Preliminary questionnaire: in January 2019, we will ask you to fill an online questionnaire to assess your background knowledge and professional experience in the field of competition law
 - 2) Online forum of discussion: throughout the program we will post news on recent judgements and decisions in the field of competition law. We invite you to comment online the news, and to upload relevant news from your country as well, in order to stimulate the online discussion among the participants
 - 3) Suggested readings: some suggested readings will be uploaded on the online platform. We encourage the participants who are less familiar with the topic to have a look at the readings.
 - 4) Individual case note: in the context of the online activities we would like to ask each participant to write a short case note (i.e. 3-5 pages), commenting one judgement from your home jurisdiction in the field of competition law. The case note should be written in English, including the summary of the judgement and brief personal comment. The case notes will be uploaded on the online platform. In addition, you will present the case note during the final workshop in Florence on 26th – 28th September 2019. Finally, the case notes will be included in a collective working paper published by the RSCAS at the end of the training program.

RESIDENTIAL ACTIVITIES IN FLORENCE

- The residential activities in Florence will include a residential training (31st January – 2nd February 2019) and a final workshop (26th – 28th September 2019).
- The residential training will mainly consist of lectures and group exercises on competition law and economics. The lectures will be delivered by leading academics in the field. During the final workshop, on the other hand, you will be asked to actively participate in a round-table of discussion, by presenting the case note that you wrote in the context of the online activities.
- Coaching: participants who are facing a real competition law case may rely on a coaching service provided by Prof. Parcu and Prof. Monti in the contest of face-to-face sessions during the residential training and final workshop in Florence, as well as throughout the online activities. The coaching is optional; further information will be provided in January 2019.



AGENDA OF ACTIVITIES

- **ONLINE PREPARATORY ACTIVITIES (JANUARY 2019):**

- Online preliminary questionnaire
- Online forum of discussion

- **RESIDENTIAL TRAINING IN FLORENCE (31ST JANUARY – 2ND FEBRUARY 2019)**

- 3 days intensive lectures on EU competition law and economics. Focus on interaction of IP and competition law
- Coaching (optional)

- **ONLINE ACTIVITIES (FEBRUARY-SEPTEMBER 2019):**

The online activities include:

- Suggested readings;
- Writing a short case note of a national judgement in the field of EU competition law;
- A forum of discussion on recent competition law developments at the national and EU level.
- Coaching (optional)

- **FINAL WORKSHOP IN FLORENCE (26TH – 28TH SEPTEMBER 2019)**

- Presentations by guest speakers
- Presentation of the case note by every participant
- Coaching (optional)

- **ONLINE FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES (OCTOBER 2019)**

- Online feedback form to assess ENTraNCE for Judges 2019



INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

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