

2020 MANILA FORUM

Towards Dynamic Competition Policy, Regulation, and Legislation in Rapidly Rising Asia

DAY 1

Thursday, 30 January 2020

09:00-10:00AM

REGISTRATION

10:00-10:15AM

OPENING REMARKS

Arsenio Balisacan

Chairman, Philippine Competition Commission

10:15-10:30AM

MESSAGE FROM THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT

Salvador Medialdea III

Executive Secretary, Office of the President

10:30-11:15AM

**KEYNOTE PRESENTATION:
COMPETITION POLICY IN RAPIDLY RISING ASIA: TOWARDS
DYNAMIC REGULATION AND LEGISLATION**

William Kovacic

*Global Competition Professor of Law and Policy,
George Washington University*

11:15-12:00NN

Q&A

12:00-01:30PM

LUNCH

BOOK LAUNCH

**FIGHTING CROSS-BORDER CARTELS: THE PERSPECTIVE OF
THE YOUNG AND SMALL COMPETITION AUTHORITIES**

Pierre Horna

*Legal Affairs Officer, United Nations Conference on Trade and
Development (UNCTAD)*

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01:30-03:15PM

PANEL 1: REGULATION WITH A NEW LENS: FRESH PERSPECTIVES ON THE ROLE OF COMPETITION POLICY

For a number of reasons, including market failures inherent in developing economies, States may choose to introduce industrial policies and public interest objectives to the policymaking architecture. Competition policy plays a distinct role in developing markets as it interacts with other state objectives in the context of a rapidly changing global environment.

In consideration of a coherent policy direction, what challenges arise from the complex interplay between competition policy, regulation, and industrial policy? What is the role of antitrust in developing economies where market forces are in flux?

SPEAKER

Christine Qiang

Practice Manager, Global Investment and Competition, The World Bank Group

MODERATOR

Calla Wiemer

Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Asian Economics and President, American Committee on Asian Economic Studies

PANEL

Sakon Varanyuwatana

Chairman, Office of Trade Competition Commission (OTCC) of Thailand

Ng Ee Kia

Assistant Chief Executive, Competition and Consumer Commission of Singapore (CCCS)

Tetsushi Sonobe

Vice-President, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies, Japan

Henry Schumacher

President, European Innovation, Technology, and Science Center Foundation

03:15-03:45PM

BREAK

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PANEL 2: PRO-COMPETITIVE LEGISLATION: BALANCING SECTORAL INTERESTS AND THE OBJECTIVES OF ANTITRUST

Legislation institutionalizes rules and shapes the strategic behavior of public and private players over the long term. Lawmakers strive to advance stakeholder objectives – goals which may not necessarily align with the objective of promoting market efficiency. Pro-competitive reforms can bring significant dividends by promoting self-sustaining market dynamism, while laws with anti-competitive elements can shackle market forces and impede progress for decades.

What steps can the legislature take to identify and correct existing anti-competitive legislations? How can conflicting stakeholder objectives be reconciled during the legislative process?

SPEAKER

Stella Luz Quimbo

Representative, House of Representatives, Republic of the Philippines

MODERATOR

Johannes Bernabe

Commissioner, Philippine Competition Commission

PANEL

Hassan Qaqaya

Senior Fellow, Melbourne Law School, The University of Melbourne

Rizalina Mantaring

President, Management Association of the Philippines

Jaeho Moon

Korea Fair Trade Commission

Gwen Grecia-de Vera

Professor, College of Law, University of the Philippines

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FELLOWSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS APPRECIATION NIGHT

DAY 1 PRÉCIS

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Arsenio Balisacan

Chairman, Philippine Competition Commission

MESSAGE

Menardo Guevarra

Secretary, Department of Justice

PARTNERSHIP FOR COMPETITION DEVELOPMENT: 2017-2019

DINNER AND SOCIALS

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RECAP OF DAY 1

09:15-10:00AM

KEYNOTE PRESENTATION: ADAPTING LEGISLATION FOR COMPETITION IN PUBLIC SERVICES

Sherwin Gatchalian

Senator, Republic of the Philippines

10:00-12:00PM

PANEL 3: INTO THE FOLD: CREATING BUSINESS-FRIENDLY POLICY SPACES

Rapid technological development has enabled entrepreneurship, creating new markets and bringing more diverse economic participants into the fold. A sufficiently flexible regulatory environment allows firms to experiment with new technology and business models within a controlled market and limited time period.

How can the government collaborate with the private sector to foster an environment conducive to innovation, entrepreneurship and vigorous competition? What are the key elements of a dynamic regulatory environment and inclusive innovation ecosystem that will allow firms to develop new products and adopt emerging technologies while ensuring market stability and consumer protection?

SPEAKER

Ioannis Kokkoris

Professor of Law and Economics, Dean for International, Queen Mary University of London

MODERATOR

Amabelle Asuncion

Commissioner, Philippine Competition Commission

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PANEL

Rafaelita Aldaba

*Undersecretary, Competitiveness and Innovation Group,
Department of Trade and Industry*

Graciela Miralles Murciego

Senior Economist, The World Bank Group

Mochammad Hendry Setyawan

*Head of Borneo Regional Office, Indonesia Competition
Commission*

Lito Villanueva

*Executive Vice President and Chief Inclusion Officer, Rizal
Commercial Banking Corporation and Chairman,
FinTechAlliance.ph*

Thomas Cheng

Associate Professor, University of Hong Kong

12:00-12:15PM

CLOSING REMARKS

Macario De Claro, Jr.

Commissioner, Philippine Competition Commission

12:15-1:45PM

LUNCH

1:45 ONWARDS

TOUR (OPTIONAL)