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The Law Society's European Group

**Annual Conference 2006**

**Le Châtelain, Brussels**

**Thursday 22 and Friday 23 June**

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**Programme and Booking Form**

10hrs CDP points

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**LSEG Conference Chair:**

**Lesley Farrell**

## **About the event**

This year, the Law Society's European Group returns to Brussels for its Annual Conference which will take place in Hotel Le Châtelain situated just off the Avenue Louise. I hope very much to welcome as many of you as possible, LSEG members and non-members alike, to the Conference.

The Conference offers an opportunity to spend some time reflecting on and debating some of the most important developments in EU law. Issues of major interest which will be covered in the conference programme include Private Enforcement of competition Law, the Article 82 review and the State Aid Action Plan. In addition, we have sessions on the draft Directive on services in the internal market and the interface between competition law and intellectual property law.

We have an excellent panel of speakers, including

senior officials from the European Commission and the OFT, as well as leading academics and practitioners (barristers, solicitors and economists), all of whom have extensive experience in the field and are thus able to provide valuable insights into the issues under discussion.

The conference itself offers exceptional value for money by including one night's accommodation at Hotel Le Châtelain, as well as a place at the conference Dinner which will take place on Thursday evening.

If you are not already a member of the LSEG, I would encourage you to take the opportunity of joining when you sign up for the conference. We anticipate that the conference will be extremely popular so please make your booking as soon as you can.

I look forward to seeing you in Brussels.



# PROGRAMME

## Thursday 22 June

- 12.00pm **Registration and Lunch**
- 2.00 - 2.15pm **Welcome by the Conference Chair:**  
Lesley Farrell, SJ Berwin LLP
- 2.15pm **Session 1 - Economics And The Law**  
Professor John Kay, Visiting Professor at  
The London School of Economics  
Professor Richard Whish,  
King's College, London
- 3.15 - 3.30pm **Break**
- 3.30 - 5.30pm **Session 2**  
**Private Enforcement of Competition Law**  
The Commission's Green Paper on Damages  
Case Study  
Stephen Kon, Partner, SJ Berwin LLP,  
Head of the EC & Competition Law Department  
Derek Ridyard, RBB Economics  
Eddy De Smijter, DG Competition,  
European Commission  
Vincent Smith, Director of Competition  
Enforcement Division, Office of Fair Trading  
Kevin Arquit, Partner, Simpson Thacher
- 7.00pm **Conference Dinner** - Chateau St. Anne,  
Rue du Vieux Moulin 103, B-1160 Brussels  
Speaker : Lowri Evans,  
Deputy Director General with  
special responsibility for mergers,  
DG Competition, European Commission

## Friday 23 June

- 9.00 - 9.40am **Chair's Introductory Remarks:**  
Lesley Farrell  
**Keynote Speech :** Margaret Bloom,  
Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer,  
King's College, London
- 9.40 - 11.20am **Session 3 - Article 82 -  
Commission Review**
- Dominance
  - Rebates
  - Refusal to Supply
  - The Use of Cost Benchmarks
- Margaret Bloom,  
Freshfields Bruckhaus  
Deringer, King's College, London  
John Temple Lang,  
Cleary Gottlieb  
Steen & Hamilton  
Lars Kjoelbye, DG Competition,  
European Commission  
Luc Peeperkorn, DG Competition,  
European Commission
- 11.20 - 11.40am **Break**
- 11.40 - 1.00pm **Session 4 - The Draft Directive on  
Services in the Internal Market**
- The Amended Commission Proposal
  - The Scope of the Directive
  - Specific Sectors
- Margot Froehlinger, Head of Unit,  
Services I, Internal Market and Services,  
European Commission  
Michael Renouf, Berwin Leighton Paisner
- 1.00 - 2.15pm **Lunch**
- 2.15 - 3.15pm **Session 5 - Developments in State  
Aid Law**
- The Commission's State Aid Action Plan:  
Progress to Date
  - Taxation and State Aid : Recent  
Developments in the Case law
  - Private Enforcement of State aid Rules
  - Recovery of Unlawful Aid : Result of the  
Commission's Survey
  - Rules for R&D/Innovation and Risk Capital
- Conor Quigley QC, Brick Court Chambers  
Thibaut Kleiner, Directorate 1, DG  
Competition, European Commission  
Dr. Andreas Bartosch, Haver & Mailänder,  
Brussels & European State Aid Law Institute,  
Berlin
- 3.15 - 3.30pm **Break**
- 3.30 - 5.00pm **Session 6 - Interface between  
Competition and IP Law**
- The Microsoft Case
  - The Decision in AstraZeneca
  - Patent Ambushing/Patent Settlements
- Christopher Thomas, Lovells, Brussels  
James Flynn QC, Brick Court Chambers  
Kevin Coates, DG Competition,  
European Commission

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Travelling by EUROSTAR to Brussels

By Eurostar from London Waterloo to Brussels will take 2hrs 40 mins with a choice of 10 trains a day. For up-to-date information about fares and timetables, please contact Eurostar direct, details as below:-

Eurostar timetables and information: [www.eurostar.com](http://www.eurostar.com)

Eurostar bookings from the UK:  
**08705 186 186**

### Conference Venue

Le Châtelain,  
Rue du Châtelain 17,  
1000 Brussels, Belgium  
Tel: +32 (0)2646 00 55  
Fax: +32 (0)2 646 00 88

### Conference Dinner

The Conference Dinner will be held at Château Sainte Anne which is approximately 25 minutes from the Le Châtelain. Coach transport will

be arranged for delegates to attend the Dinner at this stunning, historic venue. A ticket is included in the Conference Registration fees but additional tickets can also be purchased for clients, colleagues and guests not attending the Conference.

### Joining Instructions

These will be sent approximately two weeks before the Conference.

### Conference FEES

The Conference fees are £675 + VAT for members; £780 + VAT for non-members; £390 + VAT for trainees or unemployed delegates. They include attendance at all business sessions, documentation, lunch and dinner and one night's single occupancy accommodation on Thursday at the Le Châtelain and refreshments (including lunch) on Friday. Please note that travel is not included in the registration fees. Please select your preferred option below.

## DELEGATE REGISTRATION FORM

Please use **BLOCK CAPITALS** and photocopy this form if you are applying for multiple places.

Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss/Other \_\_\_\_\_ Forename \_\_\_\_\_

Surname \_\_\_\_\_ Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Post Code \_\_\_\_\_ Tel \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**LSEG Membership** A subscription to The Law Society's European Group (LSEG) will provide you with immediate access to an annual programme of talks on EU law; a free subscription to the journal 'Lawyers Europe'; plus notification of a number of other social and educational events, all of which carry CPD credit.

If you are not already a member but would look to join now and thus benefit from the reduced conference fees, please indicate below, under Conference Fees.

**Fully-Inclusive Conference Fees** Conference sessions, documentation, all refreshments, conference dinner, bed and breakfast

LSEG Members:  £675 + VAT (£793.13)

Non-Members:  £780 + VAT (£916.50)

Trainee / unemployed:  £390 + VAT (£458.25)

LSEG Annual Membership:  £35 (membership is VAT exempt)

**Full Conference Attendance Fees (No Accommodation)** Conference sessions, documentation, all refreshments and conference dinner

LSEG Members:  £595 + VAT (£721.21)

Non-Members:  £700 + VAT (£848.48)

Trainee / unemployed:  £350 + VAT (£424.24)

**You may also purchase additional tickets for the Dinner for your colleagues and clients:**

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ tickets at £70 + VAT (£82.25)

**Payment** One cheque should be sent for all delegates. Payment is required in advance of the Conference, and should be paid in pounds sterling. We regret that payment cannot be made by credit card.

I enclose a sterling cheque payable to **The Law Society's European Group** for the following fees:

**Total Fees:** £ \_\_\_\_\_

and/or I require an invoice

LSEG VAT registration number is 241 3928 71

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Cancellation** Please note that in the event of cancellation no refunds will be made but substitute delegates are welcome. Please advise us of any changes as soon as possible.

**Completed forms together with payment should be returned to:**

Hannah Walker, Everyevent, The Coach House, Sharman Road, Worcester, WR1 3LA

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