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Competition Law in the Digital, Intelligent, and Sustainable Economy



Bogazici University Albert Hall Bebek, 34342 Beşiktaş/İstanbul, Türkiye

Nov 7 2025 - 9AM - 6PM

In an era defined by digital transformation, environmental urgency, innovation and artificial intelligence, competition law faces unprecedented challenges. This one-day international conference brings together academics, practitioners, regulators, and private sector representatives to explore how competition policy must adapt to safeguard innovation, sustainability, and market fairness.

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CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

9:00-9:30 Registration & Welcome Coffee

9:30-10:00 Opening Remarks

- Dr. Asli Helvacioglu (Bogazici University),
- Dr. Hanna Stakheyeva (GW Competition & Innovation Lab)
- Professor Aurelien Portuese (George Washington University)

10:00-10:30 Keynote Address

"The Future of Competition Law in a Rapidly Changing Global Order"

• Antonio Capobianco (OECD)

10:30-12:00 Competition in the Digital Economy

- Moderator: Dr. Asli Helvacioglu (Bogazici University)
- Featured speech: "Platform Power and Digital Regulation: Global Lessons, Local Realities" by Esin Aygun (Turkish Competition Authority)
- Panelists: Dr Zeynep Ayata (Istanbul Policy Center/Sabanci University), Selcuk Yilmaz (TCA), Can Saricicek (ACTECON), Natasha Afinogenova (Google), Cavit Yantac (Microsoft)

12:00-12:15 Coffee Break

12:15-1:15 From Algorithms to Accountability: Navigating Al's Impact on Competition Law

- Moderator: Dr. Kerem Cem Sanli (Bilgi University)
- Panelists: Dr. Christian Bergqvist (University of Copenhagen), Elena Ponte (Federal Trade Commission), Dr. Philipp Roos (Freshfields), Sencer Ecer (Compass Lexecon)

1:15-2:15 Lunch Break

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2:15-3:15 Sustainability in the Shadow of the Competition Policy

- Moderator: Dr. Muzaffer Eroglu (Bogazici University)
- Panelists: Dr. Julian Nowag (Lund University/University of Hong Kong), Elif Acelya Balki (Migros Group), Dr. Hanna Stakheyeva (The GW Competition & Innovation Lab)

3:15-4:15 Green Claims Under Scrutiny: Tackling Deception in the Market

- Moderator: Dr. Eda Sahin (Spa Bath University)
- Panelists: Hande Karakulah (L'Oreal), Sezin Turan (RE&UP Recycling Technologies), A. Deniz Altinay (Norton Rose Fulbright/Pekin Bayar Mizrahi), Meltem Bağış Akkaya (TCA)

4:15-4:30 Coffee Break

4:30-5:15 Competition Law 2030: Strategic Outlook - Bridging Policy and Practice

- Moderator: Dr. Fevzi Toksoy (ACTECON)
- Panelists: Dr. Mathew Heim (GW Competition & Innovation Lab),
 Müge Bulat Çetinkaya (Borusan Boru), Prof. Aurelien
- Portuese (The George Washington University), Dr. Asli Helvacioglu (Bogazici University)

5:15-5:30 Closing Keynote Address

"Resilient Markets, Empowered Consumers: A New Vision for Competition"

• Teresa Moreira (UNCTAD)

5:30-5:45 Final Reflections