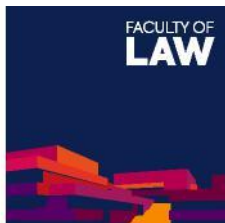


Advanced Programme on Competition Law and the Digital Economy

23–25th June 2025



Welcome

In the rapidly evolving digital economy, navigating the legal and regulatory aspects is a complex task. Gaining access to the latest research, perspectives and people at the heart of this dynamic sector is essential.

“The Advanced Programme on Competition Law and the Digital Economy has been designed to deepen the understanding of digital market dynamics, the growing power of key industry players, current enforcement, and regulatory responses.

Sessions will offer a deep dive into the rise of the platform economy, the role of data analytics and artificial intelligence, practical enforcement and compliance considerations.

Join us and engage in stimulating cross-functional discussion with practitioners, in-house lawyers, consultants, industry experts, scholars and enforcement officials.”

Ariel Ezrachi, Slaughter and May Professor of Competition Law, University of Oxford.



Who is the programme for?

The programme is designed to enrich the knowledge of solicitors and barristers, in-house counsel, consultants, industry experts, directors, and enforcers, interested in the law, economics and policy that govern competition in digital markets.

Benefits

To you

- Access a cutting edge review of recent developments and enforcement trajectory
- Discuss the risks, opportunities, and compliance implications for companies across the value chain
- Gain perspectives from leading experts from some of the most influential law firms, economic consultancies, and organisations active in this dynamic sector
- Network with peers in an exclusive, small-group setting
- Contribute towards your annual Continued Professional Development requirement
- Join the Faculty of Law Professional Development Programmes alumni for life

To your organisation

- Introduce enriched understanding within your organisation of the scope and limits of competition law and regulation, as well as business, risk and compliance implications
- Enhance your knowledge and expertise with practical insights and learnings your organisation can start applying immediately
- Cascade learning through your team and into the wider organisation
- Make deeper cross-organisational connections

Why Oxford

The convening power of the Faculty of Law, Oxford University, and the Oxford Centre for Competition Law and Policy, brings together an unrivalled cohort of expertise in the fields of digital markets, competition enforcement and regulation.

Participants will access latest research and practical insights from our expert speakers to create an immersive learning environment, with knowledge that can be applied to real world challenges in this area.



The programme will cover:

- Digital Market dynamics
- Market definition
- Platforms and Ecosystems power
- Abuse of dominance
- Algorithmic collusion and alignment
- Cooperation and contractual restrictions
- The EU Digital Markets Act
- The EU Digital Services Act
- The UK Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act
- Merger control
- Innovation
- Complaints and private enforcement
- Compliance and risk mitigation
- Generative Artificial Intelligence and competition

Expert speakers

We will bring together a diverse group of experts from the world of digital competition law, combining legal and economic viewpoints, policy perspectives, research insights, and strategic avenues to protect your rights and interests.

The programme is led by our Academic Director, Ariel Ezrachi, Slaughter and May Professor of Competition Law and Director of the Centre for Competition Law and Policy at Oxford University.

Professor Ezrachi is a leading authority in the field of competition law and digital markets. He has authored and co-authored numerous articles and reports, and several influential books including *Virtual Competition* (Harvard, 2016), *Competition Overdose* (Harper Collins 2020), and *How Big-Tech Barons Smash Innovation* (HarperCollins 2022). Professor Ezrachi's research and commentary on digital competition have been featured in *The Economist*, *The New Yorker*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Financial Times*, *The Guardian*, *Nikkei*, *New Scientist*, *Politico*, *WIRED*, *BBC*, *The Times*, *Forbes*, and other international outlets.

Guest experts and contributors*

Pinar Akman, University of Leeds and
Competition Appeal Tribunal

Nitika Bagaria, Keystone

Konstantina Bania, Geradin Partners

Kristina Barbov, Microsoft [TBC]

Oliver Bethell, Google

Lucia Bonova, Digital Platforms, DG
COMP, European Commission

Filomena Chirico, Digital Markets, DG
Connect, European Commission

Avantika Chowdhury, OXERA

Tim Cowan, Preiskel & Co

Rosa Curling, FoxGlove

Katie Curry, RBB Economics

Alexandre De Streel, CERRE and the
University of Namur

Kirsten Edwards-Warren, Compass Lexecon
Jordan Elison, Slaughter and May

Lucilia Falsarella-Pereira, Competition and
Markets Authority

Jenine Hulsmann, Weil

Aaron Khan, Digital Markets Unit,
Competition and Markets Authority

Oliver Latham, Charles River Associates

Nicholas Levy, Cleary Gottlieb Steen &
Hamilton

Liza Lovdahl Gormsen, British Institute of
International & Comparative Law

Kristina Nordlander, Independent Consultant

Aidan Robertson KC, Brick Court Chambers
and Oxford University

Alex Stratakis, Van Bael & Bellis

* List of speakers may be subject to change

Programme outline*

Advanced Programme on Competition Law and the Digital Economy

23 June 2025

13h00-14h00

Assembly, registration & refreshments

14h00-14h15

Introduction

Ariel Ezrachi, Oxford University

14h15-15h00

Digital Market Dynamics

Ariel Ezrachi, Oxford University

15h00-16h00

Digital ecosystems, platforms and market definition -
Key takeaways from the EU, US & UK

Avantika Chowdhury, OXERA

Ariel Ezrachi, Oxford University

16h00-16h30

Coffee Break

16h30-18h15

Abuse of dominance – Exclusion and exploitations in
the digital economy - Key takeaways from the EU, US
& UK

Pinar Akman, University of Leeds and Competition Appeal Tribunal

Katie Curry, RBB Economics

Jordan Ellison, Slaughter and May

19h00

Reception & dinner - Pembroke College Hall

Dinner Keynote

Lucia Bonova, Digital Platforms, DG COMP, European Commission

24 June 2025

08h00-08h45

Breakfast (Pembroke College Hall)

09h00-10h30

EU Regulatory framework - The EU DMA, DSA, AI
Act, Data Act – Scope and practical implications for
companies across the value chain.

Konstantina Bania, Geradin Partners

Filomena Chirico, Digital Markets, DG Connect, European Commission

Alexandre De Streel, CERRE and the University of Namur

10h30-10h45

Coffee break

10h45-12h00

Panel Discussion

EU Regulatory Framework – Compliance, legal
risks and key takeaways

Moderator: Ariel Ezrachi, Oxford University

Konstantina Bania, Geradin Partners

Kristina Barbov, Microsoft [TBC]

Oliver Bethell, Google

Filomena Chirico, Digital Markets, DG Connect, European Commission

Alexandre De Streel, CERRE and the University of Namur

12h00-12h20

Ice cream break

12h20-13h20

UK DMCC - Scope and implications for companies
across the value chain

Tim Cowan, Preiskel & Co

Aaron Khan, Digital Markets Unit, Competition and Markets Authority

13h20-14h30

Lunch

14h30-15h45

Litigation and private actions

Liza Lovdahl Gormsen, British Institute of International & Comparative Law

Aidan Robertson KC, Brick Court Chambers and Oxford University

15h45-16h15

Coffee break

16h15-17h45

Panel discussion

Secure your objectives under competition law and
regulatory tools

Moderator: Ariel Ezrachi, Oxford University

Tim Cowan, Preiskel & Co

Rosa Curling, FoxGlove

Oliver Latham, Charles River Associates

Liza Lovdahl Gormsen, British Institute of International & Comparative Law

Aidan Robertson KC, Brick Court Chambers and Oxford University

18h00-late

Dinner and free time to network and explore Oxford

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25 June 2025

08h00–08h45

Breakfast

09h00–10h15

Algorithmic collusion, cooperation and contractual restrictions

Ariel Ezrachi, Oxford University

Lucilia Falsarella-Pereira, Competition and Markets Authority

10h15–10h30

Coffee break

10h30–12h00

Panel Discussion

Merger control, efficiencies, innovation and remedies in the digital economy

Moderator: Ariel Ezrachi, Oxford University

Kirsten Edwards-Warren, Compass Lexecon

Jenine Hulsmann, Weil

Nicholas Levy, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton

Alex Stratakis, Van Bael & Bellis

12h00–12h45

Lunch

12h45–14h00

Generative AI and competition – Disruption, entrenchment, and regulatory response

Nitika Bagaria, Keystone

Ariel Ezrachi, Oxford University

Kristina Nordlander, Independent Consultant

14h00–14h15

Concluding remarks

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Programme accommodation



The programme will be hosted at
Pembroke College, Oxford.

Celebrating its 400th anniversary, Pembroke College offers a distinctive conference venue at the heart of Oxford's historic city centre.

Sessions will take place in modern conference facilities, while delegates will also enjoy the college traditional setting, with breakfast and dinner served in the College dining hall that was built in 1848 and offers a fine example of early Victorian Gothic architecture.



Professor Ezrachi will be hosting a formal dinner in Pembroke College with Lucia Bonova, Head of Unit, Digital Platforms, DG COMP, European Commission

Programme fees and how to apply

The programme will take place on 23-25th June 2025.

Apply for the programme

For more information and to apply for the programme please [visit our website](#).

If you have questions on any aspect of the programme please contact:

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Start your application



Fees

£3,300, plus £350 accommodation, meals, and keynote dinner at Pembroke College

Oxford alumni discounts are available upon application

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