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Cloud Empires

How can we regain control?

Isabell Claus, thinkers GmbH
Vili Lehdonvirta, University of Oxford
Thomas Reutterer, WU Vienna
Vicky Robertson, WU Vienna

Moderated by:
Michael Stampfer, WWTF

June 12, 2024, 6pm
Library & Learning Center Festsaal 1

Cloud Empires

On 12 June 2024, we discuss how Big Tech has come to rule the internet like autocrats, and what we can do about it. If you are in Vienna, join Vili Lehdonvirta (University of Oxford), Isabell Claus (thinkers GmbH), Thomas Reutterer (WU Vienna) and [Vicky Robertson](#), who will be talking about what competition law can contribute to injecting competition into digital platform markets. Michael Stampfer (WWTF) is moderating. Registration: <http://wu.at/matters-cloud>

Call for Papers: The New Market Definition Notice

The *Journal of Antitrust Enforcement* is launching a call for papers for a Special Issue on the implications of the new Market Definition Notice (EU 2024) and th Merger Guidelines (US 2023), guest edited by Magali Eben and [Vicky Robertson](#). Topics include new approaches to market definition and how to rely on it. Submit your abstracts with ideas for papers until **17 June 2024**. And stay tuned for a workshop at The Hub on 20 November 2024! Find out more [here](#).



Call for Papers by the Journal of Antitrust Enforcement: Implications of the New Market Definition Notice

On 8 February 2024, the European Commission published a new [Market Definition Notice](#). The Notice re-examines the legal and economic principles of the last two decades as well as clarifying how concepts like "relevant market", the "substantial lessening of competition" test, and "competitive effects" will now be applied. It is expected that the Notice has already enabled a high level of clarity for market definition in its subject. Part of the Notice has already enabled a high level of clarity for market definition in its subject. Part of the Notice has already enabled a high level of clarity for market definition in its subject.

Possible topics include, but are not limited to:

- The legal character of market definition
- Conceptual and legal underpinnings of the market definition
- Market definition and its relationship to the assessment of competitive effects
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The Economic Driver of Gaming Ecosystems

In a recent contribution in SpoPrax, [Fabian Ziermann](#) outlines the role of network effects and orchestration in eSports and gaming ecosystems. He discusses the evolution of gaming from hardware-centric to software-centric ecosystems, the intricacies of gaining and maintaining market power, and the economic cost thereof. Access [here](#).

Competition in AI

On 4 June 2024, CERRE invited to discuss innovation and competition in foundational technologies. Discussants included Brad Smith (President Microsoft), Olivier Guersent (Director General of DG COMP), Benoît Coeuré (President AdIC) and [Vicky Robertson](#). Bruno Liebhaber (CERRE) moderated the discussion on tools for AI governance. Rewatch [here!](#)



Tackling the Entrenchment of Bottleneck-Power

In the Austrian Competition Journal, [Fabian Ziermann](#) discusses the changing landscape of European merger control, from *Continental Can* to *Towercast*. The article is available [here](#).

The new *Kodex Competition Law* brings together all relevant legal materials of competition law in one handy book and can be used by practitioners, academics and students. [Vicky Robertson](#) edited the collection, which you can obtain [here](#).



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