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### 14.00 – 15.00 h **Opening Session – Business or Government – Who is shaping our economy?**

<i>Welcome</i>	<b>Andreas Mundt</b> , President, Bundeskartellamt, Bonn
<i>Interview</i>	<b>Peter Altmaier</b> , Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy, Berlin <b>Margrethe Vestager</b> , Executive Vice-President and European Commissioner for Competition, Brussels <b>Isabelle de Silva (Interviewer)</b> , President, Autorité de la Concurrence, Paris <b>Andreas Mundt (Interviewer)</b> , President, Bundeskartellamt, Bonn

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### 15.00 – 16.00 h **Panel I: Regulate them or break them up? – The Role of Competition Policy towards Big Tech**

<i>Moderator</i>	<b>Rupprecht Podszun</b> , Professor of Law and Director of the Institute for Competition Law, Heinrich-Heine University, Düsseldorf
<i>Panelists</i>	<b>Cristina Caffarra</b> , Senior Consultant, Charles River Associates, London <b>Andrea Coscelli</b> , Chief Executive, Competition and Markets Authority, London <b>Monika Schnitzer</b> , Professor of Comparative Economics, Ludwig-Maximilians-University, and Member of the German Council of Economic Experts, Munich <b>Rod Sims</b> , Chair and Agency Head, Australian Competition and Consumer Commission, Canberra <b>Rebecca Kelly Slaughter</b> , Acting Chairwoman, US Federal Trade Commission, Washington DC <b>Philipp Steinberg</b> , Director-General, Economic Policy, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy, Berlin
<i>Discussion</i>	<i>How to address the paramount dominance of digital platforms? What role for competition policy and does it live up to its role? Is further regulation the solution or do we need to break up super-dominant businesses in the end?</i>

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### 16.00 – 16.10 h **Keynote** **Christian Klein**, Chief Executive Officer, SAP SE, Walldorf

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### 16.10 – 17.00 h **Panel II: Pain or gain? – The Future of Public Policy Objectives in Competition Law**

<i>Moderator</i>	<b>Ingo Brinker</b> , Partner, GleissLutz, and Chairman of the Competition Lawyers' Association, Munich/Brussels
<i>Panelists</i>	<b>Tembinkosi Bonakele</b> , Commissioner, Competition Commission of South Africa, Pretoria <b>Olivier Guersent</b> , Director-General for Competition, European Commission, Brussels <b>Alejandra Palacios-Prieto</b> , Chairwoman, Mexican Federal Economic Competition Commission, Mexico City <b>Martijn Snoep</b> , Chairman, Netherlands Authority for Consumers & Markets, Den Haag <b>Achim Wambach</b> , Professor of Economics, University of Mannheim, and President of the ZEW – Leibniz Centre for European Economic Research, Mannheim
<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Ecological and social aspects as well as more general considerations of fairness are gaining more and more attention. Despite a certain complementarity between protecting competition and other public policy objectives, there may also be tensions and competition authorities might not be best placed to balance them. How can they stand up to the challenge?</i>

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### 17.00 h *Closing* **Andreas Mundt**, President, Bundeskartellamt, Bonn