



ICN Roundtable Discussion
The Future of the ICN in its Second Decade
Tuesday, April 5, 2016
Washington, DC

The Roundtable discussions will draw from the ongoing follow-up to the ICN's 2010-11 Second Decade project, which evaluated the ICN's strengths and identified needed improvements. This year, the ICN Steering Group launched a network-wide consultation to ensure that the ICN still meets its members' needs and that the ICN work products have the desired impact. The results of the Second Decade follow-up will be presented at the ICN annual conference at the end of April. The Roundtable will provide an early opportunity to discuss the findings and propose ideas on how to achieve the ICN's strategic goals. Discussions will alternate between presentation of key issues and small "table talk" discussion groups.

9:00-9:45 Registration and coffee

9:45-10:00 Opening Remarks

- **Edith Ramirez**, Chairwoman, U.S. Federal Trade Commission
- **Andreas Mundt**, ICN Chair and President, Bundeskartellamt

10:00-12:30 Morning Session: Looking Outward: ICN's External Impact

During the morning session, the discussion will address the ICN's goals of improving members' domestic enforcement and advocacy; facilitating substantive and procedural convergence toward good practice; and facilitating cooperation among members. In evaluating these goals, the discussion will cover the substantive achievements of the ICN's work product and the challenge of promoting awareness, use, and implementation of ICN work product.

10:00-10:45 Panel 1

Speakers with long-time ICN experience will discuss ICN's substantive work with the aim of introducing issues for discussion.

10:45-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-12:00 Table Talk (small group discussion led by moderators and based on a set of discussion questions)

Discussion Questions:

- Views on ICN's existing work: How is work product being used? How is it useful? Does it have domestic impact? Is it the right content, for the right audience? What might be improved?
- On convergence, how can the ICN bridge remaining differences through work product?
- How can the ICN make members more aware of ICN work product and better promote its use and implementation?
- Should the ICN do more to support its members, e.g. assistance with reforms? Is there a useful role for the ICN to be more of an international advocate for competition principles? Should the ICN more actively engage other international organizations?

12:00-12:30 Table Talk Report Back (a facilitator draws top takeaways from each table discussion)

12:30-2:00 Lunch

2:00-4:00 Afternoon Session: Looking Inward: ICN's Internal Challenges

During the afternoon session, the discussion will focus on ICN strategic priorities, including potential new topics or areas of focus for ICN work, enhancing member and NGA participation, and quality control for work product,.

2:00-2:45 Panel 2

Panelists with ICN experience to discuss topics such as: the state of ICN's virtual institutional structure – is it sufficiently flexible and robust for ICN's needs; member participation and the role of non-governmental advisors (NGAs) – sufficiently inclusive?; new topics to address in ICN future work; ICN's overall mission and framework – are the network's 2001 goals and framework still suitable in 2016?

2:45-3:45 Table Talk & Roundtable Wrap Up

Participants will discuss the institutional considerations identified in the Second Decade follow-up project and suggestions that could inform the ICN's development of the project recommendations. A room facilitator will reserve 15 minutes to solicit top takeaways from each table.

Discussion Questions:

- What are the top enforcement and policy issues that the ICN has not yet addressed or warrant more attention?
- How can ICN improve the way it accomplishes its work? Suggestions for facilitating consensus building towards convergence. How can the ICN achieve meaningful recommendations, and on what topics?
- Ideas for effective working procedures for working groups, workshops, and conferences. Can we improve ICN's approach to knowledge management and institutional memory?
- How can the ICN better engage its members? How can it overcome constraints to participation? How can the ICN encourage the participation of additional NGAs? How can it improve communication with members and NGAs?

3:45-4:00 Closing Remarks

- **William Baer**, Assistant Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice, Antitrust Division