

# Competition Law Stakeholders' Workshop on The ASEAN Competition Compliance Experience Survey-Study (ACCESS)



## FRIDAY 21 MAY 2021 , 3.30 PM TO 6.10 PM (SGT, +8 GMT) ZOOM REGISTRATION LINK (Chatham House rules apply)

This workshop aims to present the findings and draft recommendations of the ACCESS (ASEAN Competition Compliance Experience Survey-Study) project conducted by the EW Barker Centre for Law and Business to study the opportunities for, and obstacles towards, greater harmonisation and convergence between the national competition law frameworks of the ASEAN Member States.

The results of the study will be analysed to determine which specific areas of substantive or procedural competition law can or should be reformed to facilitate the goals of the ASEAN Economic Community as set out in the AEC Blueprint and the ASEAN Competition Action Plan 2025.

Workshop is complimentary for participants **not** claiming CPD Points.

Cost of Workshop – S\$160.50 (Incl. 7% GST)



Public CPD Points: 2.5 Practice Area: Competition Law Training Level: Foundation



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| PROGRAMME                      |  |
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| 3.30 PM – 3.35 PM<br>(5 mins)  | Welcome by Workshop Organisers<br>Ms Ng Ee Kia, Advisory Board member for EW Barker Centre for<br>Law & Business and Assistant Chief Executive (Policy, Business &<br>Economics) for Competition Consumer Commission of Singapore  |
| 3.35 PM – 3.45 PM<br>(10 mins) | Introduction by Dr Burton Ong, Head (Competition Law Research),<br>EW Barker Centre for Law & Business   |
| 3.45PM – 4.45 PM<br>(60 mins)  | Session 1: Cross-Border Competition Law Compliance Issues in ASEAN   |
|                                | Speakers: Dr Andrea Gideon & Ms Anastasia Pritahayu  |
|                                | In this session, the speaker(s) will provide an overview and analysis<br>of the legal and practical issues arising from cross-border<br>competition law compliance matters encountered by stakeholders<br>in their dealings with the ASEAN competition law authorities.<br>Topics covered in this session will include anti-cartel-related<br>proceedings (investigations, whistleblowing and leniency),<br>notifications (negative clearance for agreements and merger<br>review) and other competition law related matters that straddle<br>two or more ASEAN Member States. |
|                                | The discussion will also examine some of the proposals made by<br>ACCESS participants to overcome the legal and practical challenges<br>encountered by stakeholders when engaging with regional or<br>cross-border competition law issues.   |
| 4.45 PM – 5.00 PM<br>(15 mins) | Break  |
| 5.00 PM – 6.00 PM<br>(60 mins) | Session 2: <mark>Developing a Regional Competition Law for the ASEAN</mark><br>Economic Community  |
|                                | Speakers: Dr Burton Ong & Ms Sita Zimpel   |
|                                | In this session, the speakers will present the preliminary findings<br>and recommendations of the ACCESS project, focusing on its<br>proposals to achieve greater harmonisation and convergence<br>between the national competition law frameworks of the ASEAN<br>Member States in light of the regionalisation goals of the ASEAN<br>Economic Community.   |



|                                | Workshop participants will be given the opportunity to engage<br>with these proposals and contribute their views as to their<br>reasonableness, desirability and feasibility in light of the AEC's<br>competition policy aspirations within the ASEAN Competition<br>Action Plan 2025. |
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| 6.00 PM – 6:10 PM<br>(10 mins) | Session 3: Summary and Q&A   |
|                                | This closing session will summarise the main discussion points covered in the previous workshop sessions, as well as to clarify any residual questions arising therefrom.  |
| 6.10 PM                        | End of Workshop  |



## **SPEAKERS' PROFILES**

#### Ng Ee Kia

Advisory Board member for EW Barker Centre for Law & Business & Assistant Chief Executive (Policy, Business & Economics) for Competition Consumer Commission of Singapore



Ee Kia is the Assistant Chief Executive (Policy, Business & Economics) at the Competition and Consumer Commission of Singapore (CCCS). Ee Kia is trained in both competition economics and law and has private as well as public sector experience in competition policy, economics, and law. She is familiar with economic regulations, particularly in the telecommunications and media industries. Prior to CCCS, Ee Kia co-headed the competition and regulatory practice at one of the largest law firms in Singapore. She has also spent eight years at the telecommunications regulators in Singapore and Hong Kong, working on a wide range of competition and regulatory issues.

#### Andrea Gideon Adjunct Senior Research Fellow (National University of Singapore) and Lecturer in Law (University of Liverpool)



Andrea is a permanent member of academic staff at the University of Liverpool. She adjourned this position from August 2015 to February 2017 to pursue a Postdoctoral Research Fellowship at the National University of Singapore jointly funded by the EW Barker Centre for Law and Business (EWBCLB) and the Competition and Consumer Commission Singapore (CCCS) during which time she was also appointed a non-governmental advisor to the International Competition Network by CCCS. From August 2018 to July 2019 she was again seconded to work on another research project at EWBCLB. She was a Visiting Researcher at the University of Malaya in March 2018 for which had been awarded competitive funding from the University of Liverpool's Early Career Researcher Fund. Andrea is now, next to her work for the University of Liverpool, an

Adjunct Senior Research Fellow at EWBCLB to work on a research project on competition law reform in ASEAN with Ass Prof Dr Burton Ong.

Anastasia Pritahayu Senior Economist Assegaf Hamzah & Partners



As a senior economist in competition & antitrust law practice for more than13 years, Anastasia has been advising on high-profile and multi-jurisdictional matters. She provides economics advice on competition issues ranging from dominance and vertical restraints, to market allocations in various industries.

Her expertise in international cartel law was honed since she was still at Rizkiyana & Iswanto, a boutique competition law firm. During her time there, she was also entrusted to lead a multi-jurisdictional compliance assessment in aviation for more than 10 countries. Since she joined AHP, she was the lead economist to defend multiple major cartel allegation cases. Anastasia's merger control projects ranging from advising the deal structure from competition perspective to filing the transaction to the KPPU, the Indonesia

Competition Commission. Among of her international merger filings are the deals made by private equity. On the competition compliance's side, she has been a key player for every competition audit performed by the firm. Aside from competition, Anastasia also holds crucial position for the trade remedy of which she recently successfully assisted the client from a dumping allegation.



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#### Burton Ong Head (Competition Law Research) EW Barker Centre for Law & Business



Dr Burton Ong, LLB (NUS); LLM (Harv); BCL/DPhil (Oxon) is an Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore (NUS), where he teaches and researches in the fields of competition law, intellectual property, and contract law. He is an Advocate and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore, as well as an Attorney and Counsellor-at-Law in New York State. He is a member of the Ministry of Trade and Industry's Competition Appeal Board, an IP Adjudicator with the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore and sits on the dispute resolution panel of the Casino Regulatory Authority. He is a Director (Competition Law) at the EW Barker Centre for Law and Business at the National University of Singapore. He is the editor of "The Regionalisation of Competition Law and Policy Within the ASEAN Economic Community" (2018), published by Cambridge University Press.

#### Sita Zimpel Principal Advisor ASEAN, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH (GIZ)



Sita Zimpel has more than 13 years of professional experience in the area of international development cooperation, implementing various German-funded projects on economic policy and regional integration since 2007. She is currently project manager and advisor for the Deutsche Gesellschaft fuer Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, focusing on competition and consumer protection in Indonesia and ASEAN.