

COLLOQUY

COMPETITION LAW AND POLICY TRENDS IN JAPAN'S DIGITAL ECONOMY

Today, akin to jurisdictions around the world, Japan is considering an ex-ante antitrust regime. In February 2021, Japan came up with a law to regulate large digital platforms from a consumer protection standpoint. The Japanese Fair Trade Commission, which enforces competition law, has conducted several market studies to understand the prevailing market dynamics in sectors such as cloud services and mobile app stores. Japan is one of the world's largest and most dynamic economies, and also one of the world's most important antitrust jurisdictions.

PURPOSE

This colloquy is for experts who understand the nuances of ongoing debate and wish to understand the ongoing proposals related to regulation of digital economy in a clearer manner.

In this colloquy, Japan's antitrust regime is in focus.

SPEAKER

DR. YUSUKE TAKAMIYA

Dr. Yusuke Takamiya is a partner at the Tokyo HQ of Mori Hamada & Matsumoto, one of Japan's most prestigious law firms. He advises multiple clients on matters relating to merger control, cartel/leniency, unilateral conduct, and unfair trade practices.



He also focuses on antitrust issues in the digital economy like big data and, algorithmic collusion, metaverse and generative AI. Dr. Takamiya serves as an International Competition Network's Non-Government Advisor to the Japan Fair Trade Commission and a member of the Globalization, Innovation and Competition Policy project at the Research Institute of Economy, Trade and Industry of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry and served for a visiting researcher for the Competition Policy Research Center of the Japan Fair Trade Commission.

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PROGRAMME: FRIDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 2023

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| 2.00 – 2.05 PM | Setting the context
Gokul Plaha, CIRC |
| 2.05 – 2.25 PM | Presentation by Dr. Yusuke Takamiya:
Competition Law and Policy Trends in
Japan's Digital Economy |
| 2.25 – 2.55 PM | Free-flowing discussion |
| 2.55 – 3.00 PM | Summarizing the discussion
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