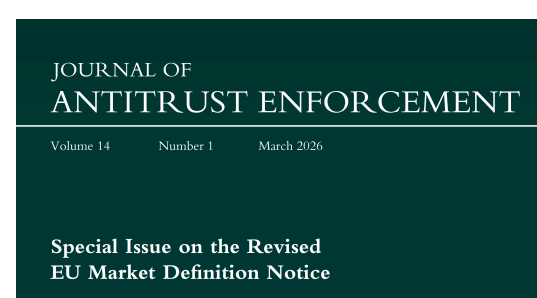




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[Special Issue on the EU Market Definition Notice](#)

The European Commission's revised Market Definition Notice, published in 2024, brought many changes and updates to this central analytical step in EU competition law. A Special Issue in the [Journal of Antitrust Enforcement](#) puts a spotlight on the Notice's novelties, its intricacies and the questions it raises. The Special Issue was brought together by guest editors Magali Eben (CREATE, University of Glasgow) and The Hub's [Vicky Robertson](#) (WU Vienna). Their editorial can be read in open access [here](#).

[DMA High-Level Group](#)

At the 6th plenary meeting of the High-Level Group for the DMA [Vicky Robertson](#) was invited as an academic expert to contribute to a discussion on the future of digital regulation in the European Union. In her talk, she discussed her research on coherence in EU platform regulation (with [Klaudia Majcher](#), see [here](#)), the external benchmark approach (with Ariel Ezrachi, see [here](#)) and on the complementarity of EU competition law and the DMA (see [here](#)). [Belle Beems](#), The Hub's former visiting research fellow, also spoke at the meeting.



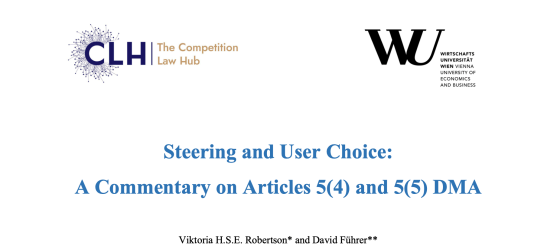
[Fabian Ziermann awarded PhD](#)

[Fabian Ziermann](#) successfully defended his doctoral thesis entitled 'Player Copyrights and Antitrust Ecosystems in eSports and Gaming' and was awarded the doctorate in law by WU Vienna. His doctoral committee consisted of [Vicky Robertson](#) (WU Vienna, CLH), Andrew Murray (LSE) and Martin Winner (WU Vienna). Fabian conducted his research supported by a [DOC grant](#) of the Austrian Academy of Sciences.



[Book Award for Klaudia Majcher](#)

[Klaudia Majcher's](#) book on 'Coherence between Data Protection and Competition Law in Digital Markets' was awarded the Irena & Jerzy Wiszniewski Foundation Award for the best scholarly work in the field of trademarks, patents and competition law. Published by Oxford University Press in 2023, when Klaudia was Assistant Professor at WU Vienna, the book argues for a more integrated approach to enforcing competition law and data protection in digital markets. Many congratulations, Klaudia!

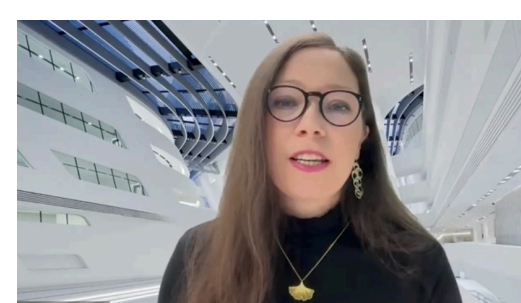


[Steering and User Choice in the DMA](#)

[Vicky Robertson](#) and [David Fijhrer](#) just published a working paper version of their analysis of Articles 5(4) and 5(5) Digital Markets Act (DMA) on [SSRN](#). These two provisions enshrine business users' right to steer their customers away from gatekeepers' app stores, as well as users' right to access content they acquired off a core platform service. The contribution is forthcoming in a comprehensive commentary on the Digital Markets Act, edited by Ioannis Kokkoris (Queen Mary University London).

[Politics & Competition Law](#)

[Vicky Robertson](#) participated in the ASCOLA NOEL panel discussion on "Politics & Competition Law", together with fellow panelists Maciej Bernatt, Soojin Nam and John Newman. Our former visiting fellow [Thomas Cheng](#) acted as moderator. The panel explored the "right" relationship between politics and competition law, the extent to which competition law has been politicised in different jurisdictions, and at what point politicisation turns into instrumentalisation. You can re-watch the panel discussion [here](#).



[Data-Driven Enforcement of Competition Law](#)

[Franziska Guggi](#) presented her ongoing PhD research in the Seminar on Recent Developments in EU Competition Law, organised by Fernando Castillo de la Torre and Eric Gippini-Fournier (both European Commission Legal Service) at Universidad CEU San Pablo in Madrid, Spain. During a panel on AI and competition law, she illustrated how data-driven tools can support competition authorities in their enforcement work.

[ICN Unilateral Conduct Workshop 2026](#)

At the 2026 ICN Unilateral Conduct Workshop in Prague [Vicky Robertson](#) joined the delegation of the European Commission as a Non-Governmental Advisor to DG COMP. The Workshop was hosted by the Czech Competition Authority UOHS. Vicky contributed to the panel on remedies and commitments in unilateral conduct cases and shared her research on data-driven tools for competition enforcement, focusing on data-driven monitoring of remedies, its opportunities and challenges.



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