

## World competition conference hosted by Hungary attracted significant interest

Budapest, 19 October 2021 – Hosted by the Hungarian Competition Authority the online Annual Conference of the International Competition Network (ICN), which brings together the competition authorities from around the world, attracted significant international interest between 13 and 15 October.

The annual conference of the International Competition Network (ICN), hosted by the Hungarian Competition Authority this year, has been closed on 15 October. The online event attracted an outstanding interest: 1,768 competition law experts from 97 countries have registered for the program.

During the three-day conference, with the help of more than 100 speakers, the staff of the competition authorities, legal experts and journalists of the domestic and foreign press were able to learn about the latest achievements in competition law and the possibilities of law enforcement in international context. In the framework of the conference, the President of the Hungarian Competition Authority presented the <u>path-breaking international survey conducted by the GVH examining the interactions between environmental sustainability and competition law</u>.

'I would like to thank Mr. Andreas Mundt and the Steering Group of the International Competition Network for the honour to trust the Hungarian Competition Authority with organising the conference. Both the number of participants and the feedbacks confirm that we were able to live up to the advanced trust of the international competition community. Thanks to the more than 100 speakers from around the world participating in the panel discussions of the conference, without whom we would not have been able to complete a high-quality professional conference. I thank the Government of Hungary for providing the necessary resources for the conference' – said Csaba Balázs Rigó, President of the Hungarian Competition Authority.

In 2022, the next host of the conference will be the German Bundeskartellamt: In the spring of 2022, representatives and experts from the competition authorities all around the world are invited in Berlin.

The plenary sessions of the 2021 Annual Conference of the International Competition Network hosted by Hungary are available on the website of the event: <a href="https://icn2021budapest.hu">https://icn2021budapest.hu</a>.

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