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**DATE:** 27 – 28 February 2018

**LOCATION:** Kazakhstan, Almaty, Royal Tulip Almaty, 401 - 2 M. Ospanov st.

## **ABOUT FORUM:**

Key mission of the Eurasian Antimonopoly Forum (Forum) is to strengthen ties between Europe and Asia by creating an international dialogue platform for the exchange of views on antitrust issues among scientific and expert communities, government agencies and businesses.

In 2018, the main theme of Forum is the discussion of antimonopoly policy implementation in different states in the light of activities of integration associations and international organizations.

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## **INFORMATIONAL SUPPORT:**

Journal "Market and Competition" (Astana, Kazakhstan)  
Journal "Expert of Kazakhstan" (Almaty, Kazakhstan)  
Newspaper "Business and Power" (Almaty, Kazakhstan)  
Legal Practice (Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan)  
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## **SUPPORTED BY:**

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# Draft Agenda

**Tuesday February 27, 2018**

9:00 – 9:30	<b>REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS</b>	
9:30 – 9:40	<b>Opening Remarks</b>	
9:40 – 11:30	<b>SESSION 1. Judicial consideration of court cases about antitrust violations</b> This session will discuss practical and methodological issues of judicial consideration of court cases about antitrust violations. Speakers will be representatives of judicial bodies, antitrust agencies (national and supranational), as well as interested experts and scholars	
11:30 – 11:45	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>	
11:45 – 13:30	<b>SESSION 2. Identification of cartel agreements in procurement</b> This session will discuss legal and practical issues of identification and investigation of cartel agreements in procurement in countries of Europe and Asia (on the territory of the Eurasian continent). Speakers will be representatives of state bodies in European and Asian countries, international organizations and experts	
13.30 – 14.30	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>	
14:30 – 16:00	<b>SESSION 3. Dominant position in the market. Definition of market power</b> This session will discuss legal and practical issues of antitrust regulation regarding to determination of dominant position in countries of Europe and Asia (on the territory of the Eurasian continent). Speakers will be representatives of state bodies in European and Asian countries, integration associations and international organizations	
16.00 – 16.15	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>	
16.15 – 18.00	<b>PARALLEL SESSIONS</b>	
	<b>SESSION 4. Preventive measures of antitrust violations</b> The session is devoted to various aspects of application of preventive measures of antitrust violations, such as warnings, compliance, etc. in legislation and practice of countries in Eurasia. Speakers will be representatives of state bodies and leading experts	<b>Seminar for judges (closed format)</b> During this seminar, judges from European countries and integration associations (EU, EEU) will share their practical experience with colleagues
18:30 – 22:00	<b>GALA DINNER</b>	

**Wednesday February 28, 2018**

10.00 – 11.30	<b>Business game. Hypothetical cartel case</b> The business game aims to consider approaches to determine cartel characteristics, as well as proof and evidence collection of cartel collusion

11.30 – 12.00	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>	
12.00 – 13.30	<b>PARALLEL SESSIONS</b>	
	<p><b>Training. How to exclude antitrust risks?</b></p> <p>The system of antimonopoly control is aimed to prevent and restrain restrictive business practices on the part of market participants (abuse of dominant position, anticompetitive concerted actions and agreements), as well as actions that have characteristics of unfair competition. Cases of anticompetitive behavior result in the form of high penalties and requirements aimed at restoring competitive market conditions. During the training, experts and employees of antitrust authorities will simulate and solve how to avoid antitrust risks and prevent anticompetitive behavior</p>	<p><b>Training seminar for employees of antitrust authorities (closed format)</b></p> <p>During this seminar experts and employees of antitrust authorities will discuss methods of identification and investigation of antitrust violations</p>
13.30 – 13.40	<b>CLOSING REMARKS</b>	
13.40 – 14.40	<b>LUNCH</b>	
15.00 – 19.00	<b>CULTURAL PROGRAMME</b>	