

Advances in Competition Law and Policy - Heike Schweitzer in memoriam

MaCCI Law and Economics Conference

23 – 24 October 2025, Mannheim • Conference venue:

ZEW – Leibniz-Centre for European Economics Research, L7,1, 68161 Mannheim, Germany

PROGRAM

THURSDAY, 23 October 2025

13.30 – 14.00 Arrival and Registration

WELCOME COFFEE

14.00 – 14.15 **WELCOME ADDRESS**

Achim Wambach (ZEW and MaCCI)

14.15 – 15.00 **Andreas Engert** (Freie Universität Berlin)
“Law’s rulishness”

15.00 – 15.30 **COFFEE BREAK**

15.30 – 17.00 **Justus Haucap** (University of Düsseldorf)
“Merger control, innovation and industrial policy”

Konrad Ost (Bundeskartellamt)

“The Consultation On Regulation 1/2003 and stricter national laws on unilateral conduct: History doesn't repeat, but it often rhymes”

17.00 – 17.30 **COFFEE BREAK**

- 17.30 – 19.00 **Silke Heinz** (Heinz & Zagrosek)
“The Commission's decisions against Apple re. Art. 5(4) DMA (steering) - first indications and conclusions on the DMA enforcement in substance”
- Massimo Motta** (Universitat Pompeu Fabra and Barcelona Graduate School of Economics)
“Exclusionary abuses: Economic considerations on recent developments”
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19.30 **CONFERENCE DINNER**

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FRIDAY, 24 October 2025

- 9.00 – 10.30 **Johannes Laitenberger** (General Court)
“Heike Schweitzer’s views on ‘How To Fix A Failing Art. 102 TFEU’ and recent jurisprudence”
- Pierre Larouche** (Université de Montréal)
“AI and competition policy: Revisiting the Schweitzer et al. report to the European Commission”
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10.30 – 11.00 **COFFEE BREAK**

- 11.00 – 12.30 **Juliane Mendelsohn** (Ilmenau University of Technology)
“Normative power and exploitative abuse - navigating Heike Schweitzer’s notion of the Privatrechtsgesellschaft”
- Wolfgang Kerber** (University of Bonn)
“‘Private law society’, freedom, competition, and market regulation: The perspective of Heike Schweitzer”
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12.30 – 12.45 **CLOSING REMARKS**

Thomas Fetzer (University of Mannheim and MaCCI)

12.45 – 14.00

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