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VENUE: SAS RADISSON Hotel, 1010 Wien, Parkring 16

The working session topics for Vienna, which I have received from the scientific committee will be as follows:

Question 1: "Should a competition authority have a complete discretion as regards investigating cases of infringement and on what criteria should that discretion be exercised?"

Question 2: "What are the criteria that determine the unlawfulness of so called "look alikes"; what are the prohibitions and the appropriate sanctions?"

Panel discussion: "Issues arising from online marketing"-

- *Vertical price fixing (DB will ask an US in house lawyer – who at the same time could figure as national reporter on Q 1);*
- *Parallel Imports & IP (JLF will ask someone from the Richman Group);*
- *Liability of IP Providers (CB will ask someone from e-Bay);*
- *Consumer-aspects (PR will ask someone from UK consumer organisations).*

The President of the *French Conseil de la Concurrence* will be invited to be the chairman.

For the keynote speaker, apart from the expected contribution from the director of the Austrian Competition Authority, it was decided to invite a prominent US speaker to address the topic:

"New Frontiers in Antitrust Liability: Abuses of Patent Settlements and Standardmaking"

Dr. Michael Meyenburg