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European competition and consumer day Wednesday 14 - Thursday 15 September 2005, London

Better markets, better choices

Wednesday 14 September

Welcome reception 19:00 - 21:00

Thursday 15 September

08:30 - 09:30	Registration
09:30 – 09:45	Opening comments (Sir John Vickers)
09:45 – 10:00	Keynote speaker: Secretary of State Trade and Industry
10:00 – 10:30	Keynote speaker: Neelie Kroes, European Commissioner for Competition
10:30 – 11:00	Break
11:00 – 12:30	Session I: retail financial services
	 Chair: Peter Freeman, Deputy Chairman, UK Competition Commission Speakers : Dr John Fingleton, Chairperson, Irish Competition Authority and Sir Callum McCarthy, Chairman, Financial Services Authority, UK Panel discussion with Jonathan Evans MEP and Jim Murray, Director, BEUC, the European Consumers' Organisation 30 min open discussion
12.20 - 12.45	Buffot lunch

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13:45 – 14:15	Keynote speaker: Deborah Platt Majoras, Chair, Federal Trade Commission, US
14:15 – 15:45	Session II: private healthcare markets
	 Chair: Pieter Kalbfleisch, Chairman, Netherlands Competition Authority Speakers: Jonathan May, Divisional Director, Markets and Policy Initiatives, Office of Fair Trading, UK and Agne Pantelouri, Director of Consumer Affairs, European Commission Directorate-General for Health and Consumer Protection Panel discussion with Ed Mayo, Chief Executive, National Consumer Council, UK and Christiane Köber, Executive Board, Wettbewerbszentrale, Germany 30 min open discussion
15:45 – 16:15	Break
16:15 – 17:00	Session III: competition and consumer policy: future priorities
	 Chair: Sir Christopher Bellamy, President, Competition Appeal Tribunal, UK Speakers: John Sunderland, President, Confederation of British Industry and Phil Evans, Principal Policy Adviser, Which? – the UK consumer association Panel discussion with Karin Lindell – Director General and Consumer Ombudsman, Swedish Consumer Agency
17:00 – 17:10	Closing summary (Sir John Vickers)