**Call for Papers**

**The Competition Law Scholars Forum (CLaSF) and**

**the Centre for Antitrust and Regulatory Studies, University of Warsaw**

invite contributions to a workshop

***“Reform of Regulation 1/2003 –Effectiveness of the NCAs and Beyond”***

**At the University of Warsaw, on Friday 28th April 2017**

The Competition Law Scholars Forum (CLaSF) will be running a workshop on Friday 28th April 2017 at the University of Warsaw, Faculty of Management, Warsaw, Poland. The subject of the workshop will be the broad theme of ‘*Reform of Regulation 1/2003 – Effectiveness of NCAs and Beyond’*.

We invite abstract paper proposals from researchers, scholars, practitioners and policy-makers in relation to any issue within this broad theme. We welcome theoretical, economics-driven, practice-based or policy focused papers, and we are interested in receiving abstracts for papers which may be focused on perspectives or experience at national, regional (eg EU), or international levels, or a combination.

Contributions are invited particularly in the field of the following matters:

* Reform of Regulation 1/2003 – reactions to the EU Commission’s envisaged actions[[1]](#footnote-1)
* Independence of the NCAs
* Weaknesses of the NCAs: effective sanctions, leniency and inspections?
* The NCAs financial and expert resources
* Balancing effectiveness of the NCAs with respect to due process rights and transparency
* Effectiveness of the NCAs and judicial review by national courts (scope, intensity, level of expertness, structure)
* Functioning and effectiveness of the ECN
* Application of EU competition law by NCAs – divergence or convergence?
* The role of the EU Commission
* Local context and culture and the NCAs

The conference will consist of a mix of invited speakers and contributions chosen following this call for papers.

* Any person interested in being considered on the basis of the call for papers at the conference is asked to contact Professor Barry Rodger at [barry.j.rodger@strath.ac.uk](mailto:barry.j.rodger@strath.ac.uk). **An abstract is required of approximately 500-1000 words, to be submitted by no later than December 15, 2016, and decisions on successful submissions will be taken by January 15, 2017.** Submission of presentation/draft paper is also required a week prior to the workshop.

Papers presented at the conference can be submitted to the Competition Law Review editorial board with a view to being published in the Review. Note that the Review is a fully refereed scholarly law journal: submission does not guarantee publication.

1. See <http://ec.europa.eu/smart-regulation/roadmaps/docs/2017_comp_001_iia_ecn_project_en.pdf>. See more <http://ec.europa.eu/competition/consultations/2015_effective_enforcers/index_en.html> [↑](#footnote-ref-1)