



# **FINAL REPORT**

## HERBERT SMITH FREEHILLS COMPETITION LAW MOOT 2024



Winning Team: The University of Hong Kong



PARTNER OF THE COMPETITION

**COMPETITION LAW MOOT** 

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## **Oral Round**

London, 14-15 June 2024

## **Organising Team**

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#### **Judges**

Peter Alexiadis	Visiting Professor, King's College London	
Stephen Wisking*	Partner, Competition, Regulation and Trade, Herbert Smith Freehills	
Professor Alison Jones*	Vice Dean and Professor of Law, King's College London	
Ingrid Vandenborre	Partner, Antitrust/Competition, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher &	
	Flom	
Frances Barr	Procedural Officer, UK Competition and Markets Authority	
<b>Christopher Brown</b>	Barrister, Matrix Chambers and Visiting Fellow, King's College	
	London	
Sungmin Cho	Associate, Herbert Smith Freehills	
Eric Morrison	Technical Specialist, Financial Conducts Authority and Visiting	
	Fellow, King's College London	
Sean Giles	Sean Giles Senior Associate, Herbert Smith Freehills	
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Dr Amber Darr	Lecturer in Competition Law, University of Manchester Law		
	School		
Liana Sandulescu	Associate, Linklaters		
Abhijeet Sinha	Senior Associate, Herbert Smith Freehills		
Gulalay Hammad	Principal Case Officer, UK Competition and Markets Authority		
Florian Bourdon	Associate, A&O Shearman		
Anastasija Rogozianskaja	Assistant Director, UK Competition and Markets Authority		
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The Right Hon Lady Rose of Colmworth*	Justice of the UK Supreme Court		
Todor Papanov	Senior Associate, Van Bael & Bellis		
William Kovacic*	Professor at George Washington University and former FTC Chairman		

\* Judge in the Final Panel

#### **Problem question**

Many thanks to **Professor Alison Jones, Dr Andriani Kalintiri, Dorothy Livingston** and **Stephen Wisking** for preparing the problem question.





### **Participating teams**

#### **ORAL ROUND – QUALIFIED TEAMS**

UNIVERSITY	COUNTRY	ALIAS
University of Antwerp	Belgium	Prechal
The University of Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Ziemele
Catholic University of Lille	France	Gratsias
University of Amsterdam	The Netherlands	Jääskinen
National Law University, Jodhpur	India	llešič
Hidayatullah National Law University	India	Rantos
Eötvös Lóránd University of Budapest, Hungary	Hungary	Reed
National University of Singapore	Singapore	Jarukaitis
National Law University Delhi	India	Szpunar
Utrecht University	The Netherlands	Wahl
National University of Advanced Legal Studies, Kochi, India	India	Spineanu-Matei
University of Belgrade Faculty of Law	Serbia	Pitruzzella

#### Written pleadings - 49 PARTICIPANTS:

24 teams from India;

9 teams from the United Kingdom;

3 teams each from France, The Netherlands, and Hong Kong

1 team each from Belgium, Serbia, Singapore, Hungary, Brazil, Czechia, Cambodia

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#### Written Round Ranking

1 University of Antwerp

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- 2 The University of Hong Kong
- 3 Catholic University of Lille
- 4 University of Amsterdam
- 5 National Law University, Jodhpur
- 6 Hidayatullah National Law University
- 7 Eötvös Lóránd University of Budapest, Hungary
- 8 National University of Singapore
- 9 National Law University Delhi
- 10 Utrecht University
- 11 National University of Advanced Legal Studies, Kochi, India
- 12 University of Belgrade Faculty of Law

#### Oral Round Schedule & Outcomes

	Preliminary Round		
Group A	Prechal (C) - Ilešič (D)	llešič (C) - <b>Szpunar</b> (D)	Szpunar (C) - <b>Prechal</b> (D)
Group B	Ziemele (C) - Rantos (D)	Rantos (C) - Wahl (D)	Wahl (C) - Ziemele (D)
		Reed (C) - Spineanu-	Spineanu-Matei (C) -
Group C	Gratsias (C) - Reed (D)	Matei (D)	Gratsias (D)
		Jarukaitis (C) - Pitruzzella	Pitruzzella (C) - Jääskinen
<b>Group D</b>	Jääskinen (C) - Jarukaitis (D)	(D)	(D)

	Quarter-Finals		
QF1	Prechal (C) - <b>Wahl</b> (D)	Semi-finals	
QF2	Ziemele (C) - Szupunar (D)	Wahl (C) – Spineanu- Matei (D)	Finals
QF3	Jaaskinen (C) - <b>Spineanu-</b> <b>Matei</b> (D)	Pittruzella C v Ziemele (D)	Ziemele (C) v Wahl (D)
QF4	Reed (C) - Pitruzella (D)		



(C) is for Claimant, (D) is for Defendant. The winning teams are in **bold**.

#### **Awards**

Winning Team

The University of Hong Kong

King Hei Chan, Zee Faith Lee, Ching Ho Wong, Connor Thomas Gregory

Runner-up Team

Utrecht University Kriszta Portik, Helen Wychgel, Enno Kern, Manu Batra

**Best Written Pleadings** 

**University of Antwerp** Basile Coëme, Viktória Húšťová, Benita Masengesho, Ján Zbín

Best Advocate

**Connor Gregory** The University of Hong Kong

The following participants were also commended for their excellent advocacy during the competition:

Ján Zbín (University of Antwerp), Andrej Zdravković (University of Belgrade), Marija Vranic (University of Belgrade), Faith Lee (University of Hong Kong), Ching Ho Wong (University of Hong Kong), Milind Khemka (National Law University Delhi), Divya Upadhyay (National University of Advanced Legal Studies, Kochi, India), Helen Wychgel (Utrecht University), Enno Kern (Utrecht University).

Congratulations!

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