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# MALAYSIA COMPETITION CONFERENCE 2017 "COMPETITION LAW: BREAKING NORMS, MANAGING CHANGE"

KUALA LUMPUR, 6 March 2017 – The Malaysia Competition Commission (MyCC) was established on 1 April 2011 to enforce the provisions contained in the Competition Act 2010 (CA 2010). In accordance with the establishment of the MyCC, one of its key objectives is to raise awareness among the public on the importance of the CA 2010 to businesses, consumers and its overall benefits as whole to the nation's economy.

In line with such objective, the MyCC is organizing the Malaysia Competition Conference 2017 with a theme called 'COMPETITION LAW: BREAKING NORMS, MANAGING CHANGE'. The conference will be officiated by His Royal Highness Paduka Seri Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah Ibni Almarhum Sultan Azlan Muhibbuddin Shah Al-Maghfurlah, the Sultan of Perak. The MyCC is proud to present a strong line-up of world-renowned speakers who are experts in their jurisdictions from as many as 5 different continents. These experts will share their best practices and experiences with our local and international audience.

The media's participation in disseminating the conference information to the public will greatly contribute towards our country's aspiration to improve and enhance the competitive business environment in Malaysia as well as towards consumers' protection.

In summary, this conference serves as an effective platform for deeper exposure on competition policies where knowledge and experiences are imparted first hand from the experts. This is a great opportunity to understand how the law is implemented and enforced in the other parts of the world. The experience that will be gained from this significant event is undoubtedly beneficial to a broad audience of consumers, regulators, enforcement agencies and business owners. A snapshot on the hot topics which will be covered in this conference include the role of the Judiciary in



Competition Law and Policy, Competition Law and its Directions, Enforcement of Competition Law, Protecting Small and Medium-sized Enterprises and many more.

#### The confirmed VIPs who will be in attendance are:

- I. His Royal Highness Paduka Seri Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah Ibni Almarhum Sultan Azlan Muhibbuddin Shah Al-Maghfurlah, the Sultan of Perak
- II. YB Dato' Seri Hamzah Zainuddin, Minister of Domestic Trade, Co-operatives and Consumerism
- III. YBhg.Tan Sri Dato' Seri Norma Yaakob, Chairman of the MyCC

### The list of international and local speakers:

- 1. Dennis Davis, Judge President, Competition Appeal Court, Republic of South Africa;
- 2. Ragunath Kesavan, Member of the Commission, Malaysia Competition Commission (MyCC);
- Andrey Tsyganov, Deputy Head, Federal Antimonopoly Service of Russia (FAS);
- Y.Bhg. Datuk (Dr.) Hafsah Hashim, Chief Executive Officer, SME Corp. Malaysia;
- 5. Dr. Michael Schaper, Deputy Chair, Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC);
- 6. Marcus Bezzi, Executive General Manager, Competition Enforcement, ACCC;
- 7. Thomas Kramler, Head of the Digital Single Market Task Force, Directorate-General Competition for Competition, European Commission (EC);
- 8. Dr. Derek Ritzmann, Senior Vice President, COMPASS LEXECON;
- 9. Dr. Joao Eduardo Gata, Principal Advisor, Portuguese Competition Authority;
- Christof Vollmer, Rapporteur of the 10th Decision Division, The Federal Cartel Office of Germany (Bundeskartellamt);



- Carlos Mena Labarthe, Head of Investigation Authority and Director of the Division for Cartel and Interstate Commerce Restrictions, Federal Economic Competition Commission, Mexico;
- Marvin N. Price Jr., Director of Criminal Enforcement, Department of Justice (DOJ), United States of America;
- 13. Professor Dr. Alberto Heimler, Chair, OECD Regulatory Committee;
- 14. Professor Dato' Dr. S. Sothi Rachagan, Member of the Commission, Malaysia Competition Commission, MyCC;
- 15. Rose Webb, Chief Executive Officer, Hong Kong Competition Commission;
- 16. Anne Riley, Chair, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Task Force on Compliance & Advocacy

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## About Malaysia Competition Commission (MyCC)

Established in June 2011, MyCC is an independent body responsible for enforcing the Competition Act 2010, which was implemented to create healthy competition which would in turn stimulate productivity and innovation, thus creating wider choices of products for consumers with better quality at reasonable prices. The Act applies to all commercial activities undertaken within and outside Malaysia that affect competition in the Malaysian market. It provides a regulatory framework including powers to investigate, adjudicate and impose penalties on the perpetrators of anti-competitive practices/ conduct under the competition laws. For more information on the Act and the MyCC's activities, log on to www.mycc.gov.my