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26 NOVEMBER 2021 (10:00-16:00)

Online event

10:00-10:10

OPENING STATEMENT

Commissioner for Justice **Didier Reynders**

10:10-10:40

MORNING PLENARY SESSION

Main features of the Directive on Representative Actions

Blanca Rodriguez Galindo, Deputy Director,
Head of Unit Consumer and Marketing Law, DG Justice and Consumers

10:40-11:00

Coffee Break

11:00-13:00

MORNING THEMATIC DEBATES

Main regulatory choices under the Representative Actions Directive

Designation of qualified entities/admissibility of actions

Rapporteur:

Prof. Dr Xandra Kramer,
Erasmus University Rotterdam
and Utrecht University,
Netherlands

Panellists:

Raphaël Chauvelot-Rattier,
Policy Officer, Ministry of Economy
and Finance, DGCCRF, France

Luis Silveira Rodrigues,
Vice-President, DECO,
the Portuguese Association for
Consumer Protection, Portugal

Jolanda Girzl,
Vice Chair of Consumer Working
Group, Business Europe

Prof. Dr Georg Kodek,
LLM, Judge at the Austrian
Supreme Court, Professor at
Vienna University of Business
and Economics, Austria

Funding of actions and public assistance to qualified entities

Rapporteur:

Prof. Dr Ianika Tzankova,
Tilburg University,
Netherlands

Panellists:

Paulien van der Grinten,
Senior Legislative Lawyer,
Ministry of Justice and
Security, Netherlands

Augusta Maciuleviciute,
Senior Legal Officer, Team
Leader, BEUC, the European
Consumer Organisation,
Belgium

Erwan Bertrand,
Head of Single Market Policy,
Eurochambres, Belgium

Thomas Kohlmeier,
Co-CEO and Partner, Nivalion,
Switzerland

Consumer information, participation in actions and redress distribution

Rapporteur:

Prof. Dr Magdalena Tulibacka,
Emory University School of Law,
Atlanta, United States

Panellists:

Andreia Luz,
Legal Adviser, Consumer Law
Service, Ministry of Economy
and Digital Transition, Portugal

Paolo Martinello,
President of Altroconsumo
Foundation, Italy

José María Campos Gorriño,
Legal Director, CEOE,
the Spanish Confederation of
Business Organizations, Spain

Prof. Dr Stefaan Voet,
Associate Professor of Civil
Procedure, Faculty of Law, Leuven
Centre for Public Law, Belgium

13:00-14:30

Lunch Break

14:30-16:00

AFTERNOON PLENARY SESSION

**Reporting from thematic debates
Main challenges, opportunities and priorities**

Collective redress as a necessary tool for consumer protection
by **Prof. Dr Catherine Piché**, Associate Dean, Research & International Affairs,
Faculty of Law, University of Montreal, Canada

Concluding remarks by **Nils Behrndt**, Acting Deputy Director-General,
DG Justice and Consumers