

MINUTES

regarding the T.R.A.D.E. Commission Meeting

held via video-conferencing at the First Virtual Annual Congress

on Wednesday, 26 August 2020, from 1.15pm-2.15pm

1. Welcome

- T.R.A.D.E. Commission Vice-Presidents Janine Reudt-Demont and Jelle Blom welcome everybody and open the meeting
- The presence of President Ben Rohrsen is excused
- Attendees list, see attached: names of attendees were jotted down during the virtual meeting

2. Short introduction of the Commission to new members and short introduction of the present new members

- This agenda item was skipped as, at the time, only familiar faces were present at the meeting

3. A great "THANK YOU" to Caroline Conrad-Behr who steps down as one of the Commission's Communication Officers and a big "THANK YOU" to Elena Kadelburger who continues as Communication Officer on her own

- The T.R.A.D.E. Commission Officers thank Caroline Conrad-Behr for all she has done in the past for the Commission, in particular during her role as Co-Communication Officer, but also as OC member of the very successful Athens seminar
- Caroline Conrad-Behr will step down due to the AIJA age guillotine
- The T.R.A.D.E. Commission Officers are glad to announce that Elena Kadelburger will continue as Communication Officer on her own and thank her for all her past efforts and future commitment

4. Approval of the Commission Minutes (Half Year Conference Miami)

- The Minutes of the last T.R.A.D.E. Commission Meeting held during the HYC Miami on 31 October 2019 are approved by virtual acclamation

5. Feedback on the Commission's recent activities

- Jelle and Janine give a short update on the Commission's recent activities, including in particular the three virtual Commission meetings over the past months during which in particular the postponement of the Porto seminar was discussed and during which our

member Anna Zabrotskaya updated us on the newly initiated track & tracing system for goods imported to and circulated within Russia

6. Update on the Commission's activities for 2020 and 2021

- Jelle and Janine give an update on the Commission's planned future activities as follows:
 - **Annual Virtual Congress - Webinar #6** | The global digital ecosystem: A market for every business, today, 26 August 2020, from 4pm
 - inter alia organized by Gustavo Papeschi, who informs on the webinar's content
 - organized together with the Antitrust and the IP/TMT Commission
 - To be planned: **informal E-Coffee** or similar online meeting in autumn – more information to follow
 - **AIJA Commissions Month from 20 October to 20 November 2020:**
From 20 October to 20 November 2020, all 21 academic commissions are invited to hold their autumn seminar days and commission meetings on the AIJA virtual event platform in the form of a double seminar. Programs will take place every second day and the platform will remain open the entire month for networking, accessing recordings, and meeting partners. An all-inclusive 'virtual passport' will grant unlimited access for participants to AIJA Commissions Month. The experience and the pricing of registration fees will be similar to the First Virtual Annual Congress.

Any ideas for topics are very welcome! We also encourage 1-2 member(s) to volunteer as OC and organize our session (including looking for interesting speakers etc.). Please contact one of the Officers.

Chloe mentions the idea of having a joint networking session with IP & TMT, which idea is greatly welcomed.

AIJA's President Paola Fudakowska underlines the efforts done by the AIJA Office and encourages all present to actively participate in the Commissions Month and to continue supporting AIJA.

- Hopefully the T.R.A.D.E. Commission's next in-person event will be at the **Half Year Conference in Gothenburg** (26-29 May 2021; topic: The Future of Mobility – Navigating a Revolution) – The T.R.A.D.E. Officers are currently talking to the OC in order to get one or more slots – ideas for topics as well as OC-volunteers are very welcome!
- Next **Annual T.R.A.D.E. Conference**

- will be held in **Porto**, hopefully in October 2021
 - Academic Program for 2021 will be announced soon via the Academic Program Committee
 - Officers will keep members updated
 - topic will likely still be "Retail Tech – How technology influences retail business and the underlying contracts "
 - OC still consists of Bruno de Zezere Barradas as local OC-member and Manish Bahl, Renato Bucher, Giuliano Stasio as well as Hendrikje Herrmann as scientific OC-members
 - speakers and program are generally set
- Thereafter: still idea to organize a **seminar in Moscow (now in 2022)** together with the Antitrust Commission
 - OC-members are: Boris Ostroukhov, Alexander Katzendorn, Anna Zabrotskaya and Giorgia Carandente
 - Officers will keep members updated – in the meanwhile, if you have an idea on a topic you wish to discuss in Moscow, please approach one of the OC members mentioned

7. Feedback on the Commission's Newsletters and encouragement to send in interesting articles, comments, etc.

8. Encouragement to be active in the Commission's Social Media network on LinkedIn

9. General information on AIJA's planned next Flagship Events:

- Marika Devaux (as part of the OC) informs on the **Spring Legal Forum Lyon** taking place from 18-20 March 2021: topics include the fintech revolution, dealing with a sovereign state and governments in action – who pays the bill – the OC also includes T.R.A.D.E. member Joyce Pitcher
- Maria Jennerholm and Alex Watt (both as part of the OC) inform on the **HYC Gothenburg** and T.R.A.D.E.'s possible involvement, as mentioned above
- Beatrice Stange as one of the Work Coordinators informs on the **Annual Congress Zurich**, to be held in one year from 24-28 August 2021, on Innovation, where T.R.A.D.E. is teamed up with the Litigation and the Insolvency Commissions – more information to follow by e-mail of the Work Coordinators – encouragement to see the Zurich booth and watch the video
- **HYC Dubai** – dates and topics to be announced

10. Varia

- None

The T.R.A.D.E. Officers Janine Reudt-Demont and Jelle Blom close the meeting at 2pm.

Attendees List:

- Jan Henning Martens
- Renato Bucher
- Rebekka Stumpfrock
- Paola Fudakowska
- Olivier Sasserath
- Dhruv Kakar
- Marika Devaux
- Maria Jennerholm
- Marek Holka
- Jean-Philippe Arroyo
- Andrea (?)
- George Manikas
- Gustavo Papeschi
- Caroline Conrad-Behr
- Chloe Taylor
- Alessandro Paci
- Alex Watt
- Marco Gardino
- Marc Krestin
- Beatrice Stange
- Edvinas Meskys

