

# Competition policy contributing to the European Green Deal

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## Programme

**Master of Ceremony:** Arianna Podesta, European Commission Spokesperson for Competition

09:00 – 09:10 **Opening remarks** by Margrethe Vestager, Executive Vice-President, European Commission

09:10 – 09:20 **Keynote speech** by Frans Timmermans, Executive Vice-President, European Commission

09:20 – 10:20 ***Our political ambition: What do we want to achieve?***

Moderator: Margrethe Vestager, Executive Vice-President, European Commission

Panelists:

- Sven Giegold, MEP
- Pedro Siza Vieira, Minister of Economy, Portugal
- Philippe Aghion, Professor, Collège de France
- Mechthild Wörsdörfer, Director Sustainability, Technology and Outlooks, International Energy Agency

10:20 – 10:40 Break

10:40 – 11:40 ***Innovation, green growth and the competition rules***

Moderator: Cristina Caffarra, CRA

Panelists:

- Kadri Simson, Commissioner for Energy, European Commission
- Artur Dela, CEO & founder, ENERIS Group
- Marco Alverà, CEO, SNAM
- Wendel Trio, Director, Climate Action Network

11:40 – 11:50 Break

11:50 – 13:00 ***What the current antitrust and merger rules deliver, and what they don't ...***

Moderator: Pierre Régibeau, Chief Economist, DG Competition

Panelists:

- Margarida Matos Rosa, President, Portuguese Competition Authority
- Maarten Pieter Schinkel, Professor, University of Amsterdam
- Vanessa Turner, Senior Adviser – Competition, BEUC
- Dirk Middelschulte, Global General Counsel Competition, Unilever

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break

14:00 – 15:00 ***What the current State aid rules deliver, and what they don't ...***

Moderator: Céline Gauer, Director-General, Recovery and Resilience Task Force

Panelists:

- Matthias Buck, Head of European Energy Policy, Agora Energiewende
- Suzanne Kingston, Professor, University College Dublin
- Natalia Fabra, Professor, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid
- Luminița Odobescu, Ambassador, Permanent Representation of Romania to the European Union

15:00 **Closing remarks** by Olivier Guersent, Director-General, DG Competition