CIPCO Round Table

Competition (law) in the era of algorithms

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Algorithm-driven computer programs have become key instruments for market success in a digitalized economy. In a world of ever more complex, even self-learning algorithms, (competition) law is facing new challenges:

- How do (self-learning) algorithms actually work, for instance when they adapt prices autonomously?
- Do classic economic models, such as the homo oeconomicus paradigm, apply to interactions between algorithms?
- Which approach have foreign competition authorities (US, EU) taken so far when dealing with algorithms?
- Is the Swiss Cartel Act fit to deal with mergers, cartels and dominant undertakings in algorithm-driven markets?

Based on a previous workshop, these and other questions will be debated at the Round Table, hosted by CIPCO and the Europa Institut at the University of Zurich.

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