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Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection

AGENDA

14th Meeting of the IMCO Working Group on the Digital Single Market

22 November 2017

From 10:00 to 12:00, Brussels

Meeting room: PHS P4B001

Interpretation: not provided

Accommodation and transport services and the Digital Single Market: how to ensure consumer choice and fair competition

The Digital Revolution and the sharing economy have brought different challenges in the online accommodation and transport services. The meeting will be a discussion about how to guarantee the freedom to provide services, the existence of free and fair competition, and the protection of consumers.

1. Opening statements:

10 mins

- **Ms. Rö a Gräfin von Thun und Hohenstein MEP**, *Chair of the IMCO Working Group on the Digital Single Market.*
- **Mrs. Anneleen Van Bossuyt MEP**, *Chair of IMCO Committee.*

2. Keynote speeches: Challenges for lawmakers

40 mins

- Digital services in the area of accommodation and transportation services – economic and legal aspects, by **professor Dr. Stuart J. Barnes**, *Chair in Marketing at King's Business School, founder and director of CODA within King's Business School, an interdisciplinary research centre focused on Consumer and Organisational Digital Analytics.*

- Challenges for Internal Market, consumer protection and competition of digitisation of marketing and sales channels - case of accommodation and transportation, by **Professor Dr. Giorgio MONTI**, *head of department of competition law at the European University Institute (Florence, Italy), and scientific director at the EUI's Florence School of Regulation.*

3. Exchange of views with stakeholders

10 mins

- **Mr Peter Lochbihler**, *Director of Public Affairs, Booking.com.*
- **Mr Christoph Klenner**, *Secretary general of ETTSA (European Technology & Travel Services Association, which groups global distribution systems and major online travel companies).*

4. Representatives of Political Groups in the European Parliament:

30 mins

- **Mr. Andreas Schwab MEP**, *on behalf of EPP Group.*
- **Mr. Nicola Danti MEP**, *on behalf of S&D Group.*
- **Mr. Dan Dalton MEP**, *on behalf of ECR Group.*
- **Ms. Dita Charanzova MEP**, *on behalf of ALDE Group.*
- **Mr. Dennis De Jong MEP**, *on behalf of GUE/NGL.*
- **Ms. Julia Reda MEP**, *on behalf of Greens/EFA.*

5. Further discussion with Experts, Members and Representatives of the European Commission

30 mins

6. Any other business.

7. Time, place and topic of the next meeting of the Working Group.

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