

4th Annual Competition and Economic Regulation (ACER) week

Southern Africa

Johannesburg, 16 – 20 July 2018



**Professional Training Programmes
from 16 to 18 July 2018**

Economics and law for economic
regulation

Competition policy and economic
regulation for industrial development
in Southern Africa

Advanced economic analysis for
competition enforcement

Conference on 19 & 20 July 2018

Discussing key issues in industrial
development, competition, and
economic regulation in Southern
Africa

The University of Johannesburg's Centre for Competition, Regulation and Economic Development (CCRED), in partnership with the National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA) and the Competition Commission South Africa, is honoured to host the [4th Annual Competition and Economic Regulation \(ACER\) week, Southern Africa](#).

ACER provides a valuable platform for competition authorities and regulators to share knowledge, keep abreast of key developments across the region, and build networks for collaboration between agencies. ACER week combines targeted courses on 16-18 July 2018, running concurrently, and the conference on 19 & 20 July 2018.

Professional Training Programmes, 16 to 18 July at the Holiday Inn – Rivonia

The Professional Training Programmes are targeted at practitioners from competition authorities, economic regulators, law firms, consultancies, research institutes and academia. The following Professional Training Programmes will be offered:

1. Key economic and legal principles for economic regulation
2. Competition policy and economic regulation for industrial development in Southern Africa
3. Advanced economic analysis for competition enforcement

Conference 19 & 20 July 2018 at the Industrial Development Corporation, Sandton

The conference will address key issues in industrial development, competition, and economic regulation in Southern Africa. Abstracts for proposed conference papers are invited on issues of economic regulation, competition and regional development. Abstracts may be submitted to infoccred@uj.ac.za on or before 11 April 2018. Acceptance of papers will be communicated by 20 April 2018. Final papers must be submitted by 29 June 2017. Click [here](#) for the Call for Papers.

Keynote speakers and facilitators include [Prof Simon Roberts](#), Executive Director at CCRED; [Prof Jonathan Klaaren](#), Professor and former Dean of the School of Law at the University of the Witwatersrand; [Dr Javier Tapia](#), a Judge at the Competition Tribunal of the Republic of Chile; [Prof Liberty Mncube](#), Chief Economist at the Competition Commission of South Africa and an Honorary Professor of Economics with the Department of Economics at the University of Stellenbosch; and [Dr Andrea Amelio](#), member of the Chief Economist's team at DG COMP, European Commission.

ACER Week Registration

To reserve your place, kindly click [here](#) and complete and email the booking form to Grace Nsomba on gnsomba@uj.ac.za. For further information, contact Grace Nsomba via email or on +27 11 559 7513. Registration closes on **Friday 6 July 2018**.

Package options*	Early bird fee before 20 April 2018	Standard fee
Professional Training Programme only (one only)	R 7 500	R 8 500
Conference only	R 3 000	R 3 500
Professional Training Programme & Conference (for regulators/ competition authorities/ students)	R 8 000	R 10 000
Professional Training Programme & Conference (for non-regulators/competition authorities)	R 10 000	R 11 000

*Please note that these fees do not include flights and accommodation.

Group discounts of 10% will be offered for registrations of three or more delegates.

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The PTPs will cover the key theoretical underpinnings in an accessible way with illustrations as to how the theories are applied in practice.

1. Key economic and legal principles for economic regulation

This PTP covers the core principles and key concepts of economic regulation, as well as highlighting the interface between competition and economic regulation. The programme will include a detailed treatment of the appropriate tests, evidence and assessment needed to analyse specific competition and regulatory matters.

Reference will be made to precedent-setting cases in different jurisdictions so that participants will have a good grasp of the important decisions, as well as why they may differ across regions.

Course outline

- Objectives of, and rationale for, economic regulation
- Key principles of regulatory economics
- Price regulation
- Essential facilities and exclusionary conduct
- Legal status, mandate & structure of economic regulators & competition authorities
- Assessing evidence obtained and making findings considering standard of proof
- Grounds for appeal and review/ Negotiating and settling complaints and disputed

Facilitators

Prof Simon Roberts, Executive Director at CCRED

Prof Jonathan Klaaren, Professor and former Dean of the School of Law at the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa

Sha'ista Goga, Director at Acacia Economics and Senior Research Fellow at CCRED

Ryan Hawthorne, Director at Acacia Economics and a Research Fellow at CCRED

Click [here](#) for a detailed course outline.

2. Competition policy and economic regulation for industrial development in Southern Africa

This new PTP is the first of its kind to address competition policy and regulation in the context of industrial development in African countries. The programme draws on the theory and empirical evidence from the growing body of research on regional value chains, industrial policy, and barriers to entry and competition in Africa

The aim of the PTP is to equip practitioners and policy-makers with specialist knowledge and skills to understand the interface between competition, regulation and economic development and apply key concepts to analyse real world policy challenges. Key topics covered include the role of competition policy in opening-up markets to smaller businesses, regulating state owned enterprises, assessing the market power of multinational corporations, and the implications for investment, trade and regional integration in developing countries.

Course outline

- Market power, competition policy and economic regulation
- Competition, inequality and inclusive growth
- Barriers to entry and competition
- Industrialization and abuse of dominance
- Market power and economic development: industry case studies
- Regional value chains and integration
- Collusion and industrial development

Facilitators

Professor Frédéric Jenny, Professor of Economics at ESSEC Business School in Paris

Prof Simon Roberts, Executive Director at CCRED

Thando Vilakazi, Senior Researcher at CCRED

Pamela Mondliwa, Senior Researcher at CCRED

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3. Advanced economic analysis for competition enforcement

Targeted at experienced competition economists from authorities, regulators, public and private sector firms and private practice, this intensive PTP will cover the latest developments in economic theory and their application to the analysis of competition cases.

Covering frameworks for understanding abuse of dominance, coordinated conduct and mergers from theoretical and practical perspectives, the PTP will equip participants with the specialist knowledge and skills required to undertake rigorous economic analysis in competition cases. Principles and tests taught during the PTP will be reinforced through case study exercises involving analysis of data and fact patterns.

Course outline

- Market power and market definition with differentiated products
- Advanced merger analysis
- Coordination and behavioural screening
- Frameworks for understanding abuse of dominance
- Exclusive dealing
- Refusal to supply and margin squeeze
- Loyalty rebates
- Exploitative abuses: Price discrimination and excessive pricing

Facilitators

[Dr Javier Tapia](#), Judge at the Competition Tribunal of the Republic of Chile

[Prof Liberty Mncube](#), Chief Economist at the Competition Commission of South Africa

[Dr Andrea Amelio](#), part of Chief Economist's team at DG COMP, European Commission

[Ms Reena das Nair](#), Senior Lecturer at the College of Business and Economics, University of Johannesburg

Click [here](#) for a detailed course outline.

Registration process

Once participants have identified a suitable training programme, they can complete and email the completed [booking form](#) to Grace Nsomba at gnsomba@uj.ac.za.

UJ will then issue an invoice upon which payment can be made. Kindly note that the registration fees include all course material, refreshment and lunches. However, flights and accommodation are not covered by the course fee.

Confirmation of attendance will be given once full payment has been made.

Previous participants

Previous participants included staff from competition and regulatory authorities across Africa, such as the Energy Regulation Board of Zambia, Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia, National Energy Regulator of South Africa, Swaziland Energy Regulatory Authority, Surface and Marine Transport Regulatory Authority in Tanzania, COMESA Competition Commission, Competition Authority of Kenya, Fair Competition Tribunal Tanzania.

Practitioners from the World Bank Group, KPMG, Corpus Legal Practitioners, Bowmans, Fluxmans, Webber Wentzel, Multichoice, Genesis Analytics, Econex and Eskom have also participated in previous ACER weeks.

Comments included

Very informative. Detailed explanation and relevance to cases region wise.

The course was very rich in content and delivered well.

The mix of economics and law was effective for a holistic approach to the area and understanding.

Excellent course. The lecturer explained concepts well with good examples and case studies.

Professional training programme facilitators



Professor Simon Roberts is Executive Director at CCRED and Professor of Economics at the University of Johannesburg. He held the position of Chief Economist and Manager of the Policy & Research Division at the Competition Commission South Africa from November 2006 to December 2012 where he played a lead role in prioritisation, running complex cases and settlements. In addition, Simon has consulted extensively on competition matters over the past 16 years, has been an expert witness in a number of major cases, and has advised competition authorities across the African continent. He has published widely in local and international journals including *World Competition*, *Journal of Competition Law and Economics*, *Industrial and Corporate Change*, *Journal of African Economies*, *Review of African Political Economy*.



Prof Jonathan Klaaren is Professor and former Dean of the School of Law at the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa. He teaches, researches, and writes in the areas of human rights, law, and sociology, having published widely and supervised numerous dissertations. His current research interests are in the legal profession, economic regulation, public law/human rights, and sociolegal studies in Africa. He has served on a number of editorial committees and boards including those of the South African Journal on Human Rights, *Law & Society Review*, and *Law & Policy*. He holds a Phd in sociology from Yale University and law degrees from Columbia (JD) and Wits (LLB). He as Director of the Wits Law School's Mandela Institute from 2005 to 2007. Jonathan has also served as an Acting Judge on the High Court and holds an additional appointment as a Visiting Professor in the Faculty of Humanities with the Wits Institute for Social and Economic Research (WiSER).



Sha'ista Goga is a Director at Acacia Economics and a Senior Research Fellow at the Centre for Competition, Regulation and Economic Development. She has provided regulatory advice and analysis to clients on mergers and prohibited practices cases, appearing before both South African and Indian competition authorities. Sha'ista's work in economic regulation has included expert advice on matters in energy, telecommunications and finance in South Africa, Kenya, Uganda and Zambia. Sha'ista holds a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of the Witwatersrand as well as a Master of Philosophy in Economics from Oxford University, where she was a Rhodes Scholar. Sha'ista was an associate lecturer at the University of the Witwatersrand.



Ryan Hawthorne is an expert on the economics of regulation. He is a Director at Acacia Economics and a Research Fellow at the Centre for Competition, Regulation and Economic Development. He has undertaken analysis for a wide range of matters, including in South Africa, Kenya and Uganda. These have included advising ICASA on aspects of the National Integrated ICT Policy White Paper, working on the recent spectrum auction matter and the Vodacom / Neotel merger for ICASA. Ryan led the economic analysis for a number of major competition cases for the Competition Commission of South Africa, which relied on developing costing models. Furthermore, he led an analysis of the impact of policy and regulation on the telecommunications sector for the Minister of Economic Development.



Dr Javier Tapia is a Judge at the Competition Tribunal of the Republic of Chile. He is also a senior researcher at Regcom, the Centre for Regulation and Competition at Universidad de Chile, Faculty of Law. Javier's previous positions include Chief Legal Counsel of the Chilean Electricity Generators Trade Association, Head of Research and Advocacy Division at the Chilean competition agency; legal adviser and policy analyst at Ofgem, the UK energy regulator; and, legal adviser for the Superintendency of Electricity and Fuels, the Chilean energy regulator. He holds a PhD from University College London (UCL), an MSc in Regulation from the London School of Economics and Political Sciences (LSE), a certificate in Economics from Universidad de Chile, and a law degree from Universidad de Chile. He has published a wide variety of articles and book chapters on both competition law and utilities regulation.



Prof Liberty Mncube is the Chief Economist at the Competition Commission of South Africa. He is a Visiting Associate Professor of Economics with the School of Economic and Business Sciences at the University of Witwatersrand and an Honorary Professor of Economics with the Department of Economics at the University of Stellenbosch. He is also an Associate of CRESSE. As Chief Economist, Prof Mncube advises the Commission on competition regulation and policy issues. Prof Mncube was a member of the Ministerial Advisory Panel on Drafting Changes to the Competition Act (2017). Prior to joining the Commission, Prof Mncube was a Researcher at the Development Policy Research Unit (DPRU), at the University of Cape Town. He received a PhD in Economics from the University of KwaZulu-Natal and a MSc in Economics from the University of York. He has published widely on competition policy and economics in leading local and international journals as well as edited and published in books.



Dr Andrea Amelio joined DG COMP's Chief Economist Team in September 2007. He currently works on mergers, Article 101, Article 102 and State Aid cases in a range of industries including basic industries, financial services, transport and ICT. He holds a PhD in industrial economics from Toulouse School of Economics. His publications are in the field of industrial organization with a special focus on collusion and bundling.



Reena das Nair is a Senior Lecturer in the Master of Commerce in Competition and Economic Regulation programme at the College of Business and Economics, University of Johannesburg. She is also a Senior Researcher at CCRED at the University of Johannesburg. Prior to joining CCRED, Reena was Programme Manager for Industrial Policy at Trade and Industrial Policy Strategies (TIPS), a not-for-profit research organisation undertaking economic research for policy makers. Before TIPS, Reena worked as a Principal Economist at the Competition Commission of South Africa. She has extensive experience in leading investigations and economic analysis in mergers, abuse of dominance and cartel cases. Reena has a MCom from the University of the Witwatersrand and has published in journals and books in competition and industrial policy.



Prof Frederic Jenny is professor of Economics at ESSEC Business School in Paris. He is Chairman of the OECD Competition Committee, and Co-Director of the European Centre for Law and Economics of ESSEC. He was previously Non-Executive Director of the Office of Fair Trading in the United Kingdom (2007-2014), Judge on the French Supreme Court (Cour de cassation, Economic Commercial and Financial Chamber) from 2004 to August 2012, Vice Chair of the French Competition Authority (1993-2004) and President of the WTO Working Group on Trade and Competition (1997-2004). He was Global Professor of Antitrust in the New York University School of Law's Hauser Global Law School (2014), visiting professor at University College London Law School (2005-2012), Haifa University School of Law in Israel (2012), University of Cape Town Business School in South Africa (1991), Keio University Department of economics in Japan (1984), Northwestern University Department of Economics in the United States (1978). Professor Jenny holds a Ph.D in Economics from Harvard University (1975), a Doctorate in Economics from the University of Paris (1977) and an MBA degree from ESSEC Business School (1966).



Thando Vilakazi is a Senior Researcher at the Centre for Competition, Regulation and Economic Development (CCRED) at the University of Johannesburg (UJ), specialising in academic research, teaching and advice on competition policy and industrial development issues. He is also currently an Economist at Acacia Economics providing consulting services on various competition and regulation matters. He previously worked as an economist in the Policy and Research Division at the Competition Commission of South Africa, and has provided teaching and advisory services to competition authorities, regulators and private enterprises in South Africa and various African countries. He has led research on regional integration for UNU-WIDER, the Industrial Development Research Programme for Department of Trade and Industry, and barriers to entry and inclusion for National Treasury in South Africa. Thando is a PhD candidate (Economics) at UJ and has published several peer reviewed book chapters and journal articles on competition and regulation issues.



Pamela Mondliwa is a Senior Researcher at CCRED at the University of Johannesburg. She is also an economist at Acacia Economics, a boutique economics consultancy that offers expertise in competition and regulatory economics in Africa. Pamela is a member of Gauteng Premier, David Makhura's Economic Advisory Panel. Prior to joining CCRED she worked as an economist in the Policy and Research Division of the Competition Commission of South Africa. She has conducted various commissioned research on economic regulation, and industrial development (particularly in light manufacturing) for national, provincial and local government in South Africa. She also has experience in conducting economic analyses on complex enforcement cases, cartels, mergers and acquisitions and impact assessments in a wide range of sectors including infrastructure, construction, petrochemicals, telecommunications, insurance, food, healthcare and packaging. This includes conducting expert economic analysis for cases before the Competition Tribunal and the Competition Appeal Court. She has also trained and advised competition authorities in Southern and East Africa. Pamela has published academic articles on the relationship between competition enforcement and economic regulation and the impact on industrial development in various journals.