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## **Competition Economics Winter School: Principles and Tests in Competition Economics**

The 2014 Winter School targeted mainly at competition and regulatory authorities' employees and practitioners will cover key principles in competition economics drawing from selected decisions of the Competition Tribunal of South Africa, with an emphasis on recent decisions. The course will cover in detail the appropriate tests, evidence and assessment needed to analyse specific competition matters. These learnings, although based on South African experiences, have broader applicability as they serve to illustrate core competition economics principles.

A case study approach will be applied, where key principles and tests are highlighted through a selection of merger, cartel and abuse of dominance cases. This will be followed by hypothetical case scenarios where participants apply lessons learnt during the sessions; and feedback sessions where the hypothetical cases will be debated by participants from the perspective of different stakeholders.

**Who should attend?** Competition and regulatory authorities' employees and practitioners

**Cost:** Standard rate: R5000 per person (discounts for group bookings from public institutions)

**Booking:** Complete attached booking form and send to [infoccred@uj.ac.za](mailto:infoccred@uj.ac.za) by May 20, 2014

**Venue:** TBC

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## Facilitators

	<p>Professor Simon Roberts is Director of the Centre for Competition, Regulation and Economic Development (CCRED) at the University of Johannesburg, where he is also a visiting professor. Prior to joining CCRED, he held the position of Chief Economist and Manager of the Policy &amp; Research Division at the Competition Commission from November 2006 to December 2012. In addition, Simon has consulted extensively on competition matters over the past 15 years and has been an expert witness in a number of major cases. He has published widely in local and international journals. Simon holds a PhD from University of London, MA from University of East Anglia, and BA (Hons) from Oxford University.</p>
	<p>Genna Robb is an Economist specialising in competition economics and industrial policy. Prior to joining the Centre for Competition, Regulation and Economic Development (CCRED) in March 2014 she worked as a Senior Economist at the Competition Commission of South Africa. Before that she was an economic consultant at Genesis Analytics. Genna has conducted economic analysis for competition cases across a number of sectors, including retail, media, financial services, ticketing, agriculture, biotechnology, minerals and mining, aviation and chemicals. She also has substantial experience in research and capacity building in topics relating to competition economics and industrial policy and is the author of a number of conference papers. Genna holds an MSc in Economics with distinction from Warwick University and an Honours degree in Economics and Management from the University of Oxford.</p>
	<p>Reena das Nair is a Senior Researcher at the Centre for Competition, Regulation and Economic Development (CCRED). Prior to joining CCRED, Reena was Programme Manager: 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 in the Policy and Research division at the Competition Commission of South Africa. She has experience in undertaking investigations and economic analysis in mergers, abuse of dominance and cartel cases. Prior to joining the Commission, Reena worked for specialist economic consultancy Johannesburg Economics. She has also undertaken research in economic regulation, particularly in the energy sector. Reena has an M Com in economics and BCom (Hons) from the University of the Witwatersrand. She has co-authored several conference papers and has a number of publications.</p>
	<p>Ryan Hawthorne is an Economist working on regulatory issues and business strategy in the telecommunications sector and consults at Acacia Economics. His focus areas include competition/antitrust economics, telecommunications regulation, and telecommunications strategy. He has worked at Neotel in a number of capacities including leading projects on expanding broadband networks. Prior to his position at Neotel, he was a senior economist at the Competition Commission of South Africa. This followed work as an economic expert on competition cases with the specialist economic consultancy Johannesburg Economics, of which he was a founder. Ryan has extensive experience in the economics of regulation and competition. Ryan has a Master's degree in Economics from Wits University, a BBusSc (Hons), University of Cape Town and is presently working towards a PhD. He has presented a number of papers at conferences and has several publications.</p>



Sha'ista Goga is an Economist at Acacia Economics. Her focus is on policy, competition and economic regulation within the healthcare sector. Sha'ista holds an M Phil in economics from Oxford University, where she was a Rhodes Scholar and a Bachelor's degree in economics from the University of the Witwatersrand. Prior to joining her previous company, SECTION27, Sha'ista worked as a manager in the Competition and Regulatory practice at a Genesis Analytics. She has provided regulatory advice to key stakeholders in the healthcare, energy and broadcasting sectors, and has provided analysis and advice on mergers and prohibited practices cases appearing before both South African and Indian competition authorities. Sha'ista has also been an Associate lecturer at the University of the Witwatersrand and is currently an associate at the Centre for Competition Economics at the University of Johannesburg.



Fatima Maria Fiandeiro is a manager in the Competition and Regulatory Economics practice of Genesis Analytics. Prior to joining Genesis in 2006, Fatima was an associate lecturer at the University of the Witwatersrand. Fatima has provided analysis and advice on a number of major prohibited practice cases and merger transactions across sectors as diverse as telecommunications, broadcasting, healthcare, financial services, industrial products, agriculture and consumer goods. She has also provided economic modelling and analysis on regulatory matters involving airline liberalisation and digital migration of broadcasting as well as in damages litigation cases. She holds a Master's degree in economics from the University of the Witwatersrand.



Andrew Sylvester joined DNA Economics in January 2014 and is a specialist in competition and regulation economics. Prior to joining DNA, Andrew was the first in-house economist at the Competition Tribunal of South Africa and advised members on cases involving complex economic arguments or analysis. At the Competition Commission of South Africa, Andrew assisted on cartel, abuse of dominance, and merger investigations as well as assisting in settlement negotiation.