

TRAINING WORKSHOP ON DESIGNING THE ANTITRUST & MERGER REMEDIES

The School of Competition Law and Market Regulations, IICA, in collaboration with United States Federal Trade Commission, had organised a **Training Workshop on Designing the Antitrust and Merger Remedies** on December 3, 2014 at the Indian International Centre, New Delhi.

The workshop was attended by 27 participants from various law firms, officials from national regulatory authorities and legal advisers to companies, as well as students of the 3-month Certificate Course in Competition Law of IICA. A few of the students from the Certificate Course in Competition Law 2014 joined the programme on the virtual platform.

The programme commenced with the welcome address by **Dr. Navneet Sharma**, Head, School of Competition Law and Market Regulation, IICA. Subsequently, the workshop participants engaged in decisive analysis of effective remedies on issues in competition cases by **Patricia Brink**, Director of Civil Enforcement at the Department of Justice's Antitrust Division, **Dan Ducore**, Assistant Director, U.S. Federal Trade Commission, Compliance Division, **Paul O'Brien**, Counsel for International Antitrust in the Office of International Affairs, U.S. Federal Trade Commission and **Rachel Brandenburger**, Senior Adviser, Hogan Lovells US LLP. The experts discussed cases on unilateral conduct citing the unlawful monopoly of Microsoft in computer-based OS as the most difficult remedial solution in competition law by the DOJ; other issues discussed were structural remedies, goals of merger remedies, their guiding principles and many case examples including Toys R Us vs FTC. **Mr. Dhanendra Kumar**, Former Chairperson, Competition Commission of India (CCI) & Principal Advisor, IICA spoke about customising and modulating all remedies in the current socio-economic climate of India and said that remedies should be smooth and beneficial for overall market regulation without deterring investors. He ended on the note that remedies should be measurable, tailor-made and administrable.