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## WRITING COMPETITION AND CALL FOR PAPERS

### INTERDISCIPLINARY WORKSHOP ON COMMUNICATIONS POLICY AND REGULATION

#### *‘COMMUNICATIONS AND COMPETITION LAW AND POLICY – CHALLENGES OF THE NEW DECADE’*

**JUNE 17, 2010**

*Deadline for submission of abstracts: April 9th, 2010*

THE COMMUNICATIONS POLICY AND REGULATION SCHOLARS FORUM (CPRSF), THE UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW AND THE INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF COMMUNICATIONS LAW AND POLICY (IJCLP) are pleased to announce a joint call for interdisciplinary papers for the First Interdisciplinary Workshop on Communications Policy and Regulation. It will take place on June 17, 2010 at the University of Glasgow, UK. We invite scholars, postgraduate students, policy-makers, technologists, practitioners and industry representatives to submit papers on issues related to the topic, analyzed from a legal, political, economic and/or technological perspective.

#### **CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION**

Communications policy is subject to constant modifications as a result of innovation and requires continuous research in order to solve emerging challenges. Since the liberalisation of the sector, the current context of globalisation calls international solutions and interdisciplinary analysis. This is the intention behind the creation of the CPRSF, an interdisciplinary forum seeking to bring together leading academics, regulators, researchers and any other stakeholders to discuss current issues of communications policy and regulation.

The first workshop of the CPRSF will focus on ‘Communications and Competition Law and Policy – Challenges of the New Decade’. The discussion will be centred on key developments that will affect the communications industry around the world. Submissions are encouraged on issues within the framework of the workshop, both from an international perspective or focusing on specific problems in the UK and Scotland. These would include, but are not limited to:

- Next generation networks
- Technological convergence
- Spectrum management
- Interrelation between regulatory institutions/competition authorities
- Intellectual property
- State aid in communications
- Control of abusive practices and merger control
- Net neutrality
- Media concentration
- Interrelation between media and competition law and policy

We encourage creative approaches and welcome the submission of theoretical contributions, case studies, empirical researches or surveys offering insights into the current and forthcoming challenges for competition law and policy in the broad field of communications.

A full conference description, including a dedicated bibliography and speakers' abstracts, will be made available at the CPRSF website, <http://www.cprsf.org>. Selected papers will be offered the possibility of being published in a dedicated printed volume of the IJCLP, as well as made available under the open access policy at the IJCLP's website at <http://www.ijclp.net/>.

Authors are required to submit abstracts of up to 1,000 words by the deadline of **April 9th, 2010**. Submissions should be emailed simultaneously to Simone Francesco Bonetti, Chief editor of the IJCLP ([simo.bonetti@tiscali.it](mailto:simo.bonetti@tiscali.it)) and Sandra Marco Colino, Director of Communications Policy and Regulation Scholars Forum and organiser of the workshop ([s.marcocolino@law.gla.ac.uk](mailto:s.marcocolino@law.gla.ac.uk)).

### **WRITING COMPETITION: ADAM SMITH PRIZES FOR BEST PAPERS**

Two prizes will be awarded to the best papers submitted to the conference. The recipients of the Adam Smith Prizes will be invited to present their work at a panel during the conference and their travel and accommodation expenses will be covered. The final decision will be announced by May 21st, 2010. The authors of the award-winning papers will automatically be invited to publish their work in a special volume of the International Journal of Communications Law & Policy devoted to the theme of the workshop.

Submissions for the writing competition must be received by **noon GMT, May 14th 2010**.

### **JOURNAL PUBLICATION**

Submissions for publication must be received by **noon GMT, September 17th, 2010**. The selection committee, composed of representatives of the University of Glasgow and the Board of Editors of the IJCLP, will review and consider all submissions for publication in the special volume of the journal, including submissions for the writing competition. Authors will be notified of acceptance by November 17th, 2010.

Submissions for publication should be written in English and submitted in .doc, .docx, .rtf, .odt, or .pdf format. They should conform to academic citation standards (for more information, please see <http://www.ijclp.net/submissions.html>) and be no longer than 15,000 words (footnotes included). An abstract of 300 words is also required.

For any queries, please contact the workshop organiser: [s.marcocolino@law.gla.ac.uk](mailto:s.marcocolino@law.gla.ac.uk)

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