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FUTURE CLP MINI-ROUNDTABLES

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POSSIBLE FUTURE CLP MINI-ROUNDTABLES

- 1. Substantive criteria used for the assessment of mergers (Secretariat, Germany).
- 2. What are the pros and cons of loyalty or fidelity discounts and rebates from the competition point of view?
- 3. Transparency and price information. Does publishing prices and terms facilitate collusion or help consumers? (Canada)
- 4. Price-fixing and market sharing in the concrete/cement industry and how to detect and deal with such practices (Germany, Mexico).
- 5. Special considerations affecting newspaper mergers. What weight should be given to competition and other factors? (Germany)
- 6. The competition problems raised by access to local cable networks (Portugal, Mexico, Switzerland, Czech Republic).
- 7. Joint ventures and competition policy (United States; Spain, EU, Germany, Canada). To be held in October 2000¹
- 8. Horizontal cartels in agriculture (Italy).
- 9. Competition and Investment (Foreign Direct Investment).
- 10. Prevention, Dissuasion (sanctions & remedies) in Competition Law (UK).
- 11. Potential Competition/Barriers to entry.
- 12. Relationship between Public and Private Enterprises (Denmark and Finland).
- 13. Portfolio effects in Conglomerat mergers (Italy, Switzerland, Canada, Japan, EU)
- 14. Exemptions/Exceptions (Japan)
- 15. Electronic Commerce and Competition (UK). To be held in October 2000
- 16. Electronic Commerce and Competition (cont'd)
- 17. Horizontal restrictions in differentiated product markets

^{1.} In bold are the topics already agreed upon by the CLP.