

### ASIAN ANTITRUST AND COMPETITION POLICY PRACTICE

Mergers, Monopolization, Abuse of Dominance, Coordinated Behavior, Class Actions, Intellectual Property, Consumer Protection



# independent and rigorous economic analysis

#### **About the Firm**

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#### GlobalEcon's Antitrust and Competition Policy Practice: Asia

Global Economics Group (GlobalEcon) has more than 30 experts with experience in competition, regulation and finance matters across most major jurisdictions around the world. Several have extensive experience in competition policy/antitrust, regulation and finance in Asia. GlobalEcon's experts have served as experts or advisors to the State Council of the People's Republic of China, the Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) of China, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology of China, the State Electricity Regulatory Commission of China, Broadcasting Authority of Hong Kong, Competition Commission of Singapore, International Enterprise Singapore, the World Bank, the ASEAN Experts Group on Competition and the Asian Development Bank.

Our experts pride themselves on being able to communicate complex economic ideas clearly to judges, juries, regulatory authorities, mediators, and arbitrators. Members of the team have been leading contributors to the academic and practical literature on antitrust and their works are highly cited and relied on.

Our regional presence ensures that we are attuned to the requirements of the national competition authorities and involved parties in Asia. Additionally, our multi-jurisdictional knowledge base gives us a broad perspective when applying general economic principles. As a result, our analyses always reflect the best international practices in the application of economic theory and econometric techniques to competition, regulation and finance in Asia.

Our services encompass a broad range of competition and regulation issues, including antitrust & intellectual property, merger analysis, abuse of dominance / monopolization and cartels & collusion, financial regulation, public utilities regulation, just to name a few. We offer the benefits of a multilingual team, knowledgeable in English and Mandarin, who can effectively communicate complex technical results in a clear and concise manner. And as always, the tools, analysis and high professional standards that characterize our work are a constant in our expert advice, reports, and academic writings.



## areas of expertise for antitrust

#### Assistance to competition and regulation authorities

- Expert advice on drafting Singapore's competition law and Competition Commission Guidelines.
- Providing lectures and courses to various regulatory bodies in Singapore and to various government bodies such as the Thai Trade Competition Commission and the ASEAN Experts Group on Competition.
- Expert consultation on regulation of Singapore's OTC derivatives market
- Drafts review of the Anti-Monopoly Law (AML) of China
- Drafts review of the Guidelines on Definition of Relevant Market for MOFCOM of China
- Reports on the regulatory framework for China's infrastructure sectors
- Economic consultation as external expert on merger reviews for MOFCOM of China

#### **Mergers and Acquisitions**

- Pre-merger evaluation of competition status and competition harm in China
- Economic analysis in antitrust merger filings in China

#### **Telecommunication**

- Market design analysis in China
- Calculation of interconnection fees in China
- Reports on tariff reform in China

#### **Electricity**

- Analysis of competition conditions in China
- Reports on China's electricity market reform

#### **Payment cards**

• Reports on interchange fees and switch fees in China's bankcard industry

#### **Media and communications**

• Sector inquiry into a complaint regarding a firm's anticompetitive conduct in Hong Kong's pay TV market



## decades of experience handling complex antitrust and merger matters

#### **Areas of Expertise**

- Merger analysis & merger simulation
- Unilateral effects
- Coordinated effects
- Market definition
- Market power analysis
- Survey design & analysis
- Vertical market division
- Predatory pricing
- Innovation markets
- Antitrust & intellectual property

- Collusion & cartelization
- Price fixing & allegations of conspiracy
- Class certification
- Financial regulation
- Public policy
- Public utilities regulation
- Strategy
- Bundling & Tying
- Price discrimination, loyalty discounts & refusals to deal

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David S. Evans has been the lead expert on mergers, monopolization and abuse of dominance, and joint venture cases in multiple jurisdictions. A number of his matters have involved the intersection of antitrust and intellectual property, the antitrust of web-based businesses, and antitrust issues in financial services. A widely cited authority on antitrust economics and award-winning author, he teaches part time at the

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