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THE MODERNISATION OF STATE AID RULES

11 January 2013

King's College London

Strand Campus

Great Hall

11.30 - 12.00 Registration

12.00 – 13.00 **Doing More With Less – State Aid Reform in Times of Austerity: Supporting Growth Amid Fiscal Constraints**

In the chair – **Prof. Sir Francis Jacobs QC**, President, Centre of European Law, King's College

Joaquín Almunia, Vice-President of the European Commission and
Commissioner for Competition

Vincent Cable, UK Secretary of State

Debate and Q&A time

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14.30 – 17.15: Workshop Sessions

The Great Hall, Strand Campus

14.30 – 15.30 Towards a New Policy on State Aid Control

In the chair – **Prof. Andrea Biondi**, Director, Centre of European Law, King's College

What is Really the Modernization Package About?

Gert-Jan Koopman, European Commission

Institutional Issues, Internal Market Objectives and Public Finance Efficiency

Prof. Takis Tridimas, Queen Mary and Westfield College

A General Principle of Compatibility of Aid: a Critique

Prof. Phedon Nicolaides, College of Europe

The Impact on Specific Industries

Steve Unger, OFCOM

15.30 – 15.45 Coffee Break

15.45 – 17.15 Towards a More Efficient System of State Aid Control?

In the chair – **Prof. Massimo Merola**, President, Global Competition Law Centre, College of Europe

How to Deal with Enforcement Priorities?

Barbara Brandtner, European Commission

Third Parties' Rights, Remedies and the Role of the Community Courts

Nicholas Forwood, Judge, General Court of the European Union

Making Sense of State Aid Control in a Domestic Setting

George Peretz, Monckton Chambers

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