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Cartel-busters converge in Cape Town for the 2013 ICN Cartel Workshop

The Competition Commission is pleased to host more than 200 participants representing competition authorities from 54 countries to the 2013 International Competition Network (ICN) Cartel Workshop in Cape Town, South Africa.

The workshop is held at the Cape Town International Convention Centre from today, 15 October to 18 October 2013 and will focus on strategies to tackle obstacles to effective cartel enforcement. The workshop will also build on the foundations of global cartel enforcement by highlighting tools and detection methods for uncovering and prosecuting cartels globally.

Commissioner Shan Ramburuth says “Hosting the ICN cartel workshop is an honour for the country and the Commission is immensely proud to have won the bid despite tough competition from other agencies.” The Commission is also hosting a pre-workshop session for agencies from the region where it will share its experiences and the methodologies used in its Construction Fast Track Settlement Process which saw 15 construction firms settling bid rigging cases with fines totalling R1.46 billion.

The ICN is the largest international network devoted exclusively to competition law enforcement and its members represent national and multinational competition authorities. The workshop provides a forum for the exchange of views regarding issues of common interest among participants and the strengthening of links that lead to better international cooperation among ICN member agencies as well as with the consumer, academic, business, economic and legal communities.

Additional information about the workshop can be accessed at www.icncartel2013.co.za/ while information on the ICN can be found at www.internationalcompetitionnetwork.org/

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