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Agenda Item: 7

## **Development of Competition Law & Policy in Singapore**

Purpose: Information  
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Singapore  
21-22 February 2009**



## Development of Competition Law & Policy in Singapore

Presentation at  
APEC  
Competition Policy & Law Group  
22 February 2009

A photograph of three business professionals in a meeting. A man in a suit and glasses is smiling and looking at a laptop. A woman is looking towards him, and another person is partially visible on the right. The background is a light-colored wall.

## Our Mission

Championing Competition for Growth and Choice

1. Pro-competition business practices
2. Culture of competition
3. Government policies that encourage competition

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ANTI-COMPETITIVE AGREEMENTS s34

3 Main Prohibitions under the Competition Act

ABUSE OF DOMINANCE s47

s54 MERGERS THAT SUBSTANTIALLY LESSEN COMPETITION

The slide features three distinct illustrations. The top-left illustration, titled 'ANTI-COMPETITIVE AGREEMENTS s34', shows five business figures in suits shaking hands in a circle, symbolizing collusion. The top-right illustration, titled 'ABUSE OF DOMINANCE s47', depicts a seesaw where a large, heavy figure in a suit sits on the high end, while three smaller figures sit on the low end, representing market dominance. The bottom illustration, titled 's54 MERGERS THAT SUBSTANTIALLY LESSEN COMPETITION', shows a circular diagram with several figures sitting on segments, with an arrow pointing to a single larger segment, representing a merger.

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## Developments

- Issued first infringement decision
- Launched Distinguished Speaker Series
- Chaired ASEAN Experts Group on Competition
- Stopped price increase agreement
- Issued Guidance on fees guidelines
- Market Study
- Enhancement to Leniency Programme

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## ASEAN Experts Group on Competition

- AEGC created as a formal official ASEAN body
- To promote the development of competition policy and law in ASEAN countries
- AEGC Work Groups set up to
  - Develop a regional guideline on competition policy
  - Develop a handbook on competition policies and laws in ASEAN for the business community
  - Promote capacity building



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## First Infringement Decision

singapore news

# Busted by tell-tale emails

6 bid-rigging pest control firms fined in competition watchdog's first catch

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THE pally tone of the emails between three business rivals was baffling. Thanking each other for "support" with wishes of "all the best", the emails – written by senior managers from three pest control companies – suggested a scheme to rig a bid for a termite extermination project at Raffles Hotel. Two of the parties were supposed to put in a higher bid, increasing the chances of the third firm, PestBusters, winning.



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## **Market Study on Retail Mall Space**

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- Market study to better understand industry and market structure
- No dominant landlord
- Supply and demand
- Improvement in retail mall management

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## **Enhancement of Leniency Programme**

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- Changes to Leniency Programme
- Public Consultation
- Introduction of
  - Marker
  - Leniency Plus system

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## Thank You

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