



CALL FOR CHAPTERS

Emerging Frontiers in Competition Law: Policy, Enforcement and Consumer Welfare

An edited book to be published by National Law University, Jodhpur

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AIM & SCOPE

This edited book seeks rigorous, policy-relevant and original contributions on contemporary and emergent issues in Competition Law. The book will address doctrinal, empirical, comparative and policy perspectives that help explain how competition law promotes consumer welfare, fosters market efficiency, and responds to current regulatory challenges especially in digital markets, regulated sectors and cross-border contexts. The book aims to be internationally relevant while foregrounding Indian developments, case law and policy debates.

TITLE

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THEMES/CHAPTERS

We invite chapters addressing, but not limited to, the following sub-fields relating to the Competition Law in India and abroad. Contributors are welcome to propose chapters that cut across themes or adopt interdisciplinary approaches.

1. Foundations & Frameworks of Competition Law

- Historical evolution of Competition Law in India and antitrust globally.
- Consumer welfare v. Alternative goals (market efficiency).
- Comparative Perspectives: EU, US, UK, Asia and India.

2. Anti-competitive Agreements (Sectional Focus: Competition Act, 2002)

- Horizontal and vertical restraints: cartels, exclusive supply, resale price maintenance
- Case-law developments under the Competition Commission of India (CCI) and other jurisdictions.
- Overlap of competition law and consumer protection

3. Abuse of Dominant Position & Market Power

- Defining dominance, market definition, and thresholds
- Behavioural abuses: excessive pricing, tying/bundling, margin squeeze, refusal to deal
- Remedies, structural v. behavioural interventions

4. Merger Control, Combinations & Remedies

- Notification regimes under the Competition Act, 2002
- Comparative merger control frameworks
- Remedies: structural, behavioural, hybrid; effectiveness and enforcement challenges

5. Digital Markets, Platform Economics & Competition Law

- Competition law in digital era: Big Tech, platforms, algorithms
- Competition policy for digital ecosystems, role of data and network effects
- Interplay of competition law with data protection, privacy, platform regulation
- Marketplace design and algorithmic collusion: detection and remedial options.
- Digital Competition Bill and its potential and gaps

6. Sectoral/Regulated Markets & Competition Advocacy

- Competition issues in infrastructure, energy, telecom, insurance, banking
- Role of sectoral regulators vis-à-vis CCI
- Competition advocacy, enforcement, and compliance culture
- Competition law remedies in India: assessment of behavioural vs structural remedies.

7. International Co-operation, Globalisation and Competition Law

- Cross-border cartels, jurisdictional issues, extraterritorial enforcement
- Convergence and divergence of competition regimes across jurisdictions
- Role of international organisations (e.g., ICN, OECD) and India's place

8. Future Challenges & Reform Agendas

- Emerging issues: sustainability, ESG, competition law and climate change
- Competition policy for sustainable markets: reconciling ESG and antitrust enforcement.
- Competition law and developing economies: challenges of enforcement, capacity building
- Reforming the Indian competition regime: legislative and policy imperatives

INDICATIVE NATURE OF THEMES

The themes outlined above are purely indicative and not exhaustive. The editors strongly encourage submissions that move beyond foundational or introductory discussions of competition law. Given the advanced scholarly orientation of this book, contributors are expected to engage with emerging issues, complex doctrinal questions, policy dilemmas, enforcement challenges, and contemporary developments in competition law and competition policy. The editorial team particularly welcomes original and cutting-edge research that examines the intricacies of competition regulation in contemporary digital markets. Further, interdisciplinary contributions drawing upon economics, data science, public policy, technology studies, behavioural sciences, sustainability studies, or allied disciplines, where such approaches meaningfully enrich competition law analysis, are especially encouraged.

WHO SHOULD CONTRIBUTE

The book welcomes submissions from academicians, judges, practitioners, policymakers, sectoral experts, researchers and advanced doctoral candidates. Interdisciplinary and empirical chapters are especially welcome.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES & FORMAT

To ensure uniformity and suitability for rigorous peer review, please follow the instructions below carefully.

1. Stage-wise submission

- **Abstract/Proposal:** 500–700 words summarising the argument, methodology, key references, and intended contribution (plus 5–6 keywords). Attach a brief bio (100–150 words) and institutional affiliation.
- **Full chapter (upon acceptance of abstract):** 6,000–8,000 words (including footnotes and references). Exceptional chapters may be considered up to 10,000 words on prior request.
- **Language:** English (UK or US spelling consistent throughout).

2. Formatting

- Font: Times New Roman, 12 pt; line spacing: 1.5; margins: 1 inch (2.54 cm) all sides.
- Footnotes preferred for citation and use Bluebook 22nd edition.
- Tables and figures: supply editable files (e.g., Excel for tables).

3. Style & Originality

- Chapters must be original, unpublished work, and not under consideration elsewhere. Simultaneous submissions are not permitted.
- Chapters will be evaluated on: originality, theoretical or empirical rigour, clarity of argument, conceptual contribution to competition law scholarship,

methodological soundness (where applicable), policy relevance, and quality of writing.

- All contributions will be checked for plagiarism; similarity beyond accepted norms will lead to rejection.

4. Peer Review & Editing

- All submissions will undergo editorial screening followed by double-blind peer review. Accepted chapters will be subject to editorial revision and copy-editing for style and consistency.

5. Permissions & Copyright

- Authors are responsible for securing permissions for any third-party figures, tables or long quotations.
- On acceptance, authors will be required to sign a standard Contributor Agreement assigning exclusive rights to NLU Jodhpur for the edition.

6. Open Access/Indexing

- The University will endeavour to ensure wide dissemination and indexing. Information on open access and indexing plans will be provided later in the editorial correspondence.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Call for Chapters released: **20th December 2025**
- Abstract submission deadline: **31st January 2026**
- Notification of acceptance of abstracts: **15th February 2026**
- Full chapter submission deadline: **15th April 2026**
- Peer-review completion & Editorial decisions: **10th May 2026**
- Final revised manuscripts due: **31st May 2026**
- Expected publication (Print & Digital): **30th June 2026**

SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

Send the following as a single email to: competitionlawbook@nlujodhpur.ac.in with subject line: **“CFP: Emerging Frontiers in Competition Law [Author Name]”**. Attachments should be in MS Word (.docx) format only.

BENEFITS TO CONTRIBUTORS & INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT

Contributors will receive one complimentary print copy (and digital access) of the published book. The book will be widely circulated through university channels and academic mailing lists; indexing and DOI details will be provided at the time of publication.