

## CALL FOR PAPERS

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With respect to regular volumes, authors are expected to submit an **abstract of their proposed article no later than by the 28 of February**. The same deadline applies to preliminary submissions of other contributions such as case comments, legislation and jurisdiction reviews and book reviews.

Preliminary paper submissions should be prepared, as a rule, in British English.

They should contain:

1) the title of the paper – Authors are encouraged to formulate short, original titles that contain terms typical for mainstream debate in the law and economics of antitrust and regulation; the title can be formulated in the form of a question or a firm thesis;

2) preliminary table of content;

3) preliminary summary – the summary should illustrate that the proposed paper fulfils the basic requirements set out by the publisher of YARS. All papers are expected to:

a) focuses on Polish or/and CEE research and practice; the Editorial Board will evaluate especially highly those contributions that focus on the comparison of the achievements and experiences of CEE countries and their markets seen as ‘emerging markets’;

b) refer to the approach and experiences of the EU without over emphasising them;

c) concern problems raised by mainstream debate in academic and professional literature (e.g. in periodicals competing with YARS) or conferences brought about, among other things, by legislative initiatives in the EU or its individual Member States;

d) pose and verify a ‘firm’ research thesis/hypothesis (clearly stated, even provocative);

e) have a strong basis in case law (legal papers) or empirical research data (economic papers); however, strictly theoretical papers are not excluded per se;

4) classification and key words

The preliminary submission should not exceed two pages; it will be subject to a double review process; Authors will be informed of the content of reviews that contain specific suggestions concerning the paper.

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Submitted articles will undergo a double, anonymous and independent peer-review process. The reviewers will be appointed by the editors – they will be specialists in fields related to the topic of the article. Separate review criteria and processes have been adopted for legal and economic articles. The review criteria are specified in the YARS Review Form. The editors encourage potential authors to refer to specific expectations, outlined in that document, when preparing their contributions to YARS. As a result of the review process, authors may be expected to modify their articles according to the recommendations of the reviewers. Amended articles should be submitted within 30 days. They must be accompanied by a cover letter explaining the way in which the comments were addressed and the changes made. Editorial decisions to publish, to reject or to return an article for modifications cannot be appealed. Authors of published articles receive no royalty fees; they are however not required to cover any of the costs of the peer-review process or publication.

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We kindly ask potential authors to respect the following quotation standards, adopted by YARS in previous volumes.

#### *1. Books*

Author(s), Title, Place of Publishing Year of Publishing, Page(s).

[e.g.: C. Harding, J. Joshua, *Regulating Cartels in Europe: A Study of Legal Control of Corporate Delinquency*, Oxford 2003, p. 165.]

#### *2. Chapters of books*

Author(s), 'Title of a chapter', [in:] Authors (ed.), Title, Place of Publishing Year of Publishing, Page(s).

[e.g. S. Dudzik, P. K. Rosiak, 'Poland', [in:] D. Cahill (ed.), *The Modernisation of EU Competition Law Enforcement in the EU. FIDE 2004 National Reports*, Cambridge 2004, p. 477.]

#### *3. Articles*

Author, 'Title of Article' (Year) Vol.(No.) *Title of Journal* Pages

[e.g. A. Jurkowska, 'Antitrust Private Enforcement – Case of Poland' (2008) 1(1) *YARS* 59-80.]

#### *4. Articles – multiple authors*

Authors, 'Title of Article'(Year) Vol.(No.) *Title of Journal* Pages

[e.g. L. La Rocca, 'The controversial issue of the parent-company liability for the violation of EC competition rules by the subsidiary' (2011) 32(2) *European Competition Law Review* 68-76]

#### *5. Legal acts*

Polish legal acts:

e.g. Act of 16 February 2007 on Competition and Consumer Protection (*Journal of Laws* 2007 No. 50, item 331, as amended).

EU legal acts:

e.g. Council Regulation (EC) No. 1/2003 of 16 December 2002 on the implementation of the rules on competition laid down in Articles 81 and 82 of the Treaty, OJ [2003] L 1/1.

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- legislation and case law reviews,
- book reviews,
- reports concerning scientific events and other notes.

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