

Day 1. Arab youth in competition

Special session



Shared Prosperity Dignified Life



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Background

The youth are an essential building people of the region's social structure that define the future path of Arab economies, especially as the 21st century comes with new challenges that demand innovative policy responses to create resilient economies. Big data, artificial intelligence, digitalization and climate change are game changers and will take their place at the centre of competition policy. Consequently, the participation of young generations in dialogue on competition policy is essential to formulate new solutions that will drive the future of efficient, sustainable and competitive economies.

For the Third Annual Arab Competition Forum, university students majoring in economics and business-related fields in Oman have been challenged to present an original case study involving anti-competitive behaviours on digital platforms/enterprises. During the session on Arab Youth in Competition, sponsored by Oman Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Khedmah, the winners will have the opportunity to come on stage to briefly present their case study and receive the award. Moreover, young Arab advocates of competition will share their efforts through a short discussion.

The following are the main objectives of the special session:

- Increase awareness and understanding of competition among students.
- Engage the youth in competition dialogue and research in the Arab region.
- Create a platform for the youth to share insights and experiences and build connections in the competition.
- Build relationships between researchers, academics and competition authorities.

Moderator

- Representative from the Ministry of Commerce and Industry of Oman (TBD)

Speakers

- Rossi Abi-Rafeh, Ph.D. candidate at Toulouse School of Economics, Doctoral Fellow at Institute for Fiscal Studies, London, United Kingdom
- Menna Mahmoud, Youth Competition Economist
- Nathalie Khaled, Economic Affairs Officer, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA), Beirut, Lebanon
- Winners of the challenge (TBD)



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