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On 29 January 2009, ICOMP was one of the sponsors of an event organised and held at King's College London that hosted **Meglana Kuneva, EU Commissioner for Consumer Affairs**. Prior to working for the Commission, Ms Kuneva served as Bulgarian Minister of European Affairs.

In her speech, Commissioner Kuneva spoke about the evolution of prices and innovation in liberalized markets, principally focussing on Energy, Aviation and Telecoms/Internet markets. She explained the challenges facing consumer policy, such as unfair practices and switching costs and discussed various policy responses including regulation, market monitoring and competition policy.

This was the inaugural speech by a European Commissioner in what is intended to be an annual Commissioner's address to the students and faculty at King's. It is organised under the auspices of King's LLM in Competition Law, which includes a course on "*Competition Law & Network Regulated Industries*". ICOMP is also a co-sponsor of the LLM course and has offered a prize of €3,000 for the best essay on "*How does economics and existing legal precedent on network industries guide us in assessing the existence of market power on the Internet?*".