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BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS

Andrea Appella is a senior lawyer with significant experience in competition law and the media industry. He is currently Director of Legal, Competition & Regulatory Affairs for Europe & Asia at News Corporation.

Andrea is former Director of International at the Office of Fair Trading (OFT) in the UK (June 2008 – July 2009), where he was in charge of developing the OFT's international strategy and led the team responsible for the OFT's international activities (contributions to multilateral competition bodies such as OECD, ICN and ECN, bilateral relationships with foreign competition and consumer authorities, support of cross-border enforcement actions).

After beginning his career as a solicitor at Herbert Smith (1994-1997), he worked for MTV Europe (1998-1999), Warner Bros (1999-2002) and, most recently, Time Warner Europe (2003-2008), where he was Vice President and Associate General Counsel, advising the company on European and international competition law issues and overseeing the full range of European competition law matters for Time Warner Corporate and Time Warner Divisions in Europe, including Article 81 and Article 82 proceedings before the European Commission and National Competition Authorities, mergers, compliance and competition policy developments.

Andrea is a Vice-Chair of the IBA Antitrust Committee and a member of the IBA's Taskforce on Extraterritoriality. He is a Senior Fellow at the Centre for Law and Governance in Europe at UCL, where he is teaching the course on "Competition, IP and Contractual Issues in the Media Industry: Law and Practice". He was featured among the "Stars of the In-House Competition Bar" in Global Competition Review (March 2005) and is a frequent speaker at competition law and media law conferences.

Andrea earned his first law degree, *magna cum laude*, at the *Libera Universita' Internazionale degli Studi Sociali in Rome*, and an L.L.M., with Merit, from the London School of Economics. He is a member of the bar in both Italy (as an *avvocato*) and England (as a solicitor).