CONFERENCE Applying Behavioural Insights to Policy-making: Results, Promises and Limitations

Date: Monday 30th September 2013 Venue: GASP room, Charlemagne Building, Rue de la Loi, 170, 1040 Brussels

8.00am – 9.00am Registration

INTRODUCTION	
9.00am - 9.10am	Official welcome – Despina Spanou Director of Consumer Affairs, DG SANCO (Health and Consumers)
9.10am – 9.30am	Opening address – Neven Mimica EU Commissioner for Consumers

SESSION 1	Applying behavioural insights to policy-making: promises and limitations
	Chair: Despina Spanou, Director of Consumer Affairs, DG SANCO
9.30am – 9.50am	Eldar Shafir, Princeton University
	The behavioural foundations of public policy
	Augustin Landier, Toulouse School of Economics
9.50am - 10.10am	Behavioural insights applied to consumer protection and beyond
	The speakers will address the following questions:
	1. How can behavioural insights be collected and applied?
	2. Which are the most relevant examples where the behavioural approach improved the effectiveness of policy measures?
	3. Can behavioural experiments provide a 2 nd -best surrogate for Randomised Controlled Trials (RCTs)? If so, when and how?
10.10am - 10.30am	Discussion, Session 1

10.30am – 11.00am Morning tea or coffee

SESSION 2	Behavioural economics in support of policy-making: country experiences
	Chair: Despina Spanou, Director of Consumer Affairs, DG SANCO
	Speakers:
11.00am – 11.15am	Olivier Oullier, Aix-Marseille University
	The application of behavioural insights to policymaking
11.15am – 11.30am	Owain Service , Deputy Director of the UK Government's Behavioural Insights Team Behavioural insights applied to policy in the UK
	 <u>The speakers will address, among others, the following questions:</u> 1. What role can behavioural insights play in informing policy interventions? 2. What are the main challenges and achievements of the trials run at a national level?
11.30am - 11.40am	Discussion, Session 2

SESSION 3a	Behavioural experiments conducted on behalf of the European Commission
11.40am – 12.00pm	Chair: Dan Dionisie, Head of Consumer Markets, DG SANCO Elke Himmelsbach and Nico Siegel, TNS
	(Hidden) fees for card payments: Will transparency change consumer behaviour? Rationale, methodology, findings and policy implications
12.00pm – 12.20pm	George Gaskell and Cristiano Codagnone, LSE and University of Milan Online gambling: Rationale, methodology, findings and policy implications

12.20pm – 1.50pm Buffet lunch

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SESSION 4	Panel discussion followed by Q&A: Policy context and implications of the five studies presented
	Moderator: Olivier Oullier, Aix-Marseille University
	Panellists:
	Rita Wezenbeek, Head of Unit, Antitrust: Payment Systems, DG COMP
2.35pm – 3.30pm	Charmaine Hogan, Policy Analyst, Online and Postal Services, DG MARKT
	Nathalie Chaze, Head of Unit, Healthcare Systems, DG SANCO
	Miguel De La Mano, Head of Unit, Analysis of Financial Markets Issues, DG MARKT
	Gérald Santucci, Head of Unit, Knowledge Sharing, DG CNECT

3.30pm – 3.50pm Afternoon tea or coffee

SESSION 5	Panel discussion followed by Q&A: Relevance of behavioural economics in addressing EU's policy challenges
	Moderator: John Kay, Financial Times
3.50pm – 4.50pm	Panellists:Paola Testori Coggi, Director General, DG SANCO (Health and Consumers)Robert Madelin, Director General, DG CNECT(Communication Networks, Content and Technology)Vladimir Sucha, Deputy Director General, Joint Research CentreAlberto Alemanno, HEC Paris, Georgetown Law School Lucia Reisch, Copenhagen Business School, Editor of the J. of Consumer Policy
	Owain Service , Deputy Director of the UK Government's Behavioural Insights Team

 4.50pm – 5.15pm
 Closing remarks and results of the behavioural tests

 Paola Testori Coggi, Director General, DG SANCO (Health and Consumers)