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July 3 – July 5, 2026

CRESSE 2026

DETAILED CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

***Advances in the Analysis of Competition Policy and
Regulation***

**CRESSE SPECIAL KEYNOTE DIALEKSIS BY
Prof. Jean Tirole (Toulouse School of Economics)**

**JJ LAFFONT KEYNOTE LECTURE BY
Prof. Dr. Martin Peitz (University of Mannheim)**

**COMPETITION POLICY KEYNOTE LECTURE BY
Prof. Robert Clark (University of Toronto)**

**LAWYERS' KEYNOTE LECTURE BY
Prof. Christopher Leslie (University of California, Irvine School of Law)**

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Thursday July 2

18:00 – 19:00 Early Registration

Friday July 3

08:20 – 08:45 Registration

08:45 – 08:50 Brief Welcoming Remarks by Prof. Patrick Rey

08:50 – 09:30 Plenary session: JJ LAFFONT KEYNOTE LECTURE by Prof. Dr. Martin Peitz

09:30 – 10:50 Parallel Sessions: Contributed Papers: Parallel Session 1 & Special Policy Session 1 “Labour Market Collusion”

10:50 – 11:20 Coffee Break

11:20 – 12:00 Plenary session: LAWYERS’ KEYNOTE LECTURE by Prof. Christopher Leslie

12:00 – 13:20 Plenary session: Special Policy Session 2 “Socially Responsible Agencies: The Scope of their Mandate”

13:20 – 14:45 Lunch Break

14:45 – 16:25 Contributed Papers: Parallel Sessions 2, 3, 4 & 5

16:25 – 16:50 Coffee Break

16:50 – 18:30 Parallel Sessions: Special Policy Session 3 “20 Years of Private Damages Actions in the EU: The Role of Economists” & Special Policy Session 4 “Competition Policy & Regulation in Digital Markets and AI in non- EU/US Countries”

Saturday July 4

09:00 – 19:15 Greeting & CRESSE Flashback 2006-2026 by Prof. Yannis Katsoulacos

09:15 – 09:55 Plenary Session: SPECIAL KEYNOTE DIALEKSIS by Prof. Jean Tirole

09:55 – 11:35 Contributed Papers: Parallel Sessions 6, 7, 8 & 9

11:35 – 12:05 Coffee Break

12:05 – 13:45 Parallel Sessions: Special Policy Session 5 “Industrial Policy, Competitiveness, Resilience and the Politicization of Antitrust” & Special Policy Session 6 “EC’S Merger Guidelines”

13:45 – 15:00 Lunch Break

15:00 – 16:35 Contributed Papers: Parallel Sessions 10 & 11

16:35 – 17:05 Coffee Break

17:05 – 18:30 Plenary session: Special Policy Session 7 “The Limits of Antitrust: Competition Policy and Regulation in AI”

Sunday July 5

09:00 – 10:40 Contributed Papers: Parallel Sessions 12, 13, 14 & 15

10:40 – 11:10 Coffee Break

11:10 – 12:50 Contributed Papers: Parallel Sessions 16, 17, 18 & 19

12:50 – 13:30 Plenary session: COMPETITION POLICY KEYNOTE LECTURE by Prof. Robert Clark

13:30 – 15:00 Lunch Break

15:00 – 16:35 Parallel Sessions: Invited Presentations & Contributed Papers: Session 20

16:35 – 17:05 Coffee Break

17:05 – 18:30 Plenary session: Special Policy Session 8 “Algorithmic Collusion and AI”

20:20

Departure by bus from the VENUE HOTEL to the Conference Dinner

EARLY REGISTRATION		THURSDAY, July 2		(18:00 – 19:00)	
08:20 – 08:45		REGISTRATION			
08:45 – 08:50		ROOM: POSEIDON 1			
BRIEF WELCOMING REMARKS					
by Patrick Rey (Toulouse School of Economics, Member of the CRESSE Scientific Committee)					
08:50 – 09:30		ROOM: POSEIDON 1			
PLENARY SESSION					
JJ LAFFONT KEYNOTE LECTURE BY					
Prof. Dr. Martin Peitz (University of Mannheim) on					
<i>“Recommendation Power”</i>					
Chair: Patrick Rey (Toulouse School of Economics)					
09:30 - 10:50		PARALLEL SESSIONS			
ROOM: POSEIDON 1		ROOM: POSEIDON 2			
PARALLEL SESSION 1		SPECIAL POLICY SESSION 1			
26’/paper		<i>“Labour Market Collusion”</i>			
Chair: Massimo Motta (ICREA-Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona School of Economics)		PANEL in alphabetical order:			
Leonardo Madio (University of Padua), Fabio M. Manenti (University of Padua), Massimo Motta* (ICREA-Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona School of Economics)		Matthew Bennett (Vice President, Charles River Associates)			
Platform Tying and its Effects		Ioannis Kokkoris (Director of the Centre for Commercial Law Studies at Queen Mary University, Member, UK Competition Appeal Tribunal)			
Discussant: Heski Bar- Isaac (University of Toronto)		Despina Pachnou (Senior Competition Expert, OECD)			
Heski Bar- Isaac* (University of Toronto), Sandro Shelegia (Universitat Pompeu Fabra, BSE, and CEPR)		Lars Sørgard (Norwegian School of Economics)			
Impressing the Algorithm: Sales-Based Ranking, Learning, and Off-Platform Pricing		Helder Vasconcelos (RBB Economics)			
Discussant: Massimo Motta (ICREA-Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona School of Economics)		Thibaud Vergé (Vice-President, Autorité de la Concurrence)			
		Chair: Nancy Rose (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)			

FRIDAY, July 3

Marie-Laure Allain* (CREST, CNRS, Ecole Polytechnique, Institut Polytechnique de Paris), **Claire Chambolle** (Université Paris-Saclay, INRAE, CREST), **Patrick Rey** (Toulouse School of Economics)

Conglomerate Mergers and the Dynamics of Innovation

Discussant: **Özlem Bedre-Defolie** (European University Institute)

10:50 – 11:20

COFFEE BREAK

11:20 – 12:00

ROOM: POSEIDON 1

PLENARY SESSION

LAWYERS' KEYNOTE LECTURE BY

Prof. Christopher Leslie (University of California, Irvine School of Law) on
“Antitrust and Empathy”

Chair: William Kovacic (The George Washington University Law School, former Federal Trade Commission Chairman)

12:00 – 13:20

ROOM: POSEIDON 1

PLENARY SESSION

SPECIAL POLICY SESSION 2

“Socially Responsible Agencies: The Scope of their Mandate”

PANEL in alphabetical order:

Antonio Gomes (Deputy Director, OECD Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs)

Assimakis Komninos (White & Case)

Pierre Régibeau (Analysis Group, former Chief Economist DG COMP)

Jean Tirole (Toulouse School of Economics, 2014 Nobel Laureate in Economics)

Anne Witt (EDHEC Business School, Augmented Law Institute)

Chair: Philip Marsden (College of Europe, Bruges)

13:20 – 14:45

LUNCH BREAK

14:45- 16:25		25'/paper		PARALLEL SESSIONS			
ROOM: POSEIDON 1		ROOM: POSEIDON 2		ROOM: ARTEMIS 6		ROOM: ARTEMIS 8	
<i>PARALLEL SESSION 2</i>		<i>PARALLEL SESSION 3</i>		<i>PARALLEL SESSION 4</i>		<i>PARALLEL SESSION 5</i>	
Chair: Willem Boshoff (Centre for Competition Law and Economics, Stellenbosch University)		Chair: Yannis Katsoulacos (Athens University of Economics and Business)		Chair: Özlem Bedre-Defolie (European University Institute)		Chair: Catherine Roux (University of Basel)	
Ping Lin* (Shandong University), Pengyao Zhang (Shandong University) <i>Acquire-to-Save vs. Acquire-to-Kill: A Study of Competing Acquisitions of Start-ups</i> Discussant: Willem Boshoff (Centre for Competition Law and Economics, Stellenbosch University)		Jing Su* (CORE, Université catholique de Louvain; ECARES, Université libre de Bruxelles), Sirui Li (ECARES, Université libre de Bruxelles and Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique - FNRS) <i>Consumer Fairness Concerns and Price Discrimination of Two-Sided Platforms</i> Discussant: Jacob Seifert (University of Leicester)		Daniel P. O'Brien* (Microfoundations), Greg Shaffer (Simon Business School, University of Rochester) <i>Exclusivity Auctions and Regulated Price Formation</i> Discussant: Senay Sokullu (University of Bristol)		Jack Buckley (e61 Institute), David P. Byrne* (University of Melbourne), Matt Elias (University of Chicago), Nicolas de Roos (University of Liverpool), Matthew S. Lewis (Clemson University), Aditya Maitra (e61 Institute), Xiaosong Wu (University of Melbourne) <i>Distributional Demand Elasticity in Retail Gasoline Markets</i> Discussant: Magnus Friis Reitan (The Norwegian Competition Authority)	
Willem Boshoff* (Centre for Competition Law and Economics, Stellenbosch University), Katherine Stainton (Researcher, Centre for Competition Law and Economics, Stellenbosch University) <i>Merger Control and Potential Competition: The MIH/WeBuyCars Case</i> Discussant: Ping Lin (Shandong University)		David Ulph (University of St Andrews), Yannis Katsoulacos (Athens University of Economics and Business), Jacob Seifert* (University of Leicester) <i>Introducing Distributional Considerations into the Assessment of Anti-Competitive Conduct – A Normative Approach</i> Discussant: Pierre Regibeau (Analysis Group, former Chief Economist DG COMP)		Özlem Bedre-Defolie (European University Institute), Senay Sokullu* (University of Bristol) <i>Estimating the Implications of Hybrid Platform Business Model: The case of Amazon</i> Discussant: Daniel P. O'Brien (Microfoundations)		Kurt R. Brekke (Norwegian School of Economics (NHH)), Magnus Friis Reitan* (The Norwegian Competition Authority), Lars Sørsgard (Norwegian School of Economics) <i>Halting a Competitor's Mobile Network Roll-out: The Norwegian Telenor Abuse Case</i> Discussant: David P. Byrne (University of Melbourne)	
Hung Le* (Aalto University School of Business Helsinki Graduate School of Economics), Otto Toivanen (Aalto University School of Business, Helsinki Graduate School of Economics and CEPR) <i>Competition or Collusion? Entry Decisions in the Swedish Pharmaceutical Market</i> Discussant: Geza Sapi (European Commission (DG Competition), Düsseldorf Institute for Competition Economics, Heinrich-Heine Universität)		Emilie Feyler (MINES Paris - PSL University, GW Competition and Innovation Lab, NERA Economic Consulting), Dennis Rickert* (MINES Paris - PSL University and Duesseldorf Institute for Competition Economics (DICE)) <i>Unintended Consequences of Higher Minimum Wages. Empirical Evidence from Grocery Retailing in the U.S.</i> Discussant: Saattvic (Econic Partners)		Fabio Antoniou* (Athens University of Economics and Business), Raffaele Fiocco (University of Bergamo, Department of Economics), Salvatore Piccolo (University of Bergamo, Department of Economics, Econic Partners LLC) <i>Competition Through Storage</i> Discussant: David Gilo (Tel Aviv University)		Panagiotis Fotis* (Hellenic Competition Commission, University of Aegean), Michael Polemis (Hellenic Competition Commission, University of Piraeus, Hellenic Open University) <i>Persistent Collusion and the Limits of Antitrust Deterrence: Evidence from Cartel Recidivism</i> Discussant: Sichen Qian (University of Freiburg)	

FRIDAY, July 3

Tomaso Duso (DIW Berlin, Technische Universität Berlin, CEPR, and CESifo), Joseph E. Harrington, Jr. (The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania), Carl Kreuzberg (DIW Berlin), Geza Sapi* (European Commission (DG Competition), Düsseldorf Institute for Competition Economics, Heinrich-Heine Universität) <i>Screening Trade Association Messaging for Collusion: A Text Analysis Tool for Competition Authorities</i> Discussant: Hung Le (Aalto University School of Business Helsinki Graduate School of Economics)	Francine Lafontaine (Ross School of Business, University of Michigan, and CEPR), Saattvic* (Econic Partners), Margaret Slade (Vancouver School of Economics, The University of British Columbia) <i>No-Poaching Clauses in Franchise Contracts: The Effect on Wages</i> Discussant: Dennis Rickert (MINES Paris - PSL University and Duesseldorf Institute for Competition Economics (DICE))	David Gilo* (Tel Aviv University), Yaron Yehezkel (Coller School of Management, Tel Aviv University) <i>Why Suppliers Might Prefer Linear and Secret Vertical Contracts?</i> Discussant: Fabio Antoniou (Athens University of Economics and Business, Department of Economics)	Germain Gaudin (University of Freiburg), Niklas Nagel (University of Freiburg), Sichen Qian* (University of Freiburg) <i>Cartels in Complementary Goods Markets: Theory and Evidence</i> Discussant: Panagiotis Fotis (Hellenic Competition Commission, University of Aegean)
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16:25 – 16:50

COFFEE BREAK

16:50- 18:30

PARALLEL SESSIONS

ROOM: POSEIDON 1

SPECIAL POLICY SESSION 3

“20 Years of Private Damages Actions in the EU: The Role of Economists”

PANEL in alphabetical order:

Kai Brauneisen (Judicial Clerk, Federal Constitutional Court, Germany)

John Davies (Member of the Competition Appeal Tribunal, UK)

Hans Friederszick (Director and founder of E.CA Economics)

Thomas Ross (UBC Sauder School of Business)

Till Schreiber (CDC Cartel Damage Claims Consulting SRL)

Frode Steen (Norwegian School of Economics and CEPR)

Chair: Maarten Pieter Schinkel (University of Amsterdam)

ROOM: POSEIDON 2

SPECIAL POLICY SESSION 4

“Competition Policy and Regulation in Digital Markets and AI in non-EU/US Countries”

PANEL in alphabetical order:

David P. Byrne (Department of Economics, University of Melbourne)

Camila Cabral Pires Alves (Commissioner, CADE, Brazil, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro)

James Hodge (Commissioner, Competition Commission of South Africa)

Daisuke Ikezawa (Director, Office of Policy Planning and Research for Digital Markets, Economic Affairs Bureau, JFTC)

Kerem Cem Sanli (Dean, Istanbul Bilgi University Faculty of Law Director - Competition Law and Policy Research Center Santralkampus)

Roger Zhang (VP for Public Affairs, Tencent)

Chair: Krisztian Katona (Vice President of Global Competition and Regulatory Policy at the Computer and Communications Industry Association (CCIA))

09:00-09:15 ROOM: POSEIDON 1

Greeting & CRESSE Flashback 2006-2026

by **Yannis Katsoulacos** (Athens University of Economics and Business)

09:15- 9:55 ROOM: POSEIDON 1

PLENARY SESSION

SPECIAL KEYNOTE DIALEKSIS BY

Prof. Jean Tirole (Toulouse School of Economics) on

“Global Disorder, Economic Policy and the Pursuit of the Common Good”

Chair: Frederic Jenny (ESSEC Business School, Fernand Braudel Fellow European University Institute)

09:55- 11:35 25'/paper

PARALLEL SESSIONS

ROOM: POSEIDON 1 <i>PARALLEL SESSION 6</i> Chair: Michele Polo (Bocconi University, IGIER)	ROOM: POSEIDON 2 <i>PARALLEL SESSION 7</i> Chair: Christos Genakos (University of Cambridge, Cambridge Judge Business School), CEP and CEPR)	ROOM: ARTEMIS 6 <i>PARALLEL SESSION 8</i> Chair: David P. Byrne (Department of Economics, University of Melbourne)	ROOM: ARTEMIS 8 <i>PARALLEL SESSION 9</i> Chair: Farasat A.S. Bokhari (Loughborough Business School, Centre for Competition Policy, University of East Anglia)
Yassine Lefouilli (Toulouse School of Economics), Pierre Regibeau (Analysis Group, former Chief Economist DG COMP), Katharine Rockett* (University of Essex) <i>SEPs, Patent Pools and Buying Groups with Bilateral Hold-Up</i> Discussant: Andreea Enache (Stockholm School of Economics, CEPR)	Germain Gaudin (University of Freiburg), Christos Genakos* (University of Cambridge, Cambridge Judge Business School), CEP and CEPR), Felix Grey (UK Department for Energy Security and Net Zero), Robert A. Ritz (University of Cambridge, Imperial Business School) <i>Generalized Linear Competition: From Pass-through to Policy</i> Discussant: Bertram Neurohr (Oxera)	Melissa Newham* (Department of Management, Technology, and Economics, ETH), David Jaggi (Department of Finance, University of Zurich, and Zurich University of Applied Sciences), Jan-Alexander Posth (Zurich University of Applied Sciences) <i>Greening the deal: Can Mergers Redirect Innovation?</i> Discussant: Lapo Filistrucchi (Department of Economics, University of Florence)	Gastón Llanes (Catholic University of Chile), Leonardo Madio* (University of Padua) <i>App Store Competition</i> Discussant: Jing Su (CORE, Université catholique de Louvain; ECARES, Université libre de Bruxelles)

SATURDAY, July 4

R. Camboni (University of Padova), Andreea Enache* (Stockholm School of Economics, CEPR), J.-P. Florens (Toulouse School of Economics), P. Gagnepain (Paris School of Economics, Université Paris 1), D. Martimort (Toulouse School of Economics), P. Valbonesi (University of Padova) <i>Hierarchical Regulation and Local Capture in Pharmaceutical Public Procurement</i> Discussant: Maria Letizia Giorgetti (University of Milan)	Bertram Neurohr* (Oxera), Emiel Awad (Oxera), Aaron Bell (Oxera) <i>Competition And Pass-Through of Market-Wide Cost Changes Under Convex Costs</i> Discussant: Christos Genakos (University of Cambridge (Cambridge Judge Business School), CEP and CEPR))	Jihwan Do* (Yonsei University, School of Economics), Jeanine Miklós -Thal (University of Rochester, Simon Business School) <i>Price Randomization and Favor Exchange in Imperfect Cartels</i> Discussant: Marie-Laure Allain (CREST, CNRS, Ecole Polytechnique, Institut Polytechnique de Paris)	Martino De Stefano (Charles River Associates), Serge Moresi (Charles River Associates), Ignacio J. Núñez* (Charles River Associates) <i>Market Allocation in Differentiated Bertrand Competition</i> Discussant: Theodor Friederiszick (University of Zurich)
Özlem Bedre Defolie* (European University Institute), Bjørn Olav Johansen (University of Bergen), Leonardo Madio (University of Padua) <i>Curation with moral hazard: Why platforms host low quality</i> Discussant: Michele Polo (Bocconi University, IGIER)	Maurice Bun (Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Amsterdam), Leo Huberts* (Amsterdam Business School, University of Amsterdam), Maarten Pieter Schinkel (Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Amsterdam) <i>Dating Cartel Transitions: A Robust Approach to Estimating Gradual Price Effects of Collusion</i> Discussant: Nicolas de Roos (University of Liverpool)	Florian Ederer (Boston University Questrom School of Business, CEPR, ECGI, and NBER), Regina Seibel* (Toronto Rotman School of Management), Timothy Simcoe (Boston University Questrom School of Business and NBER) <i>Digital (Killer?) Acquisitions</i> Discussant: Charon Jiawei Yang (Department of Economics, University of Melbourne)	Theodor Friederiszick* (University of Zurich), Axel Malmcrona (University of Gothenburg), Nelson Sunuwar (University of Zurich) <i>Labor Market Competition and Job Loss</i> Discussant: Ignacio J. Núñez (Charles River Associates)
Pietro Azzali (Toulouse School of Economics), Vincenzo Denicolò (University of Bologna, CEPR), Michele Polo* (Bocconi University, IGIER) <i>Dominant Ecosystems and Innovation Slowdown</i> Discussant: Leonardo Madio (University of Padua)	Matthew Backus (UC Berkeley), Nicolas de Roos* (University of Liverpool), Leslie M. Marx (Fuqua School of Business, Duke University) <i>Price Wars as Costly Signaling</i> Discussant: Leo Huberts (Amsterdam Business School, University of Amsterdam)	David P. Byrne (Department of Economics, University of Melbourne), Nicolas de Roos (School of Management, University of Liverpool), Matthew S. Lewis (John E. Walker Department of Economics, Clemson University), Xiaosong Wu (Department of Economics, University of Melbourne), Charon Jiawei Yang* (Department of Economics, University of Melbourne) <i>Apps Matter: Search Dynamics and Platform Design</i> Discussant: Regina Seibel (Toronto Rotman School of Management)	Farasat A.S. Bokhari* (Loughborough Business School, Centre for Competition Policy, University of East Anglia), Sean Ennis (Norwich Business School, Centre for Competition Policy, University of East Anglia), Carlos Vega (Economics Office, Philippine Competition Commission, E.CA Economics, UK), Weijie Yan (E.CA Economics, University of East Anglia) <i>Merger efficiency and coordinated effects: nothing to sneeze at? Evidence from cough and cold medicines in the Philippines</i> Discussant: Melissa Newham (Department of Management, Technology, and Economics, ETH)

11:35 – 12:05

COFFEE BREAK

12:05- 13:45

PARALLEL SESSIONS

ROOM: POSEIDON 1

SPECIAL POLICY SESSION 5

“Industrial Policy, Competitiveness, Resilience and the Politicization of Antitrust”

PANEL in alphabetical order:

Tomaso Duso (Head of the Firms and Markets Department at the German Institute for Economic Research (DIW Berlin))

Ariel Ezrachi (University of Oxford)

Eleanor Fox (New York University School of Law)
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Deborah Healey (Director, China International Business and Economic Law (CIBEL) Centre
UNSW Law and Justice, Australia)

Frederic Jenny (ESSEC Business School, Fernand Braudel Fellow European University Institute)

William Kovacic (The George Washington University Law School, former Federal Trade Commission Chairman)

Chair: Martin Peitz (University of Mannheim)

ROOM: POSEIDON 2

SPECIAL POLICY SESSION 6

“EC’s Merger Guidelines”

PANEL in alphabetical order:

Benoît Durand (RBB Economics)

Giulio Federico (Partner, OXERA)

Dave Foster (Executive Director, Frontier Economics)

Bruno Jullien (Toulouse School of Economics)

Massimo Motta (ICREA-Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona School of Economics)

Emanuele Tarantino (Chief Competition Economist at DG COMP)

Thibaud Vergé (Vice-President, Autorité de la Concurrence)

Chair: Chiara Fumagalli (Bocconi University)

13:45 – 15:00

LUNCH BREAK

15:00- 16:35 24'/paper PARALLEL SESSIONS	
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Özlem Bedre-Defolie (European University Institute, ESMT Berlin and CEPR), Gary Biglaiser (University of North Carolina), Panagiotis Kyriazis* (European University Institute) <i>Raising Rival's Quality Cost: Exclusive Input Ownership and Competition</i> Discussant: Jacques Crémer (Toulouse School of Economics)	Matias Pietola* (Helsinki Graduate School of Economics, European Commission, Chief Economist Team), Emanuele Tarantino (Luiss Department of Economics and Finance, European Commission, Chief Competition Economist), Hans Zenger (European Commission, Chief Economist Team, DG Competition) <i>Mergers, Innovation Efficiencies, and the Investment Channel</i> Discussant: Bruno Jullien (Toulouse School of Economics)
Gary Biglaiser (University of North Carolina), Jacques Crémer* (Toulouse School of Economics) <i>Endogenous Switching costs</i> Discussant: Panagiotis Kyriazis (European University Institute)	Anna D'Annunzio (University of Rome - Tor Vergata, Department of Economics and Finance), Bruno Jullien* (Toulouse School of Economics), Yassine Lefouili (Toulouse School of Economics), Leonardo Madio (University of Padua) <i>Mergers and R&D Spillovers</i> Discussant: Matias Pietola (Helsinki Graduate School of Economics, European Commission, Chief Economist Team)
Chiara Criscuolo (International Finance Corporation (IFC) — World Bank Group), Tomaso Duso* (DIW Berlin, German Monopolies Commission), Leonard le Roux (International Finance Corporation (IFC) — World Bank Group), Antonis Tsiflis (World Bank) <i>Competition Enforcement Effects across the Value Chain</i> Discussant: Giacomo Calzolari (European University Institute, CEPR)	José Azar (University of Navarra, IESE & CEPR), Xavier Vives* (IESE Business School & CEPR) <i>Revisiting the Anticompetitive Effects of Common Ownership</i> Discussant: Yossi Spiegel (Coller School of Management, Tel Aviv University, CEPR, and ZEW)
Giacomo Calzolari* (European University Institute, CEPR), Vincenzo Denicolò (University of Bologna and CEPR) <i>Non-Cooperative Parallel Exclusion</i> Discussant: Chiara Fumagalli (Bocconi University)	Nadav Levy (Tiomkin School of Economics, Reichman University (IDC Herzliya)), Yossi Spiegel* (Coller School of Management, Tel Aviv University, CEPR, and ZEW) <i>What do we know about Partial Ownership?</i> Discussant: Xavier Vives (IESE Business School & CEPR)
16:35 – 17:05 COFFEE BREAK	

17:05 – 18:30 ROOM: POSEIDON 1

PLENARY SESSION
SPECIAL POLICY SESSION 7

“The Limits of Antitrust: Competition Policy and Regulation in AI”

PANEL in alphabetical order:

Giacomo Calzolari (European University Institute)

Jan Eeckhout (Barcelona School of Economics)

Ginger Zhe Jin (University of Maryland)

Howard Shelanski (Georgetown University, formerly Director of the Bureau of Economics at the U.S. FTC and Administrator of the White House Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs)

Jean Tirole (Toulouse School of Economics)

Julian Wright (National University of Singapore) -online

Chair: Jacques Crémer (Toulouse School of Economics)

09:00- 10:40 25'/paper PARALLEL SESSIONS			
ROOM: POSEIDON 1 <i>PARALLEL SESSION 12</i> Chair: Sandra Marco Colino (Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong)	ROOM: POSEIDON 2 <i>PARALLEL SESSION 13</i> Chair: Ping Lin (School of Economics, Shandong University)	ROOM: ARTEMIS 6 <i>PARALLEL SESSION 14</i> Chair: Flavia Roldán (Universidad ORT Uruguay)	ROOM: ARTEMIS 8 <i>PARALLEL SESSION 15</i> Chair: Serge Moresi (Charles River Associates)
Jan Eeckhout* (UPF Barcelona), Laura Veldkamp (Columbia) <i>Data and Markups: A Macro-Finance Perspective</i> Discussant: Yonggeun Jung (Department of Economics, University of Florida)	Zombor Berezhvai (Corvinus University of Budapest), Magdalena Knapp* (University of Warsaw) <i>Welfare And Profit Implications of Resale-Below-Cost Regulations in Food Supply Chains</i> Discussant: Ping Lin (School of Economics, Shandong University)	José L. Moraga-González (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Tinbergen Institute, CEPR, Public-Private Sector Research Center (IESE, Barcelona)), Evgenia Motchenkova* (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Tinbergen Institute, Tilburg Law and Economics Center (TILEC)), Long Hoàng (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Eastern International University, Vietnam) <i>Pricing and Investment by a Two-sided Monopoly Platform</i> Discussant: Franco Mariuzzo (University of East Anglia)	Lapo Filistrucchi (Department of Economics, University of Florence), Tobias J. Klein* (Tilburg University) <i>An Empirical Framework for Platform Markets</i> Discussant: Zhonglin Li (National University of Singapore)
Yonggeun Jung (Department of Economics, University of Florida) <i>Cross-category Portfolio and Bargaining Power: Evidence from the US Men's Razor Market</i> Discussant: Jan Eeckhout (UPF Barcelona)	Ping Lin* (School of Economics, Shandong University), Zhaoning Luo (School of Economics, Shandong University) <i>Open vs. Closed-Source Strategies of AI Firms in Vertical Structures</i> Discussant: Zombor Berezhvai (Corvinus University of Budapest)	Edgardo M. Jopson (Philippine Competition Commission), Fabio M. Manenti (University of Padua), Franco Mariuzzo* (University of East Anglia), Shereena S. Salas (Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas), Junjun Zhang (University of East Anglia) <i>Correlates of Multihoming in Multisided Online Food Delivery Platforms</i> Discussant: Evgenia Motchenkova (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Tinbergen Institute, Tilburg Law and Economics Center (TILEC))	Zhonglin Li* (National University of Singapore), Hsin-Tien Tsai (National University of Singapore) <i>Vertical Control and Retail Competition: Evidence from Consumer Battery Industry</i> Discussant: Tobias J. Klein (Tilburg University)
Jet Deng (Senior partner, Dacheng Beijing) <i>Emerging Competition Issues and Antitrust Regulation of Embodied AI: China's Perspective</i> Discussant: Sandra Marco Colino (Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong)	Seppe Maes* (Department of Applied Economics, Vrije Universiteit Brussel), Caroline Buts (Department of Applied Economics, Vrije Universiteit Brussel), Marc Jegers (Department of Applied Economics, Vrije Universiteit Brussel) <i>Distortive Effects of Different State aid Instruments: Evidence from COVID-19 Support Measures</i> Discussant: Màxim Sandiumenge-i-Boy (Toulouse School of Economics)	Stephany Torres* (Primerio), Michael-James Currie (Primerio), Tyla Coertzen (Primerio) <i>Market Definition in Pharmaceutical Markets: Rethinking Substitutability in the Presence of Patent Strategies and Evergreening With Evidence from GLP-1 markets</i> Discussant: Flavia Roldán (Universidad ORT Uruguay)	Germain Gaudin (Institute of Economics, University of Freiburg), Armin Schmutzler* (Department of Economics, University of Zurich, and CEPR) <i>Policies against Mergers and Abuse of Dominance: What are the Effects on Innovation and Entry?</i> Discussant: Serge Moresi (Charles River Associates)

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Peter Bönisch (Compass Lexecon, Berlin), Georg Clemens (Compass Lexecon, Düsseldorf), Kaan Gürer* (Linklaters, Düsseldorf) <i>The Five Elements of Negligence in Cartel Damages Law: Assessing the Rebuttable Presumption on Harm in Hungary and Latvia</i> Discussant: Tom Ross (Sauder School of Business, University of British Columbia)	Màxim Sandiumenge-i-Boy (Toulouse School of Economics) <i>Consumer Dynamics and Vertical Relations: Coordination and Foreclosure in a U.S. Consumer Goods Industry</i> Discussant: Caroline Buts (Department of Applied Economics, Vrije Universiteit Brussel)	Fernando Borraz (Departamento de Economía, Facultad de Ciencias Sociales, Universidad de la República), Flavia Roldán* (Universidad ORT Uruguay) <i>Retail Consolidation: Prices, Variety, and Vertical Positioning</i> Discussant: Stephany Torres (Primerio)	Martino De Stefano (Charles River Associates), Serge Moresi* (Charles River Associates) <i>Market Allocation in Procurement Auctions</i> Discussant: Armin Schmutzler (Department of Economics, University of Zurich, and CEPR)
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10:40 – 11:10

COFFEE BREAK

11:10- 12:50

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PARALLEL SESSIONS

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<i>PARALLEL SESSION 16</i>	<i>PARALLEL SESSION 17</i>	<i>PARALLEL SESSION 18</i>	<i>PARALLEL SESSION 19</i>
Chair: Claire Chambolle (Universite Paris-Saclay, INRAE, AgroParisTech, Paris-Saclay Applied Economics)	Chair: Yannis Katsoulacos (Emeritus Professor of Economics Athens University of Economics and Business)	Chair: Samuli Leppälä (Finnish Competition and Consumer Authority (FCCA))	Chair: Andrea Günster (University of Applied Sciences Zürich (ZHAW), Institute of Business Information Technology)
Paul Friederiszick (Fordham School of Law) <i>The Conglomerate Power Puzzle</i> Discussant: Winand Emons (University of Bern)	Zhixue Gao* (Jiangshi University of Finance and Economics (JUFE)), Yannis Katsoulacos (Emeritus Professor of Economics Athens University of Economics and Business), Zili Wang (Jiangshi University of Finance and Economics (JUFE)), Lingbing Feng (Jiangshi University of Finance and Economics (JUFE)) <i>The Effect of Antitrust Evidentiary Standards on Firms' Valuation, Legal Uncertainty and Deterrence</i> Discussant: Eduardo P. Ribeiro (Instituto de Economia - UFRJ)	Samuli Leppälä* (Finnish Competition and Consumer Authority (FCCA)), Antti Saastamoinen (Finnish Competition and Consumer Authority (FCCA)) <i>Competitive Proximity and Opening Hours in Finland's Pharmacy Market</i> Discussant: Kevin Ducbao Tran (University of Bristol)	Nicole Bellert (University of Applied Sciences Zürich (ZHAW), Institute for Wealth & Asset Management, University of Zurich (UZH), Institute for Informatics), Andrea Günster* (University of Applied Sciences Zürich (ZHAW), Institute of Business Information Technology) <i>Simulating Collusion and Enforcement</i> Discussant: Catarina Marvão (University College Dublin (Smurfit), Stockholm School of Economics (SITE))

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Frederic Jenny (ESSEC Business School, Fernand Braudel Fellow European University Institute) <i>Will, Skill, and Bill: Re-engineering EU Merger Control for Dynamic Markets?</i> Discussant: Paul Friederiszick (Fordham School of Law)	Ana Coelho (Instituto de Economia - UFRJ), Eduardo P. Ribeiro* (Instituto de Economia - UFRJ), Susan Schommer (Instituto de Economia - UFRJ) <i>Airline Alliances, Antitrust Remedies, And Airfares: Evidence from Brazil</i> Discussant: Frank Verboven (KU Leuven)	Maximilian Schaefer (Institut Mines-Télécom), Kevin Ducbao Tran* (University of Bristol) <i>Airbnb, Hotels, and Localized Competition</i> Discussant: Samuli Leppälä (Finnish Competition and Consumer Authority (FCCA))	Cécile Aubert (Univ. Bordeaux, CNRS, INRAE, BxSE, UMR), Catarina Marvão* (University College Dublin (Smurfit), Stockholm School of Economics), Luís Santos-Pinto (University of Lausanne), Giancarlo Spagnolo (Tor Vergata, CEPR) <i>Managerial Overconfidence and Collusion</i> Discussant: Andrea Günster (University of Applied Sciences Zürich (ZHAW), Institute of Business Information Technology)
Rhys J. Williams (University of Cambridge) <i>Never Knowingly Undersold - Do Price Match Guarantees Result in Lower Prices?</i> Discussant: Claire Chambolle (Université Paris-Saclay, INRAE, AgroParisTech, Paris-Saclay Applied Economics)	Enxhi Leka (Institut Mines-Télécom Business School) <i>Exploring Digital Sovereignty Through Data Flows: Empirical Evidence from the Backbone of the Internet</i> Discussant: Lukasz Grzybowski (University of Warsaw, University of Cape Town)	Martin Delville (Telecom Paris, Institut Polytechnique de Paris) <i>Floor Shipping Fee and Resale Price Maintenance : Analysis of the French book market</i> Discussant: Filip Premik (Monash University)	Hanna Halaburda (Stern School of Management, New York University), Sarit Markovich (Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University), Yaron Yehezkel* (Coller School of Management, Tel Aviv University) <i>When does Quality beat Data? Gaining Momentum in Dynamic Platform Competition</i> Discussant: Si Hao Li (Telecom Paris – CREST)
Remi Avignon (SMART, INRAE, Rennes), Claire Chambolle* (Université Paris-Saclay, INRAE, AgroParisTech, Paris-Saclay Applied Economics) <i>Centralized or Decentralized Retail Pricing Strategy</i> Discussant: Rhys J. Williams (University of Cambridge)	Roxana Fernández (European Commission - Joint Research Centre), Lukasz Grzybowski* (University of Warsaw, University of Cape Town), Christine Zulehner (University of Vienna) <i>How Bundling Impacts Firms' Entry Decisions: Evidence from Broadband Internet</i> Discussant: Enxhi Leka (Institut Mines-Télécom Business School)	Filip Premik (Monash University) <i>Identifying Buyer's Conduct in Procurement Auctions</i> Discussant: Martin Delville (Telecom Paris, Institut Polytechnique de Paris)	Lukasz Grzybowski (University of Warsaw, University of Cape Town), Marc Bourreau (Telecom Paris – CREST), Si Hao Li* (Telecom Paris – CREST) <i>The Impact of Mobile Money and Interoperability Regulation on Competition Between Mobile Operators</i> Discussant: Yaron Yehezkel (Coller School of Management, Tel Aviv University)

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PLENARY SESSION

COMPETITION POLICY KEYNOTE LECTURE by

Prof. Robert Clark (University of Toronto) on

“Information sharing platforms and coordination”

Chair: **Joseph E. Harrington, Jr.** (Department of Business Economics & Public Policy,
The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania)

13:30 – 15:00

LUNCH BREAK

15:00 – 16:35

PARALLEL SESSIONS

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INVITED PRESENTATIONS

PANEL in alphabetical order:

Reiko Aoki (Special Advisor at Japan Fair Trade Commission) on

“Economics of Abuse of Superior Bargaining Position, an Unfair Practice”

Michal Gal (University of Haifa) on

“Less Recognized Competitive Effects of GenAI”

Herbert Hovenkamp (Univ. of Pennsylvania Carey Law School and the Wharton School) on

“Antitrust Policy and Disruptive Industries”

Nancy Rose (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) on
“Advancing Labor Market Antitrust”

Chair: **Tom Ross** (Sauder School of Business, University of British Columbia)

ROOM: POSEIDON 2

PARALLEL SESSION 20 24’/paper

Chair: **Volker Nocke** (University of Mannheim and CEPR)

Eduardo M. Azevedo (The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania), **Joseph E. Harrington, Jr.*** (The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania), **Ioan O. Rusu** (School of Economics, Drexel University)

Collusive Content in Corporate Communications

Discussant: **Ginger Zhe Jin** (University of Maryland)

Ginger Zhe Jin* (University of Maryland), **D. Daniel Sokol** (USC Gould School of Law and USC Marshall School of Business, University of Southern California), **Liad Wagman** (Lally School of Management, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute)

Adaptive Enforcement with AI-Augmented Monitoring

Discussant: **Joseph E. Harrington, Jr.** (The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania)

Volker Nocke* (University of Mannheim and CEPR), **Martin Peitz** (University of Mannheim and CEPR), **Nicolas Schutz** (University of Mannheim and CEPR)

Merger Control in a Changing World

Discussant: **Yongmin Chen** (University of Colorado Boulder)

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Yongmin Chen (University of Colorado Boulder)

Open or Closed? Source-Sharing Strategies in AI Competition

Discussant: **Volker Nocke** (University of Mannheim and CEPR)

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17:05 – 18:30 **ROOM: POSEIDON 1**

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SPECIAL POLICY SESSION 8

“Algorithmic Collusion and AI”

PANEL in alphabetical order:

Susana Campuzano Fernández (Director-General, Competition Directorate, CNMC)

Robert Clark (University of Toronto)

Michal S. Gal (University of Haifa)

Ana Sofia Rodrigues (Member of the Board of the Portuguese Competition Authority)

Keith Waehrer (Managing Director, Secretariat)

Chair: Joe Harrington (Department of Business Economics & Public Policy, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania)

END OF CONFERENCE

20:20 Departure by bus from the Venue Hotel to the Conference dinner

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