

3rd Conference of the Research Network on Innovation and Competition Policy:

Competition Policy and Innovation: Where do we stand?

With panel discussion on "Competition Policy in (the) Crisis?"

October 30-31, 2009 in Vienna, Austria

The Department of Economics of the University of Vienna organizes the 3rd Conference of the Research Network on Innovation and Competition Policy (RNIC), which is a cooperation of eight research institutes and universities in Europe (ZEW, WZB, and the Universities of KU Leuven, Maastricht, Mannheim, Toulouse I, Tübingen, and Vienna).

It aims to bring together scholars from different disciplines, including economics, competition law, and management, to discuss current competition policy matters. The network promotes a better understanding of the interplay between firms' innovative activities, competition, and the role of governmental intervention in national and international markets.

Topics of Interest

- Competition law and economics
- Efficiency in competition policy
- Impact of competition policy on innovation
- Intellectual property rights in competition policy
- US vs. EU antitrust law
- Institutional aspects of competition policy
- Political economy of antitrust
- Quantitative methods in antitrust
- Private vs. public antitrust enforcement
- Competition policy and state aid in the current crisis

Theoretical, empirical and policy oriented contributions are welcome.

Keynote Speakers

Joseph Harrington (Johns Hopkins University)
Frank Verboven (KU Leuven and CEPR)
Massimo Motta (University of Bologna)

Scientific Committee

Patrick Beschorner (ZEW)
Gerhard Clemenz (University of Vienna)
Tomaso Duso (Humboldt University Berlin and WZB)
Klaus Gugler (University of Vienna)
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Hannes Ullrich (ZEW)
Florian Wagner-von Papp (UCL and University of Tübingen)

Organizing Committee

Gerhard Clemenz, Klaus Gugler (University of Vienna)

Paper Submission: Young and experienced researchers are equally invited to submit a paper or an extended abstract to klaus.gugler@univie.ac.at. Submission deadline: **July 31, 2009**. Notifications on acceptance: not later than **August 31, 2009**. Participants presenting a paper are asked to submit a full text version not later than **September 30, 2009**.

Registration deadline: **September 30, 2009**. For participants presenting a paper and/or acting as discussant the accommodation and travel expenses will be covered (one speaker per paper). Information about the conference and accepted papers will be posted on

<http://www.univie.ac.at/RNIC>

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