

First Conference of the
Research Network on Innovation and Competition Policy (RNIC):
‘Modern Approaches in Competition Policy’

Mannheim, May 4-5, 2007

Preliminary Program

Friday, May 4

10.30-12.00 RNIC Scientific Council Meeting

12.00-13.00 Registration

13.00-13.15 **Welcome Address**

13.15-14.15	Keynote Lecture I: Lars-Hendrik Röller (esmt) Chair: Georg Licht (ZEW)
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14.15-14.45 Coffee Break

Parallel Session 1

14.45-15.30	Christoph Engel (MPI for Research on Collective Goods, Bonn) <i>Incentives for process innovation in a collusive duopoly</i> Discussant: Jo Seldeslachts (WZB)
15.30-16.15	Robin Kleer (University of Würzburg) <i>The effect of mergers on the incentive to invest in cost reducing innovations</i> Discussant: Liliane Karlinger (University of Vienna)

Parallel Session 2

14.45-15.30	Ricardo Ribeiro (London School of Economics, STICERD) <i>A new continuous demand model for market level data</i> Discussant: Daniel Cerquera (ZEW)
15.30-16.15	Pedro Pereira (Autoridade da Concorrência) <i>Merger analysis in the banking industry: The mortgage loans market</i> Discussant: Nina Leheyda (University of Mannheim and ZEW)

16.15-16.45 Coffee Break

Parallel Session 3

16.45-17.30	Yossi Spiegel (Tel Aviv University) <i>Excessive price regulation</i> Discussant: Cédric Argenton (Stockholm School of Economics)
17.30-18.15	Cédric Argenton (Stockholm School of Economics) <i>Exclusive quality</i> Discussant: Chiara Fumagalli (Università Bocconi and EUI)

Parallel Session 4

16.45-17.30	Klaus Gugler (University of Vienna) <i>How effective is European merger control?</i> Discussant: Vivek Ghosal (Georgia Institute of Technology)
17.30-18.15	Marco Lankhorst (University of Amsterdam, ACLE) <i>Improving accuracy in effects-based analysis: An incentive-oriented approach</i> Discussant: Pedro Pereira (Autoridade da Concorrência)

19.45 Conference Dinner

Saturday, May 5

Parallel Session 5

09.00-09.45	Liliane Karlinger (University of Vienna) <i>Exclusionary pricing and rebates in a network industry</i> Discussant: Yossi Spiegel (Tel Aviv University)
09.45-10.30	Chiara Fumagalli (Università Bocconi and European University Institute) <i>On the anticompetitive effect of exclusive dealing when entry by merger is possible</i> Discussant: Thomas Rønde (University of Copenhagen)

Parallel Session 6

09.00-09.45	Wernhard Möschel (University of Tübingen) <i>US versus EU antitrust law</i> Discussant: Marco Lankhorst (University of Amsterdam, ACLE)
09.45-10.30	Mats Bergman (Swedish Competition Authority) <i>Comparing merger policies: The EU versus the US</i> Discussant: Tomaso Duso (WZB)

10.30-11.00 Coffee Break

Parallel Session 7

11.00-11.40	Jesko Herre (University of Cologne) <i>The impact of antitrust policy on collusion with imperfect monitoring</i> Discussant: Stephen Martin (Purdue University)
11.40-12.20	Giancarlo Spagnolo (University of Rome 'Tor Vergata' and Consip SpA) <i>Optimal leniency programs: Theory and (preliminary) experimental evidence</i> Discussant: Mats Bergman (Swedish Competition Authority)
12.20-13.00	Vivek Ghosal (Georgia Institute of Technology) <i>Discovering cartels: Dynamic interrelationships between civil and criminal antitrust investigations</i> Discussant: Klaus Gugler (University of Vienna)

Parallel Session 8

11.00-11.40	Florin Maican (Göteborg University) <i>How do 'Big-Box' entrants influence the productivity distribution in Swedish food retailing?</i> Discussant: Lionel Janin (DGTPE and CREST-LEI)
11.40-12.20	Georg Gebhardt (LMU Munich) <i>What transportation market data tell about competition between regional final good markets: With an application to European electricity markets</i> Discussant: Ricardo Ribeiro (London School of Economics, STICERD)
12.20-13.00	Nina Leheyda (University of Mannheim and ZEW) <i>Market power, multimarket contact, and pricing: Some evidence from the US automobile market</i> Discussant: Jordi Jaumandreu (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid)

13.00-14.30 Lunch

Parallel Session 9

14.30-15.15	Xavier Boutin (INSEE , CREST-LEI, and University of Toulouse, GREMAQ) <i>Mergers and prices: new evidence using French PPI</i> Discussant: Florin Maican (Göteborg University)
15.15-16.00	Giancarlo Spagnolo (University of Rome 'Tor Vergata' and Consip SpA) <i>The cost of inappropriate interventions/non interventions under Article 82</i>

Parallel Session 10

14.30-15.15	Jo Seldeslachts (WZB) <i>Remedy for now but prevent for tomorrow: The deterrence effects of merger policy tools</i> Discussant: Georg Gebhardt (LMU Munich)
15.15-16.00	Stephen Martin (Purdue University) <i>The goals of antitrust and competition policy</i> Discussant: Florian Wagner-von Papp (UCL and University of Tübingen)

16.00-16.30 Coffee Break

16.30-17.30	Keynote Lecture II: Joseph Harrington Jr. (Johns Hopkins University) <i>The design, practice, and performance of leniency programs</i> Chair: Klaus Gugler (University of Vienna)
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17.30-17.45 **Closing Address**