CALL FOR PAPERS

Northwestern Center on Law, Business, and Economics

Thirteenth Annual Conference on Innovation Economics

Conference theme: Intellectual Property and Antitrust Policy

Thursday, June 11, 2020 — Friday, June 12, 2020


The conference is organized by Daniel F. Spulber. The conference will be a combination of panel discussions, invited talks, and some selected submitted works in both law and economics. The focus on the conference will be on public policy developments, including recent antitrust cases.

The Northwestern Center on Law, Business, and Economics is issuing a call for original research papers to be presented at the Thirteenth Annual Conference on Innovation Economics. The conference will be held at the Northwestern Pritzker School of Law in Chicago, IL. The conference will run from approximately 9:00 A.M. on Thursday, June 11, 2020 to 3:00 P.M. on Friday, June 12, 2020.

The USPTO intends to co-sponsor this conference in conjunction with the Northwestern Center on Law, Business, and Economics.

The goal of this conference is to provide a forum where public policy makers, industry leaders, economists and legal scholars can gather together with Northwestern’s own distinguished faculty to discuss antitrust policy, intellectual property (IP), technology standards, and innovation.

For information on previous conferences please see:

http://www.law.northwestern.edu/research-faculty/clbe/events/innovation/

The conference welcomes both empirical and theoretical economic and legal analysis. This interdisciplinary conference will be composed of presentations by researchers in economics and law, and there will be discussants for the papers. In addition, the
conference will draw audiences of academics in economics, law, and business, as well as legal and business practitioners, government officials, and public policy makers.

Topics of interest include:

- Intellectual Property (IP) and Antitrust Policy
- Antitrust cases involving IP licensing
- Technology Standards
- Standard Setting Organizations
- Standard Essential Patents
- Patent Licensing and technology transfers
- Incentives for invention and innovation

Please note the following:

- Complete papers for the conference should be submitted to the following email address: clbe@law.northwestern.edu.

- Abstracts, incomplete papers, or proposals will not be accepted. The papers should not be either published or forthcoming.

- The submitting author should be the one who intends to present the paper here in Chicago.

- Authors of each accepted paper will receive an allotted speaker fee of $1,500 per paper, regardless of the number of authors. If more than one author attends the conference, the honorarium or travel reimbursement can be divided equally between the attending authors.

- Due to potential funding sources for this event, the Northwestern CLBE reserves the right to structure the payment as either a speaker fee or a travel expense reimbursement up to the agreed upon amount.

- The Northwestern CLBE will also reserve and pay for hotel accommodations for attending authors and discussants for the nights of Wednesday, June 10, 2020 and Thursday, June 11, 2020. Authors are expected to attend and participate in the full duration of the conference.

**REVIEW PROCEDURE AND TIMELINE**

Conference Papers Submission Deadline: Papers for the conference should be submitted to the following email address: clbe@law.northwestern.edu by Monday, February 10, 2020.
Notification Deadline: Authors will be notified of decisions on or around March 10, 2020.

Papers prepared for the conference will be permanently hosted on the Northwestern CLBE website – http://www.law.northwestern.edu/research-faculty/clbe/.

Independent of the conference, the Journal of Economics & Management Strategy (JEMS) continues to publish high-quality work in the area of innovation economics. JEMS welcomes both empirical and theoretical contributions. Submissions to JEMS are subject to the standard peer-review process. To submit a manuscript to JEMS, visit ScholarOne at http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/jems. To learn more, visit the journal website: http://editjems.org. If you have any questions about JEMS, contact the journal editorial assistant by e-mail: Elterman, Karen kelterman@hbs.edu