

Twelfth Annual Conference on Antitrust Economics and Competition Policy

Call for Papers

Friday, September 20, 2019—Saturday, September 21, 2019

Submission Deadline: **May 1, 2019**

The Center on Law, Regulation, and Economic Growth at Northwestern Pritzker School of Law is issuing a call for original research papers to be presented at the Twelfth Annual Conference on *Antitrust Economics and Competition Policy* at Northwestern Pritzker School of Law. This year's conference will run from approximately 9:00 AM on Friday, September 20, 2019 to 12:30 PM on Saturday, September 21, 2019.

The conference is co-sponsored by the Center for the Study of Industrial Organization at Northwestern University.

The goal of this conference is to provide a forum where leading scholars from across the world can gather together with Northwestern's own distinguished faculty to present and discuss high quality research relevant to antitrust economics and competition policy. Both theoretical and empirical submissions are welcome. Papers in industrial organization or applied microeconomic theory that address issues relevant to antitrust policy are welcome even if they do not directly focus on particular antitrust policy issues or institutions. While papers on all topics are welcome, we especially encourage submissions related to the following topic areas:

- innovation and competition policy
- data markets, internet search markets and competition policy
- privacy, data security, and competition policy
- vertical contracting, vertical integration and competition policy
- the effectiveness of behavioral remedies
- buyer power and monopsony power
- EU platform regulation

We hope to involve leading thinkers from the government, non-profit, and private sector, as well as leading academics from economics departments, business schools, law schools and public policy schools. While most of the conference will be devoted to presentation and discussion of original academic research, we also expect to schedule a small number of panels on important current topics or policy issues.

If you have questions about the appropriateness of your topic for the conference, or suggestions for panel subjects, please contact Professor [William Rogerson](#), Professor of Economics and Center on Law, Regulation, and Economic Growth Research Director on Competition, Antitrust and Regulation at wrogerson@northwestern.edu.

We will make hotel reservations and pay for hotel lodging for Thursday, September 19 and Friday, September 20 for paper presenters and will also reimburse paper presenters for additional travel expenses (flights, taxis) up to \$750.00.

The conference will also include a dinner reception and Keynote Dinner Address (speaker TBA) on Friday evening.

Papers prepared for the Twelfth Annual Conference on Antitrust Economics and Competition Policy will be permanently hosted on the Center on Law, Regulation, and Economic Growth website as part of our Working Papers Series: www.law.northwestern.edu/searlecenter.

Authors will be free to publish their work in other venues (with appropriate acknowledgement of the Center on Law, Regulation, and Economic Growth).

RESEARCH PROPOSALS: SUBMISSION, REVIEW PROCEDURE AND TIMELINE

Research Proposals should include an abstract (300 words maximum) and c.v.

Proposal Submission Deadline: Research Proposals should be submitted to searlecenter@law.northwestern.edu by **May 1, 2019**.

Notification Deadline: Research Proposals will be reviewed by a committee. Authors will be notified of the committee's decisions on or around **June 3, 2019**.

Discussion Draft Deadline: Authors should plan to submit a paper suitable for distribution to discussants and other conference participants no later than **September 4, 2019**.

Potential Discussants or panel members should send a message indicating their interest to searlecenter@law.northwestern.edu.