



NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Searle Center on Law, Regulation, and Economic Growth

## CALL FOR PAPERS

### “Antitrust Economics and Competition Policy”

Friday, September 26th — Saturday, September 27th, 2008

The Searle Center on Law, Regulation, and Economic Growth is issuing a call for original research papers to be presented at a Research Symposium on Antitrust Economics and Competition Policy at Northwestern University School of Law. The Symposium will run from 9:00 AM on Friday, September 26th to 12:30 PM on Saturday, September 27th. The Symposium is co-sponsored by the Center for the Study of Industrial Organization at Northwestern University.

The goal of this Research Symposium is to provide a forum where leading scholars from across the country 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. 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 paper for the symposium, or suggestions for panel subjects, please contact Professor William Rogerson, Research Director, Searle Center Research Project on Competition, Antitrust and Regulation ([wrogerson@northwestern.edu](mailto:wrogerson@northwestern.edu))

There will be a reception, dinner and program on Friday evening.

Presenters will receive an honorarium of \$1,000 to cover reasonable transportation expenses. The Searle Center will make hotel reservations and pay for rooms on Thursday and Friday.

Papers prepared for the Research Symposium on “Antitrust Economics and Competition Policy” will be permanently hosted on the Searle Center website – [www.law.northwestern.edu/searlecenter](http://www.law.northwestern.edu/searlecenter). Authors will be free to publish their work in other venues.

## SUBMISSION PROCEDURE AND TIMELINE

All submissions should include an abstract (300 words maximum). If a draft of the paper is currently available, please send it.

Submission Deadline: Submissions should be sent to [searlecenter@law.northwestern.edu](mailto:searlecenter@law.northwestern.edu) by April 15, 2008.

Notification Deadline: Submissions will be reviewed by a three-member committee. Authors will be notified of the committee's decisions by May 15, 2008.

Discussion Draft Deadline: Papers suitable for distribution to discussants and other conference participants must be received by September 1, 2008.

Revision Deadline: November 1, 2008. Upon revision in response to comments received at the symposium, papers will be permanently hosted on the Searle Center website.

Potential discussants or panel members should send a message indicating their interest to [searlecenter@law.northwestern.edu](mailto:searlecenter@law.northwestern.edu) by April 15, 2008.

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