

## Thirteenth Annual Northwestern Conference on Antitrust Economics and Competition Policy

*Virtual Webinar Conference via WebEx*

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Call for Papers

Friday, September 17, 2021

Submission Deadline: **May 17, 2021**

The Northwestern Center on Law, Business, and Economics at Northwestern Pritzker School of Law and the Center for the Study of Industrial Organization at Northwestern are issuing a call for original research papers to be presented at the Thirteenth Annual Conference on *Antitrust Economics and Competition Policy* to be held virtually via WebEx. This year's conference will be a one-day event and will run from approximately 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM (Central) on Friday, September 17, 2021. Due to the short length of the webinar, a limited number of papers will be selected for this year's event.

The Fourteenth Annual Conference on Antitrust Economics and Competition Policy will be held in-person on Friday, September 16 — Saturday, September 17, 2022 at Northwestern Pritzker School of Law in Chicago, IL.

We are delighted to announce that Compass Lexecon has agreed to provide the funding to support both this year's and next year's conference. As always, conference organizers will be solely responsible for choosing papers and speakers.

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:

- digital platforms and competition policy
- privacy, data security, and competition policy
- innovation 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 panel and/or keynote address.

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 CLBE Research Director on Competition, Antitrust and Regulation at [wrogerson@northwestern.edu](mailto:wrogerson@northwestern.edu).

Papers prepared for the Thirteenth Annual Conference on Antitrust Economics and Competition Policy will be permanently hosted on the Center on Law, Business, and Economics website as part of our Working Papers Series: <http://www.law.northwestern.edu/research-faculty/clbe/workingpapers/>.

Authors will be free to publish their work in other venues.

### **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 [clbe@law.northwestern.edu](mailto:clbe@law.northwestern.edu) by close of business on **May 17, 2021**.

**Notification Deadline:** Research Proposals will be reviewed by a committee. Authors will be notified of the committee's decisions on or around **June 1, 2021**.