

Economics of Mega-Firms and Changes in Market Power

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Conference Code of Conduct

Thursday, September 12

6:30 pm Dinner
Bambara Restaurant
25 Edwin H. Land Boulevard (across the street from the Royal Sonesta Hotel)
Cambridge, MA

Friday, September 13

8:00 am Continental Breakfast

8:30 am Ufuk Akcigit, University of Chicago and NBER
Sina T. Ates, Federal Reserve Board
What Happened to U.S. Business Dynamism?
Discussant: Thomas Philippon, New York University and NBER

9:20 am Xiang Ding, Harvard University
Teresa C. Fort, Dartmouth College and NBER
Stephen J. Redding, Princeton University and NBER
Peter K. Schott, Yale University and NBER
Structural Change Within Versus Across Firms: Evidence from the United States
Discussant: Enghin Atalay, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia

10:10 am Break

10:25 am José A. Azar, IESE Business School
Steven T. Berry, Yale University and NBER
Ioana Marinescu, University of Pennsylvania and NBER
Estimating Labor Market Power
Discussant: Richard Blundell, University College London and IFS

11:15 am Gregor Jarosch, Princeton University and NBER
Jan Sebastian Nimczik, ESMT Berlin
Isaac Sorkin, Stanford University and NBER
Granular Search, Market Structure, and Wages
Discussant: David Arnold, Princeton University

12:05 pm Lunch

1:00 pm Brent Neiman, University of Chicago and NBER
Joseph S. Vavra, University of Chicago and NBER
The Rise of Niche Consumption
Discussant: Mingzhi Xu, Peking University

1:50 pm Chang-Tai Hsieh, University of Chicago and NBER
Esteban Rossi-Hansberg, Princeton University and NBER
The Industrial Revolution in Services
Discussant: Robert E. Hall, Stanford University and NBER

- 2:40 pm Break
- 2:55 pm Luis Aguiar, University of Zurich
 Joel Waldfogel, University of Minnesota and NBER
Platforms, Power, and Promotion: Evidence from Spotify Playlists
 Discussant: Marc Rysman, Boston University
- 3:45 pm Matthew Backus, Columbia University and NBER
 Christopher Conlon, New York University
 Michael Sinkinson, Yale University and NBER
Common Ownership in America: 1980--2017
 Discussant: Michaël Rubens, KU Leuven

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