

CALL FOR PAPERS - Information Technology and Economics

We are organizing a one-day workshop on IT and Economics during the NBER Summer Institute as part of the Productivity Program on Technological Progress and Productivity Measurement. The workshop will be held at the Royal Sonesta Hotel in Cambridge, MA on July 17.

The scope of the meeting is intentionally broad. Appropriate topics include:

- " Online advertising
- " Online auctions
- " Pricing and bundling of information goods
- " Using online or mobile data to understand social networks
- " IT and organizational change
- " Complementarities among types of IT and various management practices
- " Effects of IT on inequality
- " IT and market structure
- " Search costs, competition and product variety
- " Two sided markets
- " Mapping information and knowledge flows
- " Privacy and individual data
- " Economics of security on the internet
- " IT in health care
- " The economic implications of cloud and mobile computing

Papers with empirical applications are especially suitable for this workshop, although the paper may be a contribution to the pure theory as well.

If you have a paper that you believe would be appropriate for this workshop, please send a copy to each of us (.pdf preferred) by April 3, 2009. If the paper is incomplete you may send an extended abstract or rough draft now, with the finished paper due by June 19.

Since this announcement is sent out to a large group, we cannot invite everyone who receives it. For NBER members, travel reimbursement will be in accordance with the standard Summer Institute rules. We regret that we cannot reimburse travel or lodging expenses for non-NBER presenters. However, the NBER's Conference Department can assist in making hotel reservations.

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