Decentralization 2022

2022 NBER/CEME

Decentralization Conference

The Scope of Mechanism Design:
Bespoke Mechanisms to General Frameworks

April 22-23, 2022

Bocconi University, Columbia University, University of Michigan, Stanford University/CASBS
The 2022 Decentralization Conference will take place April 22-23, 2022 in four separate locations. Each location will hold a live (in-person) four hour mini-conference. Attendees will watch the talks from other location via zoom. Zoom links will be sent one week prior to the conference.

In Person Registration Now Closed
Use Zoom Links to Attend

The full schedule of talks with times and locations is given below. The four in-person session's locations and dates are as follows:

Friday, April 22 AM: Bocconi University, Milan
Friday, April 22 PM: Columbia University, New York
Saturday, April 23 AM: University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Saturday, April 23 PM: Stanford University, Palo Alto

All talks will also be shown over Zoom. The four locations will also Zoom viewing rooms during the other sessions. Participants can participate in three ways:

(1) attending one of the four in-person sessions
(2) joining participants at one of the locations to participate in other sessions over Zoom
(3) participate over zoom.

As the conference will be held in three time zones, each session's time is written in two ways. The bold text gives the local time for the location where the presentations will be in person. Beneath that time, there exists a vector of three times, one for each time zone (Bocconi, NYC-Ann Arbor, Palo Alto). Times in red mean that there will not be a viewing room at a remote location. For example, session A in Bocconi is described on the schedule as follows:

1 • 13:30-15:15: Session A
(13:30-15:15, 7:30-9:15, 4:30-6:15)
This session meets in-person in Bocconi at 1pm and the other locations will not have rooms open to watch via Zoom. You can only attend remotely from your hotel or home. In contrast, Session B in Bocconi will be live in-person in Bocconi at 4pm, and have in-person remote/Zoom sessions at Columbia and Ann Arbor at 10am EDT, and at Stanford 7am PDT. The difference between these two sessions are that for Session B, people can watch the conference broadcast from Bocconi along with people in Ann Arbor and Palo Alto and enjoy coffee and interactions with colleagues. It is written as follows:

**16:00-18:30: Session B**
(16:00-18:30, 10:00-12:30, 7:00-9:30)

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**Bocconi**
Friday, April 22: AM
Organizers: Tangren Feng and Marco Ottaviani

**Zoom Link:** [https://unibocconi-it.zoom.us/j/99772400885?pwd=dmdQY3RZYTQ5TDBTa0N2L3F5TXI8QT09](https://unibocconi-it.zoom.us/j/99772400885?pwd=dmdQY3RZYTQ5TDBTa0N2L3F5TXI8QT09)
Meeting ID: 997 7240 0885
Passcode: 491814

**Friday April 22**
(Bold Local Bocconi Time)
(Times in Red Denote Remote Participation)

**14:30-16:00: Session A**
(14:30-16:00, 8:30-10:00, 5:30-7:00)
M. Ottaviani  Grantmaking
M. Mandler  Open-ended matching with and without markets

**16:00-16:15: Break**
(16:00-16:15, 10:00-10:15, 7:00-7:15)

**16:15-18:30: Session B**
(16:15-18:30, 10:15-12:30, 7:15-9:30)
T. Feng  The Limits of Ex Post Implementation without Transfers
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18:30-19:30: Dinner, Lunch, Coffee Break

New York-Columbia
Friday, April 22: PM
Organizer: Bo Cowgill
Zoom: https://gsb-columbia-edu.zoom.us/j/95086944910
Meeting ID: 950 8694 4910

Friday April 22 New York – Columbia (II)
(Bold Local New York Time)
(Times in Red Denote Remote Participation)

1:30-3:00: Session C
(19:30-20:30, 1:30-3:00pm, 10:30-12:00)
R. Shorrer To Infinity and Beyond: Scaling Economic Theories via Logical Compactness
G. Virag Who wants to be an auctioneer? (REMOTE VIA ZOOM)

3:00-3:30pm: Break
(20:30-21:00, 3:00-3:30pm 12:00-12:30)

3:30-5:00: Session D
(21:30-23:00, 3:30-5:00, 12:30-2:00)
B. Cowgill Matchmaking Principals: Theory and Evidence from Internal Labor Markets
R. Serrano Signaling, Screening, and Core Stability
Ann Arbor
Saturday, April 23: AM
Organizers: David Miller and Tilman Borgers

Zoom Link: https://umich.zoom.us/j/97877695173

Saturday, April 23: Ross School of Business
(Bold Local Ann Arbor Time)
(Times in Red Denote Remote Participation)

9:00-10:30: Session E
(15:00-16:30, 9:00-10:30, 6:00-7:30)
H. Guo        Learning by Consuming: Sequential Screening with Endogenous Information Provision
I. Cho          Learning Under-Specified Models

10:30-11:00 Break
(16:30-17:00, 10:30-11:00, 7:30-8:00)

11:00-12:30: Session F
(17:00-18:30, 11:00-12:30, 8:00-9:30)
C. Zheng    Reduced-Form Auctions of Multiple Objects
R. Lamba    Pricing with Algorithms

12:30-1:30 Break
(18:30-19:30, 12:30-1:30, 9:30-10:30)

Palo Alto
Saturday, April 23: PM
Organizer: Scott Page
Saturday, April 24: Stanford GSB
(Bold Local Palo Alto Time)
(Times in Red Denote Remote Participation)

10:30-12:00: Session G
(19:30-2100; 1:30-3:00, 10:30-12:00)
Nikhil Garg       Equity in Resident Crowdsourcing: Measuring Under-reporting without Ground Truth Data
Jon Atwell       Information Choice and the Wisdom of the Crowd

12:00-12:30: Break
(2100-2130, 3:00-3:30, 12:00-12:30)

12:30-2:00: Session H
(2130-2300, 3:30-5:00, 12:30-2:00)
Frank Yang       Costly Multidimensional Screening
Nabhil Al-Najjar   Bargaining over Treatment Choice under Disagreement