

# **Eighth Annual Searle Center Conference on Antitrust Economics and Competition Policy**

Friday, September 18, 2015—Saturday, September 19, 2015

## **Northwestern University School of Law**

Wieboldt Hall #147  
340 E. Superior St. Chicago, IL

### **Friday September 18**

- 7:45-8:15                    **Registration and Continental Breakfast** (WB 150)
- 8:15-8:30                    **Welcome and Introduction** (WB 147)  
**Matthew L. Spitzer**, Director, Searle Center on Law, Regulation, and Economic Growth and  
Howard and Elizabeth Chapman Professor, Northwestern University School of Law  
**William P. Rogerson**, Department of Economics, Northwestern University
- 8:30-9:30                    *Merging Innovation into Antitrust Agency Enforcement of the Clayton Act* (with Hillary Greene)  
**Richard J. Gilbert**, Department of Economics, University of California, Berkeley  
Discussant: **Fiona Scott Morton**, Yale School of Management
- 9:30-10:00                   **Break** (WB 150)
- 10:00-11:00                   *Patent Privateering, Litigation, and R&D Incentives* (with Emil Temnyalov)  
**Jorge Lemus**, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Department of Economics  
Discussant: **Timothy Simcoe**, Boston University Questrom School of Business
- 11:00-11:30                   **Break** (WB 150)
- 11:30-12:30                   *Mergers Facilitate Tacit Collusion: Empirical Evidence from the U.S. Brewing Industry* (with  
Matthew Weinberg)  
**Nathan Miller**, Georgetown University, McDonough School of Business  
Discussant: **Liran Einav**, Department of Economics, Stanford University
- 12:30-2:00                   **Lunch** (WB 540)  
**Keynote Panel on “Updates from the Anti-Trust Agencies”**  
**Nancy Rose**, Deputy Assistant Attorney General for Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of  
Justice  
**Francine Lafontaine**, Director, Bureau of Economics, Federal Trade Commission
- 2:00-3:00                    *On the Relevance of Market Power*  
**Louis Kaplow**, Harvard Law School  
Discussant: **Timothy F. Bresnahan**, Department of Economics, Stanford University
- 3:00- 3:30                    **Break** (WB 150)

- 3:30-4:30 *Anti-Competitive Effects of Common Ownership* (with Jose Azar and Isabel Tecu)  
**Martin Schmalz**, University of Michigan, Ross School of Business  
 Discussant: **Jonathan B. Berk**, Stanford Graduate School of Business
- 4:30- 5:00 **Break** (WB 150)
- 5:00-6:30 **Panel on Recent Proposed Transactions in the Telecom Industry**
- Session #1: The Proposed Comcast-TWC Transaction**  
 Moderator: **Aviv Nevo**, Department of Economics, Northwestern University
- Dennis W. Carlton**, The University of Chicago Booth School of Business  
**Mark Israel**, Compass Lexecon  
**William Rogerson**, Department of Economics, Northwestern University  
**Carl Shapiro**, Walter A. Haas School of Business and Department of Economics,  
 University of California, Berkeley
- Session #2: The AT&T-DirecTV Transaction**  
 Moderator: **William Rogerson**, Department of Economics, Northwestern University
- John Asker**, University of California, Los Angeles  
**Michael Katz**, Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley  
**Aviv Nevo**, Department of Economics, Northwestern University
- 6:30-7:30 **Reception** (WB 440)
- 7:30- 9:00 **Dinner** (WB 540)  
**Keynote Address: *Lessons from Mobile Mergers***  
**Massimo Motta**, Chief Competition Economist, European Commission, DG Competition
- Saturday September 19**
- 8:00-8:30 **Continental Breakfast** (WB 150)
- 8:30-9:30 *Insulated Platform Competition*  
**E. Glen Weyl**, Microsoft Research, New England  
 Discussant: **Joseph Farrell**, Department of Economics, University of California, Berkeley
- 9:30-10:00 **Break** (WB 150)
- 10:00-11:00 *Strategic Incentives When Supplying to Rivals* (with Serge X. Moresi)  
**Marius Schwartz**, Department of Economics, Georgetown University  
 Discussant: **Justin P. Johnson**, Samuel Curtis Johnson Graduate School of Management,  
 Cornell University
- 11:00-11:30 **Break** (WB 150)
- 11:30-12:30 *Multiproduct-Firm Oligopoly: An Aggregative Games Approach*  
**Volker Nocke**, University of Mannheim, Department of Economics  
 Discussant: **John Asker**, University of California, Los Angeles
- 12:30 **Adjourn** (Box Lunches Available) (WB 150)