

MaCCI-EPoS Workshop on Mergers and Antitrust

Organizers: Volker Nocke and Nicolas Schutz (Mannheim)

November 29 – December 1 2018, Hardtwald Hotel, Bad Homburg

Thursday November 29

Informal discussions on mergers and antitrust

Friday November 30

9:30–10:30 Massimo Motta (Pompeu Fabra): “The Effect of Horizontal Mergers, when Firms Compete in Prices and Investments” (with Emanuele Tarantino)

Discussant: Yossi Spiegel (Tel Aviv)

10:30–11:30 Kosuke Uetake (Yale): “Mergers, Innovation, and Entry-Exit Dynamics: Consolidation of the Hard Disk Drive Industry, 1996-2016” (with Mitsuru Igami)

Discussant: Philipp Schmidt-Dengler (Vienna)

11:30–12:00 Coffee break

12:00–13:00 Nicolas Schutz (Mannheim): “An Aggregative Games Approach to Merger Analysis in Multiproduct-Firm Oligopoly” (with Volker Nocke)

Discussant: Andrew Rhodes (Toulouse)

13:00–15:00 Lunch

15:00–16:00 Leslie Marx (Duke): “Coordinated Effects” (with Simon Loertscher)

Discussant: Christoph Wolf (Bocconi)

16:00–17:00 Chris Conlon (NYU): “Common Ownership and Competition in the Ready-to-Eat Cereal Industry ” (with Matt Backus and Mike Sinkinson)

Discussant: Laura Grigolon (Mannheim)

17:00–17:30 Coffee break

17:30–18:30 Power session:

Andrew Rhodes (Toulouse): “Merger Remedies in Multimarket Oligopoly” (with Volker Nocke)

Leslie Marx (Duke): “Bargaining and the Incomplete Information Paradigm” (with Simon Loertscher)

19:00–22:00 Dinner

Saturday December 1

9:00–10:00 Patrick Rey (Toulouse): “A Theory of Conglomerate Mergers” (with Zhijun Chen)

Discussant: Volker Nocke (Mannheim)

10:00–11:00 Mitsuru Igami (Yale): “Measuring the Incentive to Collude: The Vitamin Cartels, 1990–1999” (with Takuo Sugaya)

Discussant: Pasquale Schiraldi (LSE)

11:00–11:30 Coffee break

11:30–12:30 Xavier Vives (IESE): “Oligopoly, Macroeconomic Performance, and Competition Policy” (with José Azar)

Discussant: Nicolas Schutz (Mannheim)

12:30–14:00 Lunch

14:00–15:00 Justin Johnson (Cornell): “Multiproduct Mergers and Quality Competition” (with Andrew Rhodes)

Discussant: Anton Sobolev (Mannheim)

15:00–16:00 Daniel Ershov (Toulouse): “Mergers in a Model with Complementarity” (with Scott Orr and Jean-William Laliberté)

Discussant: Bernhard Ganglmair (Mannheim)