



Northwest UK IO Workshop

June 23-24, 2025

Location: University of Liverpool, ULMS-SR1

Monday June 23, 2025

10:00 - 10:30 Registration and welcome

10:30 - 11:30 Keynote 1

Andrew Rhodes (Toulouse School of Economics) – “Digital Ecosystems and Data Regulation”

11:30 - 11:50 Coffee Break

11:50 - 13:10 Session 1

Ricardo Ribeiro (Católica Porto Business School) – “Estimating Oligopoly with Shareholder Voting Models”

Renaud Foucart (University of Lancaster) – “Endogenous Formation of Optimal Teams”

13:10 - 14:10 Lunch

14:10 - 15:30 Session 2

Balázs Muraközy (University of Liverpool) – “How Chinese Import Competition Shapes the Quantity and Types of Innovation by European Firms”

Luciana Nicollier (University of Nottingham) – “Strategic Inefficiency in Investor-State Arbitration”

15:30 - 15:50 Coffee Break

15:50 - 17:10 Session 3

Nicolas de Roos (University of Liverpool) – “Negotiating Price Coordination”

Rajssa Mechelli (Competition and Markets Authority) – “The state of UK Competition”

17:10 - 17:30 Break

17:30 - 18:30 Keynote 2

Howard Smith (Oxford University) – “The Rise of the Discounters and its Impact on Concentration, Market Power and Welfare”

19:30 Dinner – TBA (by invitation)

Tuesday, 24 June 2025

9:00 - 10:20 Session 4

Rachel Griffith (University of Manchester) – “The Effects of Sin Taxes and Advertising Restrictions in a Dynamic Equilibrium”

Dennis Rickert (Mines Paris - PSL University) – “Without Strong Retailers, Consumers Do Not Benefit from Higher Minimum Wages. Empirical Evidence from U.S. Grocery Retailing”

10:20 - 10:40 Coffee Break

10:40 - 12:00 Session 5

David Rietzke (University of Lancaster) – “Incentivizing variety in innovation contests with specialized suppliers”

Christopher Wilson (University of Loughborough) – “Understanding Cost Pass-Through when Prices are Dispersed”

12:00 - 13:00 Lunch

13:00 - 14:20 Session 6

Vasudha Wattal (University of Manchester) – “Too big to fail, too few to choose? Corporates, market concentration, and quality in England’s specialised care sector”

Alan Crawford (Competition and Markets Authority) – “Vodafone/3 merger analysis”

14:20 - 14:40 Coffee Break

14:40 - 16:00 Session 6

Chun Yi (University of Hunan) – “Collusive Price Floors and Bounded Rationality: Evidence from China’s Movie Industry”

Samir Doshi (Competition and Markets Authority) – “Estimating geographical retail markets from card spending data”

16:00 Close