

Competition and Markets Authority and Durham University Business School
Workshop: Innovation, Business Dynamism and Market Power

6/7 November 2023 (Room MHL452, Durham University Business School)

Day 1 – 6 November 2023

12:00-13:00 Arrival/registration, lunch

13:00-13:20 **Opening remarks**

Kieran Fernandes (*Associate Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Durham University*)

Mike Walker (*Chief Economic Advisor, Competition and Markets Authority*)

Spyros Galanis (*Director DREAM Research Centre, Durham University Business School*)

13:20-13:50 **CMA Microeconomics Unit**

Tom Farmer (*Competition and Markets Authority*), “CMA Economic Research Strategy, and work on Patterns of UK business innovation”

13:50-14:50 **Session 1: What drives innovation?** (chair: Ana Rincon Aznar, CMA)

John Moffat (*Durham University Business School*), “The effect of R&D co-location on innovation activities in Great Britain” (*with Richard Harris*)

Seula Kim (*Princeton University*), “Competition, Firm Innovation, and Growth under Imperfect Technology Spillovers” (*with Karam Jo*)

14:50-15:10 Coffee break

15:10-16:40 **Session 2: The decline in business dynamism – causes and consequences** (chair: Anastasiia Parakhoniak, DUBS)

Javier Miranda (*Halle Institute for Economic Research/ Friedrich-Schiller University*), “Declining Business Dynamism in Europe: The Role of Shocks, Market Power, and Technology” (*with Filippo Biondi; Sergio Infrerra and Matthias Mertens*)

Russell Black (*Office for National Statistics*), “Market Power, Business Dynamism and Structural Change in the UK: Seven Facts from Firm-Level Survey Data, 1998-2019” (*with Joel Kariel and Jakob Schneebacher*)

Lorenza Rossi (*Lancaster University*), “Labor Share Decline and Productivity Slowdown: A Micro-Macro Analysis of the Spain Economy” (*with Francesca Crucitti*)

16:40-17:00 Break

17:00-18:00 **Keynote 1: Jan De Loecker** (*Professor of Economics and Research Professor (KU Leuven), and Research Fellow, Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR)*), “Estimating markups combining production and demand data”

Day 2 – 7 November 2023

- 8:30-9:15 Arrival, coffee
- 9:15-10:15 **Session 3: Aggregate market power and competition policy** (chair: Spyros Galanis, DUBS)
Maryam Vaziri (International Monetary Fund), “Antitrust Law and Business Dynamism”
Arina Nikandrova (City, University of London), “The Effect of Mergers on Innovations” (with *Kaustav Das* and *Tatiana Mayskaya*)
- 10:15-10:40 Coffee break
- 10:40-11:40 **Session 4: Firms, trade and aggregate market power** (chair: Joel Kariel, CMA)
Alejandro Graziano (University of Nottingham), “International Trade, Industrial Concentration and Welfare”
Elodie Andrieu (King’s College London), “Multi-establishment Firm Structure, Subsidies and Spillovers” (with *John Morrow*)
- 11:40-12:20 **Panel: Policies for a dynamic economy**
Mike Walker (Competition and Markets Authority)
Grant Fitzner (Office for National Statistics)
Scott Richards (Department for Business and Trade)
Chair: *Rebecca Riley* (King’s College London)
- 12:20-13:20 Lunch
- 13:20-14:20 **Session 5: Market power and workers** (chair: Daniel Li, DUBS)
Jian Tong (University of Southampton), “Market Power and Income Distribution: Lessons from Hybrid Industrial-Labour Economics” (with *Carmine Ornaghi*)
Aseem Patel (University of Essex), “Automation, Market Power and Welfare”
- 14:20-14:40 Coffee break
- 14:40-15:40 **Session 6: Firm entry and growth** (chair: Rajssa Mechelli, CMA)
Tatiana Damjanovic (Durham University Business School), “Monetary Policy and Welfare with Heterogeneous Firms and Endogenous Entry” (with *Dudley Cooke*)
Hans Van Vlokhoven (Tilburg University), “The Rise in Profits and Fall in Firm Entry: A Tale of the Life Cycle of Profits”
- 15:40-16:00 Break
- 16:00-17:00 **Keynote 2: Sara Caligaris** (Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation, Organisation of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)), “Measuring competition through different proxies: some OECD evidence”.