

## Bergen Competition Policy Conference 2025

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#### Thursday June 5

08:40 – 09:00: Registration

09:00 – 09:05: Opening address

09:05 – 10:05: *Keynote I: Herbert Hovenkamp*

10:05 – 10:20 Refreshments

10:20 – 11:40: Contributed I

11:40 – 12:30: Lunch

12:30 – 13:50: *Invited session I: Article 102*

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15:50 - 17:10: *Invited session II: Private enforcement in digital markets*

#### Friday June 6

08:45 – 10:05: *Invited Session III: Merger Control and Labour Markets*

10:05 – 10:20: Refreshments

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12:30 – 13:30: *Keynote II: Fiona Scott Morton*

13.30 – 13.45: Refreshments

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14:45 – 15:00: Refreshments

15:00 – 16:00: Contributed V

16:00: End of the conference

# Thursday June 5

08:40 – 09:00: Registration

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09:00 – 09:05: Opening address

**Lars Sjørgard, BECCLE and Department of Economics at NHH**

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09:05 – 10:05:

## **Keynote I (Auditorium 2)**

**Herbert Hovenkamp (University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School and the Wharton School)**

**“Consumer Welfare as a Policy Directive”**

**Chair: Ingrid Margrethe Halvorsen Barlund, BECCLE and Faculty of Law at University of Bergen**

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10:05 – 10:20: Refreshments

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10:20 – 11:40

## **Contributed Session I**

<b>Auditorium 2</b> <b>Competition law I</b> Chair: David Fåhraeus	<b>Auditorium 3</b> <b>Competition economics I</b> Chair: Eeva Mauring
<b>Simon de Ridder (Humboldt University)</b> “Varieties of an effects-based approach to abuse of dominance: Understanding the two concepts of presumptions in the EU Commission's Draft Guidelines on Exclusionary Abuses” Discussant: David Fåhraeus	<b>Tommaso Valletti (BECCLE and Imperial College London)</b> “The conflict-of-interest discount in the marketplace for ideas” Discussant: Eeva Mauring
<b>Pankhudi Khandelwal (European University Institute)</b> “Follow the money: A case for mandating vertical interoperability for online advertising services and social media” Discussant: Simon de Ridder	<b>Eeva Mauring (University of Bergen)</b> “How (Much) Can Platforms Learn from Consumer Choices?” Discussant: Tommaso Valletti
<b>David Fåhraeus (Uppsala University)</b> “A tectonic shift in the refusal to deal doctrine: Android Auto and Bronner’s future in digital platform markets” Discussant: Pankhudi Khandelwal	

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11:40 – 12:30: Lunch

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12:30 – 13:50

**Invited Session I:**  
**Draft guidelines for Article 102 (Auditorium 2)**

**Chair: Thomas Vinje, Clifford Chance and BECCLE**

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**Anne-Christine Witt**  
**(ECHEC Business School)**

**Massimiliano Kadar**  
**(European Commission)**

**Jorge Padilla**  
**(Compass Lexecon)**

13:50 – 14:10: Refreshments

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14:10 – 15:30

**Contributed sessions II**

<b>Auditorium 2</b> <b>Competition economics II</b> Chair: Alexander Rasch	<b>Auditorium 3</b> <b>Competition economics III</b> Chair: Valentina Reig
<b>Nils-Henrik M. von der Fehr (University of Oslo)</b> “Price comparison, Transparency and Competition” Discussant: John Lilletvedt	<b>Paula Navarro (Norwegian School of Economics)</b> “Capacity Disruptions and Pricing: Evidence from US Airlines” Discussant: C��line Bonnet
<b>John Lilletvedt (University of Bergen)</b> “Do Capacity Constrained Bots Collude?” Discussant: Alexander Rasch	<b>C��line Bonnet (Toulouse School of Economics)</b> “Demand and supply determinants of heterogeneity in cost-price transmission: Evidence from the French alcohol industries” Discussant: Valentina Reig
<b>Alexander Rasch (University of Dusseldorf)</b> “Mandating Privacy Spillovers: Interoperability in Data Markets” Discussant: Nils-Henrik M. von der Fehr	<b>Valentina Reig (Toulouse School of Economics )</b> “Gender-Based Pricing Ban in Health Insurance: Evidence from Chile” Discussant: Paula Navarro

15:30 – 15:50: Refreshments

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15:50 – 17:10

**Invited Session II:**  
**Private enforcement in Digital markets (Auditorium 2)**  
**Chair: Ronny Gjendemsj  , BECCLE and Faculty of Law at University of Bergen**

**Gjermund Mathisen**  
**(Kvale Law Firm)**

**Magnus Strand**  
**(Uppsala University)**

**Helene Andersson**  
**(Delphi Law Firm)**

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19:00: Dinner for speakers and invited guests at Bjerck restaurant, Torgalmenningen 1A

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# Friday June 6

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08:45 – 10:05

## **Invited Session III: Merger Control and Labour Markets (Auditorium 2)** Chair: Tommaso Valletti, BECCLE and Imperial College London

**Lars Sørgaard**  
(Norwegian School of Economics  
and BECCLE)

**Axel Gottfries**  
(University of Edinburgh)

**Miriam Larson-Koester**  
(FTC)

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10:05 – 10:20: Refreshments

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10:20 – 11:40

## **Contributed session III**

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<b>Auditorium 2</b> <b>Competition economics IV</b> Chair: Malin Arve	<b>Auditorium 3</b> <b>Competition economics V</b> Chair: Chloè Le Coq
<b>Stephane Caprice (Toulouse School of Economics)</b> “Welfare Implication of Supplier Encroachment with Consumer Shopping Costs” Discussant: Tong Wang	<b>Luca Bennati (Toulouse School of Economics)</b> “Vertical Integration and E-commerce Competition: Evidence from Amazon Marketplace” Discussant: Chloè Le Coq
<b>Tong Wang (University of Edinburgh)</b> “Enforceability vs Flexibility: When Do Smart Contracts Outperform Traditional Contracts” Discussant: Ole Kristian Dyskeland	<b>Eugenio J. Miravete (University of Texas Austin)</b> “On Anticompetitive Third-Degree Price Discrimination ” Discussant: Luca Bennati
<b>Ole Kristian Dyskeland (Norwegian School of Economics)</b> “Channel Coordination on Exclusive vs. Non-Exclusive Content under Endogenous Consumer Homing” Discussant: Stephane Caprice	<b>Chloè Le Coq (Paris Pantheon-Assas University (CRED) and Stockholm School of Economics (SITE))</b> “Regulation, Compliance, and Proximity: Evidence from Nuclear Safety” Discussant: Eugenio J. Miravete

11:40 – 12:30: Lunch

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12:30 – 13:30

## **Keynote II (Auditorium 2)** **Fiona Scott Morton (Yale School of Management)** ““Competition Enforcement and Ex Ante Regulation: Complements or Substitutes?”” Chair: Bjørn Olav Johansen, BECCLE and Department of Economics at University of Bergen

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13:30-13:45: Refreshments

13:45 – 14:45

### Contributed sessions IV

<b>Auditorium 2</b> <b>Competition law II</b> Chair: Minh Dang	<b>Auditorium 3</b> <b>Competition economics VI</b> Chair: Àngel Lòpez
<b>Kai-Fang (Rebecca) Lin (University of Chicago Law School)</b> “Illusory Convergence: Disconnect in Global Merger Control?” Discussant: Minh Dang	<b>Tore Nilssen (University of Oslo)</b> “Killing competition policy: Firms playing games with competition authorities” Discussant: Àngel Lòpez
<b>Minh Dang (University of East Anglia)</b> “Rethinking Efficiency Considerations in Merger Control: Comparison of US, EU, UK, Canada, and South Africa Approaches” Discussant: Kai-Fang (Rebecca) Lin	<b>Àngel Lòpez (Institute for Economic Analysis (CSIC) and Barcelona School of Economics )</b> “Horizontal Mergers in Industries with Congestion Effects and Capacity-Enhancing Investments” Discussant: Tore Nilssen

14:45 – 15:00: Refreshments

15:00 – 16:00

### Contributed Session V

<b>Auditorium 2</b> <b>Competition law III</b> Chair: Anna Nowakowska	<b>Auditorium 3</b> <b>Competition economics VII</b> Chair: Armando Pires
<b>Anna Nowakowska (Kazimierz Wielki University in Bydgoszcz)</b> “Investigative Powers of National Competition Authorities and the Protection of Undertakings’ Fundamental Rights: Poland’s Experience with the Implementation of Directive 2019/1” Discussant: Kristoffer Grøndahl	<b>Anton Guilio Manganelli (EADA Business School Barcelona)</b> “Crisis Cartels and Optimal Antitrust Enforcement” Discussant: Armando Pires
<b>Kristoffer Grøndahl (University of Oslo)</b> “Bargaining, commitment decisions, and merger remedies in EU competition law” Discussant: Anna Nowakowska	<b>Armando Pires (Norwegian School of Economics Centre for Applied Research)</b> “The Cournot-Awareness Model: Platform Recommendations Within Product Pages” Discussant: Anton Guilio Manganelli

16:00: End of conference