
CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Thursday 10 July 1997

- 8.30 am **Registration**
- 9.15 am **Introduction and welcome**
Robert Kerr (Industry Commission)
- 9.30 am **Plenary session 1**
Paul Milgrom (Stanford University)
Ian Hayne (Australian Communications Authority)
- 11.00 am **Morning tea**
- 11.30 am **Panel session 1: Telecommunications following deregulation**
Henry Ergas (Auckland University)
Graeme Woodbridge (Australian Competition and Consumer Commission)
Philippa Dee (Industry Commission)
- 1.00 pm **Lunch**
- 2.00 pm **Plenary session 2**
Frank Wolak (Stanford University)
- 3.00 pm **Afternoon tea**
- 3.15 pm **Contributed papers sessions**
John Logan (Australian National University)
Contracting out under incomplete information: auctioning incentive contracts without transfers
Stephen King (Australian National University)
Regulation by negotiation: a strategic analysis of Australia's essential facility access regulation

Partha Gangopadhyay (University of Western Sydney)
Should access price be regulated in a vertically integrated industry?

Stephen Nelson (University of Adelaide)
An analysis of Australia's 500 MHz auction

Rob Fraser (University of Western Australia)
Modifying the RPI-X regulatory system to include profit sharing

Harry Bloch (Curtin University)
Pricing in Australian manufacturing: an analysis of panel data

Robert Smith (Energy Australia)
Best guessing — industry forecasting behaviour: evidence from the Australian housing industry

Charles Hyde (University of Melbourne)
An empirical analysis of the causes and consequences of mergers in the Australian petroleum industry

RJ Brooker and GH King (Victorian Treasury)
Open all hours: the economic consequences of deregulated shopping hours

Mita Bhattacharya (Monash University)
The structure-conduct-performance relationships and simultaneity: evidence from Australian manufacturing

7.00 pm

Conference dinner

Raymond Priestly Room, Student Union Building,
University of Melbourne

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Contributed papers sessions

Billy Jack (Australian National University)
Competition in the health insurance market

Kathy Kang (New South Wales Treasury)
The forces shaping Australia's electricity market

	<i>Terry A'Hearn (Environment Protection Authority)</i> Environment protection and harnessing market forces in Victoria
	<i>Dick Damania (Flinders University)</i> Financial structure and the effectiveness of pollution control in an oligopolistic industry
9.30 am	Panel session 2: The national electricity market <i>Donald Anderson (Queensland Electricity Reform Unit)</i> <i>John Salerian (Industry Commission)</i> <i>Joshua Gans (Melbourne Business School)</i>
10.45 am	Morning tea
11.15 am	Plenary session 3 <i>Graciela Chichilnisky (Columbia University)</i>
12.15 am	Lunch
1.30 pm	Panel session 3: Environmental regulation <i>Don Gunasekera (Industry Commission)</i> <i>Robin Stewardson (BHP Pty Ltd)</i> <i>Tim Fisher (Australian Conservation Foundation)</i> Contributed papers session <i>Natalia Nunes and Stephen Farago (Industry Commission)</i> Economic impact of international airline alliances <i>Tim Hazeldine (Auckland University)</i> The costs of making competitive markets in New Zealand <i>Ann Hodgkinson (University of Wollongong)</i> Globalisation and networking — are they something new?
2.45 pm	Afternoon tea
3.00 pm	Contributed papers <i>Henry Ergas (Auckland University)</i> Are the ACCC's merger guidelines too strict? A critical review of the Industry Commission's Information Paper on market regulation

Stephen Ziss (University of Sydney)

Divisionalisation, franchising and strategic managerial incentives in oligopoly under uncertainty

David Prentice (La Trobe University)

Unpopular privatisation as a vote winner

Vivek Chaudhri (University of Melbourne)

Competition in the newspaper industry

Robin Stonecash (Bond University)

Competition policy and community services

Peter Forsyth (Monash University)

Determining the sale price of privatised natural monopolies

Ilias Mastoris (Industry Commission)

A quantitative analysis of anti-dumping in Australia

Gary Madden (Curtin University)

Market structure and productivity in Asia-Pacific telecommunications

Peter Dixon (Monash University)

A general equilibrium explanation of the rapid growth in Australia's trade

Alexis Hardin and Tony Warren (Industry Commission)

International telecommunications reform in Australia

5.15 pm

Conference close