



# From Micro to Macro: Market Power, Firms' Heterogeneity and Investment

*jointly organized by  
CompNet, EIB, ENRI, IMF and IWH*

## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

**18 - 19 March 2019**

EIB Headquarters West Entrance (WKI)  
100, Boulevard Konrad Adenauer  
L-2950 Luxembourg

**Monday, 18 March - West Entrance, CA Room**

10:30 **Registration and Coffee**

11:00 **Welcome Address**  
**Filippo di Mauro**, Chairman CompNet; **Debora Revoltella**, EIB and ENRI; **Romain Duval**, IMF

### **Session 1: Financial Constraints and Investment**

11:20 **Markups and Productivity under Heterogeneous Financial Frictions**  
**Carlo Altomonte\***, Bocconi University, Baffi-Carefin Centre; **Domenico Favoino**, Erasmus School of Economics, Tinbergen Institute; **Tommaso Sonno**, University of Bologna, Baffi-Carefin Centre, CEP

11:40 **Born in Hard Times: Startups and Intangible Capital during the Financial Crisis**  
**Guzman Gonzalez-Torres**, Bank of Italy; **Francesco Manaresi**, Bank of Italy; **Filippo Scocianti**, Bank of Italy

12:00 **Academic Panel and Q&A**  
**Şebnem Kalemli-Özcan**, University of Maryland, **Reinhilde Veugelers**, KU Leuven

13:00 **Welcome Address - Andrew McDowell**, Vice President, EIB

13:15 **Lunch – sandwich lunch served in the foyer CA**

### **Session 2: Cross – Country**

14:00 **Corporate Economic Profits in the Euro Area and the United States: Market Power or Competitive Advantage?**  
**Vicente Salas**, Universidad de Zaragoza; **Lucio San Juan\***, Banco de España; **Javier Vallés\***, Banco de España

14:20 **Global Declining Competition**  
**Federico J. Diez\***, IMF; **Jiayue Fan**, IMF; **Carolina Villegas-Sanchez**, ESADE Business School, Universidad Ramon Llull

14:40 **Academic panel and Q&A**  
**Thomas Philippon**, New York University  
**Gauti Eggertson**, Brown University

15:40 **Coffee Break**

16:10 **Key-note speech – Peter Praet**, ECB

17:00 **Policy Panel**  
**Chair:** Pedro De Lima, EIB  
**Debora Revoltella**, EIB, ENRI, CompNet; **Sergei Guriev**, EBRD; **Romain Duval**, IMF; **Filippo di Mauro**, CompNet; **Mary Veronica Tovsak-Pleterski**, European Commission

18:30 **Closing first day**

18:35 **Networking reception – foyer CA room**

19:30 **Dinner (upon invitation – bus leaves from main entrance at 19.15)**

Tuesday, 19 March – West Entrance, CA Room

8:30 Registration and Coffee

**Session 3: One – Country Evidence**

9:00 **Globalization and the Fall of Markups**  
Jakub Muck\*, Narodowy Bank Polski; Michal Gradzewicz, Narodowy Bank Polski

9:20 **Markup and Price Dynamics: Linking Micro to Macro**  
Jan De Loecker\*, KU Leuven; Catherine Fuss, NBB; Johannes Van Biesebroeck, KU Leuven

9:40 **Market Power in Input Markets: Theory and Evidence from French Manufacturing**  
Monica Morlacco, University of Southern California

10:00 **Academic Panel and Q&A**  
Chad Syverson, University of Chicago, Booth School of Business  
Ufuk Akcigit, University of Chicago, Booth School of Business

11:00 Coffee Break

**Session 4: Macro and Methodological Issues**

11:30 **Misallocation or Mismeasurement?**  
Cian Ruane, Stanford University; Mark Bills, University of Rochester and NBER; Pete Klenow, Stanford University and NBER

11:50 **Industry Concentration in Europe and North America**  
Giuseppe Berlingieri, OECD; Sara Calligaris, OECD; Chiara Criscuolo\*, OECD; Jonathan Timmis, OECD

12:10 **Academic Panel and Q&A**  
Eric Bartelsman, Tinbergen Institute  
Dan Andrews, Australian Treasury

13:10 **Keynote Address by Werner Hoyer, President, EIB**  
  
*Lunch – buffet served in the foyer bananier*

**Session 5: Product and Labor Market Power**

14:30 **Micro-Mechanisms Behind Declining Labor Shares: Market Power, Production Processes and Global Competition**  
Matthias Mertens, IWH and CompNet

14:50 **What is the Impact of Increased Business Competition?**  
Chiara Maggi\*, Northwestern University; Sonia Felix, Banco de Portugal, Nova SBE

15:10 **Academic Panel and Q&A**  
Jan De Loecker, KU Leuven  
Jan Svejnar, Columbia University

16:10 **Concluding Session: wrap-up**

### About CompNet

The Competitiveness Research Network (CompNet) has been active since 2012 to foster a debate on competitiveness issues among policy institutions and researchers, which is solidly based on empirical evidence. In addition to abundant academic and policy driven research, the Network is the producer of a top standard micro-founded dataset covering productivity indicators for some 20 European countries. The dataset, now at its 6<sup>th</sup> vintage, is available to researchers at request ([www.compnet.org](http://www.compnet.org)).

Since 2017, CompNet is an independently regulated network, funded by a number of major European institutions, including EIB, ECB, EU commission, EBRD, and top Academic Centers, such as the Tinbergen Institute, France Strategie as well as IWH in Halle (Germany), which hosts its secretariat. Some additional twenty members – including Central Banks and National Statistical Institutes - contribute to the Network providing and elaborating their proprietary firm level data, to generate the common dataset.

### About ENRI

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