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# Mannheim Centre for Competition and Innovation (MaCCI)

### 11 – 12 March 2021, Mannheim, Germany

The Mannheim Centre for Competition and Innovation (MaCCI), a joint initiative between ZEW Mannheim and the University of Mannheim, is pleased to announce its 2021 Annual Conference. The aim of the conference is to provide a platform for exchange and discussion on topics in competition- and innovation-related research between academic researchers and practitioners in public authorities, legal counsel, and economic consultancies. Information on previous editions of the conference is available at <a href="https://www.macci.eu">www.macci.eu</a>.

The conference will comprise plenary as well as parallel sessions. While the plenary sessions will consist of a policy-focused panel discussion and two keynote lectures, the parallel sessions will provide an excellent opportunity to learn more on ongoing research in all fields of competition law and economics. The parallel sessions will include papers on business strategy related to competition, the intersection between competition and innovation, and regulated industries. Theoretical, empirical, as well as case-oriented papers are welcome. In particular, we invite legal scholars to submit papers focusing on EU competition or comparative competition law.

Given the present extraordinary circumstances, it is currently impossible to predict the state the world will be in next year. According to current planning, the 2021 MaCCI Annual Conference will have a hybrid format, with the panel discussion and the keynote presentations taking place in the afternoon (GMT+2) on 11 March. The panel discussion will be held in front of a live audience and streamed on appropriate media at the same time; the keynote presentations, on the other hand, will only be accessible via live stream. All parallel sessions will take place on 12 March exclusively via Zoom. As travel restrictions and crowd limits are likely to remain in place in March 2021, invitations for in-person participation will be issued selectively by the MaCCI organising team.

#### **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

Michael Whinston (MIT) and Herbert Hovenkamp (University of Pennsylvania Law School)

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#### LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE

Jacopo Gambato, Nadine Hahn, Thomas Fetzer, Martin Peitz

#### **SUBMISSION OF PAPERS**

Full papers must be submitted. All proposals must include the following information: an abstract of up to 200 words, the author's full name and affiliation as well as contact details. Submissions of full sessions are also encouraged. Any such proposal must include a short motivational letter as well as the papers to be presented at the session itself. Typically, a session comprises three papers. The approval of all suggested presenters is required. All proposals must be written in English and shall be submitted to the organising committee via MacciAnnual2021@zew.de as a PDF file no later than 30 November 2020.

Authors of accepted papers will be notified no later than 6 January 2021. Presenters must register by 31 January 2021 and may be asked to discuss another paper. Young researchers are particularly encouraged to submit papers.

#### REGISTRATION FEE

Attending the MaCCI Annual 2021 conference virtually is free of charge. However, it requires advance registration: only registered participants will be able to access the presentations and discussions online.

Registration deadline is 31 January 2021.

#### FURTHER INFORMATION

The conference website at www.zew.de/macciannual2021 will provide up-to-date information.

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