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Mannheim Centre for Competition and Innovation (MaCCI)

Mannheim, 19 and 20 March 2026

The **Mannheim Centre for Competition and Innovation (MaCCI)**, a joint initiative between ZEW Mannheim and the University of Mannheim, is pleased to announce its 2026 Annual Conference. The aim of the conference is to provide academic researchers and practitioners in public authorities, legal counselling and economic consultancies with a platform for exchange and discussion on topics in competition- and innovation-related research. Information on previous editions of the conference is available at www.macci.eu.

The conference will comprise two keynote lectures and parallel sessions consisting of contributed and organised sessions. For the contributed sessions, submissions of theoretical, empirical, as well as case-oriented papers on **competition economics, competition law and related areas** (regulated industries, competition and innovation, ...) are welcome. In particular, we invite legal scholars to submit papers focusing on EU competition or comparative competition law. The 2026 MaCCI Annual Conference will be held in person, starting on 19 March at 9 a.m. and ending on 20 March at 3 p.m.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

- » **Cani Fernández Vicién** (President of the Spanish National Authority for Markets and Competition)
- » **Jean Tirole** (Toulouse School of Economics)

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SUBMISSION OF PAPERS AND FULL SESSIONS

All individual submissions must include the following information: an abstract of up to 200 words, the author's full name and affiliation, as well as contact details. Please submit only full papers but incomplete drafts are welcome. We encourage submissions of full sessions. Any such proposal must include a short session abstract and the papers (or extended abstracts thereof) to be presented in the session itself. Typically, a session comprises three papers and all presenters should have confirmed their willingness to participate.

All proposals must be written in English and shall be submitted to the organising committee via MacciAnnual2026@zew.de as a PDF file no later than **15 November 2025**. Participants interested in discussing a paper without presenting should send a message to the organising committee (MacciAnnual2026@zew.de).

Authors of accepted papers will be notified no later than **15 December 2025**. Presenters must register by **15 January 2026** and are expected to discuss a paper submitted by another author. Young researchers are particularly encouraged to submit papers.

REGISTRATION FEE

The non-refundable conference fee is €150 for participants from academia and the public sector and €300 for participants from the private sector. It covers coffee breaks, two lunches, and the conference dinner.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Please visit the conference website www.zew.de/MacciAnnual2026 for up-to-date information.

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