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ADVANCED WORKSHOP IN REGULATION AND COMPETITION

Network industries - telecommunications, electricity, gas, water, postal etc. - are currently undergoing major changes, the most significant being the entry of competitors. These conferences aim to be at the cutting edge of these developments by providing the opportunity to discuss the research of academics, company economists, and regulatory commission economists. Several of the papers presented at past conferences have been published in professional journals, including the Conference/Practitioners Issue of the Journal of Regulatory Economics.

OBJECTIVE
To promote a better understanding of competition, regulatory environment, challenges in network industries and the role of regulation.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?
Individuals interested in developing a better understanding of competition, forthcoming challenges, and regulatory developments in network industries and applying it in their company or regulatory commission.

APPROACH
The Workshop is organized annually as three one-day meetings combined with a two-day conference in the Eastern U.S. and a second two-day conference on the West Coast. The meeting format is designed to allow for both presentation of recent research and the open discussion of new ideas. The topics covered provide not only the latest research on competitive developments in network industries, but also instructions on subjects required for a better understanding of competition.

CALL FOR PAPERS - CRRI’S EASTERN & WESTERN CONFERENCES
Persons interested in submitting papers are invited to submit abstracts not exceeding 300 words for consideration for either of the two conferences. Please complete the abstract submission form along with your abstract and send via email to the following dedicated account: abstractsecwc@business.rutgers.edu. Include your name and title of the paper on the abstract and use MS Word format. All abstracts will receive an immediate automatic acknowledgement and a personal acknowledgement within a few days. If both of these have not been received with 48 hours please let us know immediately by calling (973) 353-5761 or via email at crri@business.rutgers.edu. If there is more than one author indicate whether co-author plans to attend. More than one abstract may be submitted but please note for each abstract which conference is preferred. The Workshop Organizing Committee is responsible for the selection of the program for the Eastern Conference. The Western Conference Organizing Committee will select the program for the Western Conference. So that we may distribute copies of the papers before the conferences, completed papers are due no later than April 13, 2016 for the Eastern Conference and May 25, 2016 for the Western Conference. All papers will be distributed on a restricted website. This requires that the papers be in the following electronic formats: MS Word and Adobe Acrobat PDF’s.

Acceptance of any abstract automatically registers the lead author for the Conference for which the paper is selected. The lead author will be considered a Speaker and is required to pay the reduced Speakers’ enrollment fee. The fee is $1,005 (government rate of $515 for regulatory commission staff) for the Eastern and $1,070 (govt. $570) for the Western Conference, provided payment is received by February 8, 2016 for the Western and February 22, 2016 for the Eastern. After this date the full conference fees of $1,070 (govt. $545) for the Eastern and $1,135 (govt. $610) for the Western will apply. A no cancellation policy is applicable to speakers of accepted papers, unless we are notified prior to the abstract submission deadline. All registration fees are exclusive of food and lodging which will be paid directly to the hotel by the participant, with the exception of the Western Conference fee, which includes dinner on the first evening of the Conference. In the case of full-time faculty of colleges and universities selected for the program, an honorarium plus full support for registration and lodging may be available.
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