

# Regulation and Competition in Network Industries



Electric



Gas



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Water



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## 41st ANNUAL EASTERN CONFERENCE

Rutgers University Inn and Conference Center

18 Ryders Lane, New Brunswick, NJ U.S.

May 31 - June 2, 2023

**Abstracts Due: January 11, 2023**

## 34th ANNUAL WESTERN CONFERENCE

Hyatt Regency Monterey

Monterey, California, U.S.

June 14 - 16, 2023

**Abstracts Due: January 18, 2023**

### Possible Subjects:

- Distribution
- Innovations in Pricing and Technology
- Market Structure
- Strategies under Competition and Deregulation
- Incentive Regulation
- Responsiveness to Competition
- Transmission Pricing and Regulation
- Universal Service
- Regulatory Reform
- Environmental Issues

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Network industries - telecommunications, electricity, gas, water, 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*.

Papers are sought in all areas relating to competition and regulation. A non-restrictive list of some topics of special interest follows: access pricing, deregulation, competition and new pricing strategies, antitrust and regulation, capital recovery, environmental issues, interface of federal and state regulation. The time available to present the paper will normally be 15 minutes plus discussants' and floor comments. While the paper may be technical, it should be presented in a non-technical manner developing the policy, business, or regulatory implications.

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](mailto: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 within 48 hours please let us know** immediately by calling (973)353-5761 or via e-mail at [crrri@business.rutgers.edu](mailto:crrri@business.rutgers.edu). If there is more than one author indicate whether co-author(s) 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 21, 2023**, for the Eastern Conference, and **May 19, 2023**, 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 \$1,000 (government rate of \$650 for regulatory commission staff and academics with no consulting income) for the Eastern and \$1,060 (govt. \$570) for the Western Conference, provided payment is received by **February 22, 2023** for the Western and **February 14, 2023** for the Eastern. After this date the full conference fees of \$1,065 (govt. \$690) for the Eastern and \$1,135 (govt. \$610) for the Western will apply. The academic discount for the Eastern Conference for both speakers and participants will be \$500 and \$400 for the Western Conference. 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, unless noted. The Western Conference fee includes dinner on the first evening of the Conference while the Eastern Conference fee will include all meals.

The Center will place the initial drafts of the two programs with the accepted papers by the end of January 2023 on the web at [www.business.rutgers.edu/CRRRI](http://www.business.rutgers.edu/CRRRI). This will contain the agendas for the Conferences as well as the abstracts of the papers being presented. Also available at the Advanced Workshop site will be information about the Conference sites and registration. Further information can be obtained from Victor Glass: [vglass@business.rutgers.edu](mailto:vglass@business.rutgers.edu) or [crrri@business.rutgers.edu](mailto:crrri@business.rutgers.edu).

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<sup>2</sup> Food will be covered by the registration fees for the Eastern Conference and only covered for the dinner on the opening night at the Western Conference. Lodging and all other food not mentioned will be paid directly to the hotel, for those not staying at the hotel that the conference is located at there will be charges for the meal fees they consume.