

29th Conference on Postal and Delivery **Economics**

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Draft Programme

1 September

15.00 - 15.15 Welcome

Pier Luigi Parcu | EUI

Victor Glass | Rutgers Business School

15.15 - 16.45 PLENARY SESSION 1

Chair: Pier Luigi Parcu | EUI

Discussant: Bruno Basalisco | Copenhagen Economics

TEN YEAR REVIEW

"Is Postal Service a Natural Monopoly?" A 30-year Retrospective on Panzar's Seminal Paper **Victor Glass, Antonio Nicita, Stefano Gori**

The Temporal and Spatial Dynamics of the USPS' Service Performance Scores over the Period 2011-2020

Margaret M. Cigno, Kidd E. Curtis, Soiliou D. Namoro

The Economic Implications of "Density-Based Rate Authority"

Tim Brennan





2 September

12.00 - 13.00 PARALLEL SESSION 1A

Chair: Mateusz Chołodecki | University of Warsaw

Discussant: Michael Scanlon | K&L Gate

COMPETITION AND POSTAL SERVICES

Assessing Efficiencies and Benefits of "Sustainability Agreements" In The Postal Sector Mindaugas Cerpickis, Jasper Lutz, Henrik B. Okholm, Anna Möller Boivie

The First Tests of the SGEI Framework in the Postal Sector: Legal and Economic Takeaways from the Judgements iln the Česká Pošta and Post Danmark Cases

Alessandra Fratini, Marc Chovino

12.00 - 13.00 PARALLEL SESSION 1B

Chair: Philip Groves | Ofcom

Discussant: Antonin Arlandis | Le Groupe La Poste

MODELS OF DEMAND

Demand Elasticities for Publishing Mail Traffic in the UK: Intensive and Extensive Margins **Frédérique Fève, Thierry Magnac, Jonathan Pope, Soterios Soteri**

Diversion Ratios in Postal Retail Networks

Matthias Hafner, Urs Trinkner

13.00 - 14.00 Break

14.00 - 15.00 PARALLEL SESSION 2A

Chair: Claire Borsenberger | Le Groupe La Poste

Discussant: Larry Buc | SLS Consulting

PRICING AND COSTS ALLOCATION

Costs Allocation and Cooperative Game Theory

Léa Munich

Terminal Dues and the UPU's Third Extraordinary Congress

James Campbell

14.00 - 15.00 PARALLEL SESSION 2B

Chair: **Alessandra Fratini** | FratiniVergano

Discussant: Tim Brennan | UMBC

E-COMMERCE AND DELIVERY

E-Commerce, Parcel Delivery, and Environmental Policy Claire Borsenberger, Helmuth Cremer, Denis Joram, Jean-Marie Lozachmeur, Estelle Malavolti

The Rise of E-Commerce Platforms in The Parcel Delivery Markets

Pier Luigi Parcu, Niccolò Innocenti, Chiara Carrozza, Anna Pisarkiewicz

15.00 - 15.15 Break

15.15 - 16.45 PARALLEL SESSION 3A

Chair: **Brian Palmer** | Amazon

Discussant: Victor Glass | Rutgers Business School

THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON THE POSTAL MARKET

The Effects of the Covid-19 Crisis on Postal Markets

Antonin Arlandis, Catherine Cazals, Eric Gautier, Marine Lefort, Simon Michel

The Response to Extensions of Vote-by-Mail and Early In-person Voting in the 2020 U.S. General Election

Margaret M. Cigno, Ruth Y. Goldway, Edward S. Pearsall

The Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on The Postal Market. Challenges and Opportunities for Regulatory Framework

Mateusz Chołodecki

15.15 - 16.45 PARALLEL SESSION 3B

Chair: **John Hearn** | Cerp (and Comreg) Discussant: **Larry Buc** | SLS Consulting

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Addicted to Speed but at What Cost? Using a Smart City Approach to Address Last-Mile Logistics Challenges in Dense Urban Environments

Virgil Ian Stanford, Adam C. Houck, Brendan T. Sullivan, Alix H. Welch

Thinking Outside the Cardboard Box: How the U.S. Postal Service Could Reduce Waste, Expand Its Market Share and Generate New Revenue by Introducing Reusable Containers

Katalin Clendenin

Sustainability in the Postal and Delivery Sector - Challenges and Possible Solutions

Signe Rølmer, Anna Möller Boivie, Bruno Basalisco, Henrik B. Okholm, Mindaugas Cerpickis, Signe Bech

3 September

11.00 - 13.00 PLENARY SESSION 2

Chair: **Derek Osborn** | WHATNEXT4U Discussant: **Anna Pisarkiewicz** | EUI

COMPARATIVE REGULATION

Review of the EU Regulatory Framework for Postal Services - What Can Be Learnt From the Evolution of the EU Telecommunications Framework?

Annegret Groebel

Access Regimes in the European Postal Markets

Francesco Russo, M. Ghezzi, Stefano Gori, Simona Romito

Regulation. Quo Vadis? Revisited

John Hearn

13.00 - 14.00 Break

14.00 - 15.30 PARALLEL SESSION 4A

Chair: Bruno Basalisco | CE

Discussant: Soterios Soteri | Royal Mail

POSTAL USERS NEEDS

Digital Exclusion and the Role of Posts Have to Play to Fight against It

Claire Borsenberger, Hélène Delahaye, Muriel Barnéoud

Assessing User Needs in Post: Using a Conjoint Analysis to Evaluate the Value of Different Elements of a Universal Service

Lucy Eyre

Universal Service vs. Targeted Measures towards Vulnerable People: How to Address Postal Users' Needs?

Marine Lefort, Claire Borsenberger

14.00 - 15.30 PARALLEL SESSION 4B

Chair: **Mindaugas Cerpickis** | CE Discussant: **James King** | Ofcom

LAST MILE DEVELOPMENTS

Out-of-home Delivery in Europe 2021 – PUDO and Parcel Lockers

Mirek Gral, Marek Rozycki, Jose Anson

Parcel Locker Stations: the Future of E-Commerce Delivery?

Antonia Niederprüm, Willem van Lienden

The Relevance of Parcel Lockers in Sector Policies

Ian Streule

15.30 - 15.45 Break

15.45 - 17.45 PLENARY SESSION 3

Chair: Pier Luigi Parcu | EUI

Discussant: **Ted Pearsall** | U.S. Postal Regulatory Commission

LONG TERM CONSEQUENCES OF COVID 19

Short and Longer-Term Impacts of the Covid-19 Pandemic on Postal Consumer Demands, Universal Service Providers and the Wider Postal Sector

Philip Groves, Alex Mapletoft, Gianpiero Roscelli

Covid-19 and Swiss Post: Volume Developments and the Economic Value of Postal Service in the Pandemic and beyond

Felix Gottschalk, Alexandra Lehmann

A Global Survey of Covid-19 Postal Regulatory Responses, To Appraise Short and Long-Term Impacts

Susan Alexander, Bruno Basalisco, Siva Somasundram, Stephanie Tizik