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# Harvard - Oxford Conference on Common Ownership, Common Directors, Governance, and Competition

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Date: 15 October 2024

Location: Harvard Law School

[Registration](#) deadline: 30 September 2024

## Programme

**8:30 – Registration**

**9:00 – Opening remarks** (Martin Schmalz, Oxford SBS)

**9:15 – 10:45 Young Scholars 1: Strategic Investment and Active Governance of Competitors**

Chair: [Paul Gompers](#) (Harvard Business School)

*15 min presentation; 7 min discussion; 5 min Q&A*

Activist Portfolios

Presenter: [Fiona Kasperk](#) (Oxford)

Discussant: [Nicole Boyson](#) (Northeastern)

[Strategic Investment in Competitors: Theory and Evidence from Technology Startups](#)

Presenter: [Mario Leccese](#) (Boston University)

Discussant: [Tong Liu](#) (MIT)

[Interlocking directorates, competition, and innovation](#)

Presenter: [Roma Poberejsky](#) (Cornerstone)

Discussant: [Florian Ederer](#) (Boston University)

**10:45 - 11:00 Coffee Break**

**11:00 – 11:45 NBIM Grant Session: Experimental Advances**

Chair: Anna Tzanaki

[Diversification vs. Monopolization: A Lab Experiment](#)

Presenter: Jonas Frey (University of Gothenburg)

Discussant: Pedro Dal Bó (Brown)

**11:45 – 12:00 Coffee break**

**12:00 - 12:45 Structural Advances**

Chair: Mireia Giné

[Common Ownership, Markups, and Corporate Governance](#)

Presenter: Kenneth Khoo, National University of Singapore

Discussant: Alexandro Ruiz Pérez (Compass Lexecon)

**12:45-13:00 Lunch served**

**13:00-13:30 Fireside Chat with Rohit Chopra**, Director of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and Former Commissioner of the Federal Trade Commission

**13:30-14:00 Break**

**14:00-15:00 Young Scholars Session 2: Coordination and Collusion**

Chair: [Mireia](#) Giné (IESE)

*15 min presentation; 7 min discussion; 5 min Q&A*

[The Proxy Advice Industry and Common Owners' Coordination](#)

Presenter: Tove Forsbacka (NHH)

Discussant: Tao Li (Florida)

[Collusion through common leadership](#)

Presenter: [Elena Prager](#) (Rochester)

Discussant: Juan Ortner (Boston University)

**Coffee Break: 15.00-15:15**

**15:15-17:00 Policy Panel: what kind of evidence are policy makers and enforcers looking for?**

Moderator: Einer Elhauge (Harvard Law School)

- Shaoul Sussman, Associate Director for Litigation, U.S. Federal Trade Commission
- Olivier Guersant, Director General, DG Comp, European Commission
- Florence Thépot, University of Strasbourg
- Thomas Reyntjens, Court of Justice of the European Union
- David Lawrence, Policy Director, Antitrust Division, U.S. Department of Justice

**17:00-17:15 Closing remarks** (Martin Schmalz)

**17:30-18.30 Reception**

Local organization:

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