3rd Health Economics Conference

Toulouse, June 18 & 19, 2025

CONFERENCE VENUE

Toulouse School of Economics (TSE) 1, Esplanade de l'Université 31080 Toulouse Cedex 06

Keynotes and roundtable: Auditorium Jean-Jacques Laffont (Auditorium 3)

Plenary Sessions: Auditorium 3 (35 min per paper + 5 min guestions) Parallel sessions A: Auditorium 3 (25 min per paper + 5 min questions) Parallel sessions B: Auditorium 4 (25 min per paper + 5 min questions)

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18th, 2025

9:15-10:00 - Registration, Coffee & Welcome

10:00-11:00 - Auditorium 3 - Chair: Pierre Dubois (TSE)

Keynote Speaker: Liran Einav (Stanford University)

"Health and Longevity in the US: Evidence and Implications" (with Amy Finkelstein)

11: 00-12:30 - Session 1A: Auditorium 3 Healthcare Funding and Pricing

Chair: **Léa Bignon** (TSE)

- David Ridley (Duke University), Chenxi Xu (Duke University) and Peng Sun (Duke University)
 "Optimal Push and Pull Funding for Global Health"
- Luca Maini (Harvard University), Emma B. Dean (The Dartmouth Institute) and Josh Feng (University of Utah) "Stocking Under the Influence: Spillovers from Commercial Drug Coverage to Medicare Utilization"
- Luis Sa (Nova School of Business & Economics), Pedro Pita Barros (Nova School of Business & Economics) and Giovanni Righetti (Nova School of Business & Economics) "Pricing Mechanisms for Multi-Indication Drugs"

11: 00-12:30 - Session 1B: Auditorium 4
Cost-Sharing, and Subsidies in Healthcare

Chair: **Santiago Ortiz** (TSE)

- Chiara Gardenghi (New York University)
 "Bundled Loyalty Discounts in Healthcare:
 Evidence from Physician-Administered Vaccines"
- Martin Salm (Tilburg University) and Tobias J.
 Klein (Tilburg University) "Is physician cost-sharing an alternative to patient cost-sharing?"
- Gosia Majewska (ESSEC Business School, Paris) and Krzysztof Zaremba (Instituto Tecnologico Autonomo de Mexico) "Universal Subsidies in Pharmaceutical Markets: Lessons from Poland's Drugs 75+ Policy"

12: 30-13:30 - Lunch



13:30-15:30 - Plenary Session 1: Auditorium 3 Innovation, Entry, and Price Regulation in Healthcare

Chair: Angie Acquatella (TSE)

- **Rebekah Dix** (MIT) and Todd Lensman (MIT) "Combining Complements: Theory and Evidence from Cancer Treatment Innovation"
- Rena Conti (Boston University) and Rubaiyat Alam (Kansas State University) "Entry Delays and Fighting Brands: Evidence from Generics and Authorized Generics"
- Yunan Ji (Georgetown University) and Parker Rogers (Indiana University) "The Long-Run Impacts of Regulated Price Cuts: Evidence from Medicare"

15:30-16:00 - Coffee Break

16:00-17:30 - Session 3A: Auditorium 3

Management and Costs in Healthcare

Chair: Charu Gupta (UCLA)

- Tuomas Markkula (Aalto University) "Cutting the Queue to the Dentist: Waiting Time, Public-Private Interaction and Consumer Surplus"
- Carol Propper (Imperial College) "The Role of Top Managers in the Public Sector: Evidence from the English NHS"
- Robert Gary Bobo (Univ. Paris 1 and CREST) and Solen Croiset (Univ. Paris 1) "A Finite-Mixture Approach to Cost-Function Estimation: Economies of Density in Home-Care Services"

16:00-17:30 - Session 3B: Auditorium 4

Physician Behavior

Chair: Catarina Goulão (TSE)

- Franziska Valder (University of Copenhagen)
 "Gender disparities in heart disease: individual and provider behavior"
- Juan Pablo Atal (University of Pennsylvania), Tomas Larroucau (University of Arizona), Pablo Munoz (Universidad de Chile) and Cristobal Otero (Columbia Business School) "Physicians" Occupational Licensing and the Quantity-Quality Trade-off"
- Lionel Wilner (CREST, Paris), Philippe Choné (CREST, Paris) and Francis Kramarz (Collège de France) "Physician labor supply, financial incentives, and healthcare accessibility"

17:30-18:40 - Policy Roundtable: "Challenges for European Pharmaceutical Innovation Policy", Auditorium 3

- Pedro Pita Barros (Nova School of Business and Economics)
- Tina Taube (EFPIA)
- Jean Tirole (TSE)
- Adrian Towse (OHE UK)

19:45 - Cocktail dinner (by invitation) at Abattoirs Museum (with guided exhibition visit)



THURSDAY, JUNE 19th, 2025

9:20-10:30 - Policy Roundtable: "Policies against Antimicrobial Resistance", Auditorium 3

- Pierre Dubois (TSE)
- Aleksandra Opalska (Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission)
- John Rex (AMR.Solutions F2G Ltd)
- Henry Skinner (CEO, AMR Action Fund)

10:30-11:00 - Coffee Break

11:00-13:00 - Session 4A: Auditorium 3 Plan Design and Hospital Reforms

Chair: Valentina Reig (TSE)

- Natalia Serna (Stanford University), Giancarlo Buitrago (Universidad Nacional de Colombia), Paul Rodríguez-Lesmes (Universidad and Marcos Vera-Hernández Rosario) "Enrollee (University College London) Reassignment Rules After Health Plan Terminations"
- Benjamin Vatter (MIT), José Ignacio Cuesta (Stanford University) and Carlos Noton (PUC-Chile) "Vertical Integration and Plan Design in Healthcare Markets"
- Jasmin Moshfegh (Stanford University), Sarah Bögl (Stanford University), Petra Persson (Stanford University) and Maria Polyakova (Stanford University) "The Economics of Infertility: Evidence from Reproductive Medicine"
- Omer Dagan (Ben-Gurion University), Shirlee Lichtman-Sadot (Ben-Gurion University), Ity Shurtz (Ben-Gurion University), Yehezkel Waisman (Tel Aviv University) and Dan Zeltzer (Berglas School of Economics, Tel Aviv University) "Strategic Effort and Organizational Performance: Evidence from a Hospital Reform"

11:00-13:00 - Session 4B: Auditorium 4
Price Controls and Regulation in Pharma

Chair: Giulia Tani (TSE)

- Harsh Gupta (Stanford University) and Shengmao Cao (Northwestern University) "Price Controls with Imperfect Competition and Choice Frictions: Evidence from Indian Pharmaceuticals"
- Jiekai Zhang (Hanken School of Economics, Helsinki), Mikko Vanhala (University of Helsinki) and Markku Siikanen (VATT Research Institute) "Optimal Retail Pharmaceutical Pricing Policy"
- Debi Prasad Mohapatra (University of Massachusetts, Amherst) and Pierre Dubois (TSE) "Regulating Trade Margins and Consumer Welfare: Evidence from Cardiac Products in India"
- Otto Toivanen (Aalto University), Antto Jokelainen (Aalto University), Jaakko Markkanen (ETLA), Samuli Leppälä (FCCA), Markku Siikanen (VATT) and Matti Sipiläinen (FCCA) "Free Entry and Social Inefficiency in Regulated Pharmacy Markets"

13:00-14:00- Lunch



14:00-15:00 - Auditorium 3 - Chair: Jean Tirole (TSE)

Keynote Speaker: Nikhil Agarwal (MIT)
"Human-Al Collaboration in Healthcare"

15:00-15:30 - Coffee Break

15:30 -17: 00- Session 5A: Auditorium 3 Physicians' Incentives and Decisions

Chair: **Philippe De Donder** (TSE)

- Isabel Stockton (Institute for Fiscal Studies, London) and Elaine Kelly (Institute for Fiscal Studies, London) "A senior doctor like me: Gender match and occupational choice"
- Andre Veiga (Imperial College), Filippo Paternollo (Columbia University) and Pietro Tebaldi (Columbia University) "Designing Incentives for Multitasking Agents: Evidence from Payments to Physicians in England"
- Paul Gertler (University of California at Berkeley),
 Alexandra Steiny Wellsjo (UC San Diego), Jeanine
 Condo (University of Rwanda), Ada T. Kwan
 (University of California) and James Humuza
 (University of Rwanda) "How Telemedicine
 Changes Medical Decision Making"

15:30-17:00 - Session 5B: Auditorium 4
Generics, Biosimilars, Vaccine Skepticism

Chair: **Xin Zhang** (TSE)

- Catherine Ishitani (University of Pennsylvania) "In Defense of the Middleman: Quality Failures in the Generic Pharmaceutical Market"
- Matilde Giaccherini (University of Rome Tor Vergata and CESifo), Joanna Kopinska (University of Rome La Sapienza) and Gabriele Rovigatti (Bank of Italy and CEPR) "Vax Populi: The Social Costs of Online Vaccine Skepticism"
- Manuel Hermosilla (University of Illinois at Chicago), Joseph Levy (Johns Hopkins University) and Kelly E. Anderson (University of Colorado) "Biosimilar Turf Wars"

17:00-19:00 – Plenary Session 1: Auditorium 3

Bargaining and Competition

Chair: **Thierry Magnac** (TSE)

- Amanda Starc (Northwestern University), Aslihan Asil (Yale Law School), Paulo Ramos (University of Chicago) and Thomas G. Wollmann (University of Chicago) "Painful Bargaining Evidence from Anesthesia Rollups"
- Riley League (University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign), Renuka Diwan (Boston University), Paul Eliason (University of Utah), Jetson Leder-Luis (Boston University), Ryan C. McDevitt (Duke University) and James W. Roberts (Duke University) "Competition and Fraud in Health Care"
- Ashley Swanson (University of Wisconsin), Panle Jia Barwick (University of Wisconsin) and Tianli Xia (University of Rochester) "A Double Dose of Reform: Insurance and Centralized Negotiation in Drug Markets"

