# 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 questions) 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 18<sup>th</sup>, 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)



9:30-10:30 - Auditorium 3 - Chair: Jean Tirole (TSE)

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

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 del Vera-Hernández Rosario) and Marcos "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



14:00-15:10 - Policy Roundtable: "Policies against Antimicrobial Resistance", Auditorium 3

- Pierre Dubois (TSE)
- Henry Skinner (CEO, AMR Action Fund)
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15:10-15:40 – Coffee Break

#### 15:40 -17: 10- 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"*

#### 15:40-17:10 - 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"

#### 17:10-19:10 – 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"

