

IO Workshop in honour of Massimo Motta

Date: Friday, 16 October 2026

Time: 11:00 – 17:30

Venue: 404, FBE Building, 111 Barry Street, Carlton

Program

11:00 – 12:15 **Keynote: Massimo Motta** – Pompeu Fabra University
Platform tying and its effects

12:15 – 12:30 Coffee Break

12:30 – 13:00 **PhD Students I**
Charon Yang – University of Melbourne
Apps Matter: Search Dynamics and Platform Design

Tony Cheng – University of Melbourne, formerly Monash University
Data Access, Competition, and Regulation in Digital Advertising

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 Chengsi Wang – Monash University
Vertical interoperability: Is innovation delayed innovation denied?

Claudio Mezzetti – University of Queensland
Data Breach

Alex Nichifor – University of Melbourne
Paying to Boost Content

15:30 – 15:45 Coffee Break

15:45 – 16:15 **PhD Students II**
Lindsay Robinson – University of Melbourne, formerly Monash University
Autonomous Algorithmic Collusion: Efficient Learning with Q-Function Approximation

Kerem Ozenc – Monash University
Making platforms more alike: winners and losers

16:15 – 16:30 Coffee Break

16:30 – 17:30 Simon Loertscher – University of Melbourne
All-receive procurement auctions

David Byrne – University of Melbourne
Dynamic Demand in Retail Gasoline Markets