



Firm and Industry Dynamics Workshop 2026

UNSW Sydney, 27-28 May 2026

Program

Day 1: 27th May (Wednesday)	
09:00	Registration: Tea and Coffee
09:30	Acknowledgement of Country
09:35	Opening: Richard Holden (UNSW Vice-Chancellor's Professor and Chief Societal Economist)
09:45	Keynote I: Chad Syverson (University of Chicago Booth School of Business) "The Micro- and Macroeconomic Impacts of a Place-Based Industrial Policy"
11:00	Morning Tea Break
Session 1: Heterogeneous Firms and Policy	
11:30	Environmental Regulation, Heterogeneous Firms, and Industry Performance. Shengyu Li (UNSW Sydney)
12:10	Bang for the Buck: Aggregate Effects of Firm-Level R&D Incentives. Petr Sedlacek (UNSW Sydney)
12:50	Lunch
Session 2: Trade and Tariff	
13:50	Trade, Oligopsony Power, and Wage Inequality. Joonkyo Hong (National Taiwan University)
14:30	Firm-Level Origins of Tariff Pass-Through: Importer Heterogeneity and Welfare Decomposition. Xiaomei Sui (The University of Hong Kong)
15:10	Afternoon Tea Break
Session 3: Markups and Firm Dynamics	
15:40	Markups and Productivity in the Australian Retail Sector. Kevin Fox (UNSW Sydney)
16:20	Competition, Markups, and Inflation: Evidence from Australian Firm-level Data. Jonathan Hambur (Reserve Bank of Australia)
17:00	Gen Alpha: Australian Businesses over the Lifecycle and across Generations. Gianni La Cava (e61 Institute)
17:40	End of Day 1
18:30	Workshop Dinner: Sugarcane Restaurant, Coogee Beach (1/56 Carr Street, Coogee, NSW 2034)



Day 2: 28th May (Thursday)	
09:00	Registration: Tea and Coffee
09:15	Keynote II: David Byrne (The University of Melbourne) “Negotiating Coordination: A Study in Retail Gasoline”
10:30	Morning Tea Break
Session 4: Competition and Firm Scope	
11:00	Competitive Collaboration: Output Subcontracts among Competitors. Hongsong Zhang (The University of Hong Kong)
11:40	Firms in Product Space: Adoption, Growth, and Competition. Vladimir Tyazhelnikov (The University of Sydney)
12:20	Goods, Services and Bundling in Firms. Elvira Sojli (UNSW Sydney)
13:00	Lunch
Session 5: Digital Infrastructure and Market Transition	
14:00	Dual Network Effects in the EV Transition: Rise of Charging, Decline of Gas Stations. Jasmine Hao (The University of Hong Kong)
14:40	How Digital Infrastructure Shapes Local Firms’ Markups: Evidence from China’s 4G Rollout. Ran Jing (University of International Business and Economics)
15:20	Close of Workshop: Kevin Fox (UNSW Sydney)
15:30	End of Day 2: Afternoon Tea



Venue information

Finding the venue

UNSW Business School Dean's Lounge
Level 6, UNSW Business School Building (E12)
Gate 2, High St
UNSW Sydney Kensington campus
Sydney

Sessions will take place in the [UNSW Business School Dean's Lounge](#). The room is located on Level 6 of the UNSW Business School Building (E12) and is accessible via the lifts in the West Lobby.

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- Botany Street Carpark (H25) – ground floor and top level, entry via Gate 11
- Barker Street Carpark (N18) – level 1C and top level, entry via Gate 14

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- *Pay-by-plate* meter (located near lifts), or
- The [CellOPark app](#) (scan the QR code displayed on signage)

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