

Penn Program on Regulation



Book Symposium

Networks in Telecommunications: Economics and Law

Monday, October 24, 2011

4:30-6:00 pm, Faculty Lounge, 144 Silverman Hall

Speakers:

[Herbert Hovenkamp](#), Ben and Dorothy Willie Professor of Law and History, University of Iowa

[Howard Shelanski](#), Professor of Law, Georgetown University

[Hon. Stephen F. Williams](#), United States Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit

Response: [Christopher S. Yoo](#), John H. Chestnut Professor of Law; Professor of Communication; Professor of Computer & Information Science; Director, Center for Technology, Innovation & Competition; co-author (with Daniel Spulber) of *Networks in Telecommunications: Economics and Law*.

Moderator: Professor [Cary Coglianese](#), Edward B. Shils Professor of Law and Professor of Political Science; Director, Penn Program on Regulation

The recently published book, *Networks in Telecommunications: Economics and Law*, co-authored by University of Pennsylvania Law School's Christopher Yoo, will be celebrated in a special symposium featuring commentaries by three of the nation's leading jurists of telecommunications law. This new book reorients its readers to fundamental issues of regulatory policy by offering an integrated framework for understanding the economics and law of networks. Its analysis goes beyond the "network externalities" approach that has heretofore focused primarily on the size of networks, highlighting in addition the effects of network architecture and the tradeoffs inherent in network design. The symposium will begin with reflections on the book by Professor Howard Hovenkamp of the University of Iowa, Professor Howard Shelanski of Georgetown University, and Judge Stephen Williams of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, and will be followed by a response by Professor Yoo and open discussion with the audience.

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