

## TPUG Transportation & Public Utilities Group

Newsletter – May 2022

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- Attend TPUG Sessions at 2022 WEAI summer meetings
- Finishing a PhD in 2022? TPUG has a dissertation award
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### ASSA 2023 in New Orleans



Things are looking good for a return to an in-person ASSA in New Orleans on January 6-8, 2023. TPUG sponsors two transportation and two public utilities sessions, and a social event featuring our annual business meeting and networking. The deadline for abstracts is fast approaching. Abstracts are due **May 15** and sessions will be set up early June. Submit through an online form at:

<https://sites.macalester.edu/tpug/annual-assa-meetings/>

Presenting at the ASSA is a benefit of TPUG membership (which is a nice way of saying that presenters must be, or become, TPUG members).

### TPUG at WEAI 2022



TPUG is organizing four sessions at the WEAI meeting in Portland, Oregon on July 29 – July 3, 2022. Check out the program and registration information at:

<https://weai.org/conferences/view/12/97th-Annual-Conference>

Early bird discounted registration ends **May 15**.

### Dissertation Award

Are you submitting your PhD thesis in calendar year 2022, or supervising a thesis on transportation or public utilities? TPUG sponsors an annual PhD dissertation award. There is a cash prize, and the winner will be honored at our annual reception at the ASSA conference in New Orleans. Graduates or their advisors should submit a copy of the thesis as an e-mail attachment to Ian Savage at:

[ipsavage@northwestern.edu](mailto:ipsavage@northwestern.edu) by **September 30**.



Earlier this year we honored **Nicola Rosaia** as the 2021 winner. His thesis at Harvard University looked at several transportation problems including duopoly markets between two ride-hailing platforms and the matching of demand and supply in dry bulk ocean shipping. The last sentence only scratches the surface of the many interesting facets of his work. Read more at: <https://sites.google.com/view/nicolarosaia/>. Nicola joins Columbia University later this year after a post-doc year at Princeton University.

## Join TPUG

TPUG is an international forum for researchers and practitioners interested in the economics of and public policies towards the transportation and public utilities industries. Founded in 1946, it is one of the oldest constituents of the Allied Social Sciences Association.

Not a member of TPUG? Join to get access to presenting your work and networking at the WEAI and ASSA meetings. Have your student's work recognized with our dissertation awards. Join with a couple of clicks. Go to:

<https://sites.macalester.edu/tpug/membership/>

Our membership year runs August 1 to July 31. So existing annual members should be renewing in the coming months. If you are a new member and join after May 1, your first-year membership runs through July 31, 2023.

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