

EC '21 Social and Networking Events

For any questions about the social events, contact EC '21 Social Chair Kira Goldner (goldner@bu.edu).

Board Games and Whiteboards

In the Lounge, there are three tables for each of One Night Werewolf, Codenames, Pictionary, and crosswords, as well as two tables with collaborative whiteboards. Think of these as the tables at conferences outside the sessions where you can sit with friends and colleague to play games or chat about research ideas.

EC Puzzle Hunt

All attendees are invited to join in for our custom EC Puzzle Hunt! In teams of approximately five, groups will work together on puzzles by [Vivien Ripoll](#) (of [Solving Fun](#)).

Speed Networking

All attendees are invited to a speed networking event. Meet a new member of the EC community every two minutes, learning a bit about each other using prompted questions.

Junior/Senior Tables

Students and postdocs are invited to share a small virtual table in Gather for an informal chat with a more senior member of the EC community.

Diversity Meeting

EC is hosting its Fourth Annual Diversity Meeting (previously the “Women’s Breakfast”) at EC 2021. This will be a casual event to network and strengthen community among EC’s diverse participants (and allies) at EC. All who identify as such or as an invited to attend.

Econ vs. CS Face-Off

EC may seem like this ideal interdisciplinary conference where Econ and CS intersect perfectly... but what happens when we stop playing nice and see, once and for all, who’s better? Come see our economist candidates face-off with our computer scientist candidates in this trivia game-show to settle this age-old question! Hosted by Alon Eden and Kira Goldner.

The Coauthor Wars

Tune in for this game show where pairs of close collaborators compete to see which pair knows each other the best. Hosted by Chara Podimata and Kira Goldner.

Hosted Conversations

All attendees are invited to join a virtual table in Gather for a conversation on topics ranging from teaching to the job market to social good and applications... and more!

Schedule of Events

All times are Eastern.

Board games and whiteboards are available in the Lounge on Gather at all times when there are no other scheduled events in the Lounge, including if you'd like to take a break from the technical program and decompress.

Monday, July 19

1-2:00pm	EC Puzzle Hunt	Gather Lounge	Main Program
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Tuesday, July 20

1-2:00am	EC Puzzle Hunt	Gather Lounge	International Replay
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8-8:30am	Speed Networking	Zoom from Gather Lounge	Main Program
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12-12:30pm	Junior/Senior Tables	Gather Lounge	Main Program
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4-4:30pm	Speed Networking	Zoom from Gather Lounge	Main Program
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Wednesday, July 21

12-12:30am	Junior/Senior Tables	Gather Lounge	International Replay
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4-4:30am	Speed Networking	Zoom from Gather Lounge	International Replay
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8-9:00am	Diversity Meeting	Gather Lounge	Main Program
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4-4:30pm	Econ vs. CS Face-Off	Gather Lounge	Main Program
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Thursday, July 22

12-1:00am	Diversity Meeting	Gather Lounge	International Replay
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4-4:30am	Junior/Senior Tables	Gather Lounge	International Replay
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8-8:30am	Junior/Senior Tables	Gather Lounge	Main Program
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12-12:30pm	The Coauthor Wars	Gather Lounge	Main Program
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4-4:30pm	Hosted Conversations	Gather Lounge	Main Program
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Friday, July 23

12-12:30am	Board Games	Gather Lounge	International Replay
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4-4:30am	Hosted Conversations	Gather Lounge	International Replay
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Some events maybe be modified or canceled due to insufficient participation within a time zone—stay tuned for updates.

Speed Networking Questions

Have these questions ready in front of you when you join the session:

1. What's a paper you read (early during your career, if you've had a long career) that had a big impact on you?
2. Have you seen any good talks so far, or is there a session you're excited about?
3. What's one topic you would love to learn more about?
4. If you could pick one conference to be co-located with EC, what would it be and why?
5. What made you choose a research path (so far, at least)?
6. What has been your favorite conference/workshop location, or where would you love to have a conference/workshop?
7. What's the best academic advice you've received?