

Sonnenschein Citation 2024

We are pleased to announce that the inaugural Sonnenschein Service Prize of Econometric Society in 2024 is awarded to Andreu Mas-Colell in recognition of outstanding service to the profession and the Econometric Society in the tradition of Hugo Sonnenschein. The selection was made by a committee chaired by the President and consisting of the chairs of the six Regional Standing Committees, with support from the Executive Vice-President.

As a graduate student at Minnesota, where they overlapped, Andreu inherited the spirit of Hugo in pursuing research and providing service to the profession. In addition to path-breaking research in economic theory, Andreu provided invaluable support to colleagues, students, and to the economic community at large. He played important roles in the Econometric Society, including as Editor of *Econometrica* in 1988-1992 and President of Econometric Society in 1993.

Andreu's books *Noncooperative Approaches to the Theory of Perfect Competition* (1982), *The Theory of General Economic Equilibrium: A Differentiable Approach* (1990), and *Microeconomic Theory* (with Jerry Green and Michael Whinston 1995) promoted economics widely.

Throughout his career, Andreu has been incredibly generous in encouraging young scholars and many refer to him as a "father" or "grandfather". Andreu has been instrumental in promoting economic research and education around the world, particularly in Catalunya after the end of the Franco regime. Through his guidance, the Barcelona School of Economics has become one of the leading institutions in the world. Andreu also played a key role in establishing the European Research Council as the most prestigious public body funding scientific research in Europe.