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CALL FOR PAPERS

Workshop on Energy and Ecological Transition

Universitat Rovira i Virgili

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SPECTRUM: Social Perception and Ecological Transition Under
a Multi-dimensional Socio-economic Analysis of the Spanish Regions
(Universitat Rovira i Virgili)

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The Research Project SPECTRUM is based on the social perception of the ecological transition, by making a comprehensive analysis of the interactions between the socio-economic and communicative factors and people's opinion of the ecological issues at the regional level. The research is designed to capture the socio-economic determinants and the communication strategies that drive the people's view of environment and its territorial specificities in Spain, to derive policy measures to successfully reach a green economy in the horizon 2050. It combines techniques of sociology, economy, communication and computing to favor citizen's empowerment and citizens' active participation in the Spanish ecological pathway to a green economy. The research takes an inter-disciplinary methodology that integrates regional surveys to identify people's perception, macroeconomic models of economic impact analysis, microeconomic models, communication tools (Content Discourse Analysis) and computing techniques to follow a gradual design of policy mechanisms able to facilitate the Spanish ecological transition.



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Workshop objectives

This workshop provides an opportunity to all those interested in the interaction between sustainability and social perception and, in general terms to address global challenges faced by our economies when designing energy transition strategies. In this sense we want to analyze environmental implications of economic activities, quantify its negative externalities and provide proposals to achieve more affordable energy transition scenarios.

Researchers are encouraged to submit both empirical and theoretical papers that are broadly consistent the following topics:

Environmental conflicts	Energy economics
Territorial strategies	Energy transition
Sustainability and firm dynamics	Climate change

Keynote Speaker



Richard S.J. Tol is a Professor at the Department of Economics, University of Sussex and the Professor of the Economics of Climate Change, Institute for Environmental Studies and Department of Spatial Economics, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, the Netherlands. He is a member of the Academia Europaea.

Submission of papers

Full papers should be submitted (in pdf format) to eco-sos@urv.cat May 31st 2024. Authors are allowed to submit only one paper. Information about acceptance will be send by June 17th. All paper presenters are expected to discuss another paper during the workshop. The assignment of discussants will be distributed to participants by July 17th.



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Location and Travelling

Located right in the centre of the Costa Daurada and at less than one hour from Barcelona, Reus is a medium-sized city well known for its shopping, modernist heritage and its close relationship to the architect Antoni Gaudí.



How to get to Reus from Reus Airport?

Reus Airport is located 3 km from the city centre and is connected with several European destinations, mainly by Ryanair.



By bus (Reus Transport: www.reustransport.cat): the bus number 50 connects the Reus Airport to the city centre in less than 30 minutes, with a frequency of one hour. The bus makes several stops, including bus and train stations.



By taxi: taxis stand in front of the door of the arrivals terminal of the airport. The approximate cost of the journey to the city centre is 20 € and lasts about 15 minutes.

How to get to Reus from Barcelona?

Reus is located 110 km south of Barcelona, just over an hour away.



By car: take the AP-7 motorway and after one hour take exit 34 and follow the T11 towards Reus.



By train (RENFE: www.renfe.es): the trip from Barcelona takes about 1 hour and 40 minutes. There are about 15 trains making the journey between Barcelona Sants station and Reus each day. The adult fare is 8.40€ (regional) and 9.55€ (Catalonia Express).



By bus (www.igualadina.com): Hispano Igualadina connects Barcelona with Reus four times a day on weekdays and twice on weekends. The journey takes 1 hour and 50 minutes and the fare is 10.60€.



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How to get to Reus from Barcelona Airport?



By bus (www.busplana.com): Plana connects Barcelona Airport with Reus six times a day on weekdays and five on weekends. The journey takes between 1 hour and 30 minutes and 2 hours and 40 minutes (depending on timetable) and the fare is 16.90€.



By train (RENFE: www.renfe.es): There is a train station at the T2 building that connects with Sants station in Barcelona. Departures are every 20 minutes.

Accommodation

The registration fee includes the conference lunch and conference refreshments. It does not include travel or accommodation costs. Participants are expected to arrange their own accommodation. Among the hotels of the following list, Reus Park Hotel is the closest to the venue of the conference (5-minute walk) and Hotel Gaudí, Hotel Centre Reus and NH Hotel are inside a reasonable walking distance:



Hotel NH Ciutat de Reus ****

<http://www.nh-hotels.com>



Hotel Centre Reus ***

<http://hotelcentrereus.com/home/>



Hotel Reus Park ***

<http://en.hotelreuspark.com/>



Hotel Gaudí ***

<https://www.hotelgaudireus.com/>



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Registration and fees

The registration fee is 150€. As this workshop intends to create a network among researchers working on sustainability issues, participation is also encouraged without paper presentation (fees are the same in both circumstances). Fee covers coffee breaks and a lunch, as well as full access of all activities of the workshop.

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