



UNIVERSITAT ROVIRA I VIRGILI

INFER Workshop in Urban and Regional Economics

September 4th – 5th, 2014

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Sala de Graus (Faculty of Business and Economics, URV)

- 08:45 – 09:00 Registration
- 09:00 – 09:15 Welcome Address
- 09:15 – 10:30 Invited Lecture: Professor Philip McCann (University of Groningen)
- 10:30 – 10:45 Coffee break
- 10:45 – 12:45 Session 1 "Spatial Methodologies"
- 12:45 – 14:00 Lunch (Faculty of Business and Economics, URV)
- 14:00 – 16:00 Session 2 "Firm Dynamics"
- 16:00 – 16:15 Coffee break
- 16:15 – 17:15 Session 3 "Agglomeration Economies"
- 20:00 Dinner at *Restaurant El Círcol*

September 5th 2014

Sala de Graus (Faculty of Business and Economics, URV)

- 09:00 – 10:30 Session 4 "Knowledge Dynamics"
- 10:30 – 10:45 Coffee break
- 10:45 – 12:00 Invited Lecture: Professor Andrés Rodríguez-Pose (London School of Economics)
- 12:00 – 13:30 Session 5 "Labour Market and Innovation"
- 13:30 – 14:30 Lunch (Faculty of Business and Economics, URV)
- 14:30 – 15:30 Session 6 "Housing and Migration"
- 15:30 – 15:45 Coffee break
- 15:45 – 17:15 Session 7 "Environmental Issues"
- 17:15 Farewell

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08:45 – 09:00 **Registration**

09:00 – 09:15 **Welcome Address**

Jan Van Hove (INFER chair)

Bernd Theilen (CREIP chair)

Josep-Maria Arauzo-Carod & Miguel Manjón-Antolín (CREIP & URV)

09:15 – 10:30 **“Regional Development in Europe: Interactions between Economic Geography, Institutions and Policy”
Invited Lecture: Philip McCann
(University of Groningen)**

10:30 – 10:45 **Coffee break**

10:45 – 12:45 **Session 1 “Spatial Methodologies”
Chair: Philip McCann**

“Spatial econometrics, Nonlinearities, Semiparametric models”
(Roberto Basile, María Durbán, Román Mínguez, Jose María Montero)
Discussant: Stefano Magrini

“A W matrix that evolves. The case of the Spanish regional unemployment”
(Ana Angulo, Peter Burridge, Jesús Mur)
Discussant: Roberto Basile

“A Two Methodological Comparison of a Spatial Gravity Model in a Context of Interregional Trade Firms”
(Luisa Alamá Sabater, Laura Márquez Ramos, José Miguel Navarro Azorín, Celestino Suárez Burguet)
Discussant: Jesús Mur

“Spatial Distribution Dynamics”
(Margherita Gerolimetto, Stefano Magrini)
Discussant: Laura Márquez Ramos

12:45 – 14:00 **Lunch (Faculty of Business and Economics, URV)**

14:00 – 16:00 **Session 2 “Firm Dynamics”
Chair: Josep-Maria Arauzo-Carod**

“Relocating R&D Facilities Just Around the Corner?”
(Josep-Maria Arauzo-Carod, Miguel Manjón-Antolín, Oscar Martínez)
Discussant: Félix Modrego

"The influence of spatial variables on plant survival"
(Isabel Mota, Pedro Campos, Margarida Ribeiro)
Discussant: Oscar Martínez

"Big Plant Closures and Agglomeration Economies"
(Jordi Jofre-Monseny, María Sánchez-Vidal, Elisabet Viladecans-Marsal)
Discussant: Isabel Mota

"Location and entrepreneurship in Chile: insights from a spatially-explicit occupational choice model"
(Félix Modrego, Philip McCann, William E. Foster and M. Rose Olfert)
Discussant: María Sánchez-Vidal

16:00 – 16:15 **Coffee break**

16:15 – 17:15 **Session 3 "Agglomeration Economies"**
Chair: Miguel Manjón-Antolín

"Malthus living in a slum: Urban concentration, infrastructures and economic growth"
(David Castells Quintana)
Discussant: Alexander C. Lembcke

"What Makes Cities More Productive? Evidence on the Role of Urban Governance from Five OECD Countries"
(Rudiger Ahrend, Emily Farhy, Ioannis Kaplanis, Alexander C. Lembcke)
Discussant: David Castells Quintana

20:00 **Dinner at *Restaurant El Círcol***

September 5th 2014

09:00 – 10:30 **Session 4 “Knowledge Dynamics”**
Chair: Camélia Turcu

“Knowledge spillovers and economic performance of firms located in depressed areas: does geographical proximity matter?”
(Liliana Araújo, Sandra Silva, Aurora A.C. Teixeira)
Discussant: Astrid Krenz

“New industry: Spatial Distribution and Regional development in the European Union regions”
(Antoni Soy, Jordi Suriñach, Esther Vayá)
Discussant: Sandra Silva

“Agglomeration of Knowledge: A Regional Economic Analysis for the German Economy”
(Astrid Krenz)
Discussant: Esther Vayá

10:30 – 10:45 **Coffee break**

10:45 – 12:00 **“Quality of government and innovative performance in the regions of Europe”**
Invited Lecture: Andrés Rodríguez-Pose
(London School of Economics)

12:00 – 13:30 **Session 5 “Labour Market and Innovation”**
Chair: Andrés Rodríguez-Pose

“Job accessibility, employment and job-education mismatch in the metropolitan area of Barcelona”
(Antonio Di Paolo, Anna Matas, Josep Lluís Raymond)
Discussant: Catalina Jordi

“Does absorptive capacity determine collaborative research returns to innovation? A geographical dimension”
(Erika Raquel Badillo, Rosina Moreno)
Discussant: Antonio Di Paolo

“The determinants of urban (un)employment duration: Evidence from Barcelona”
(Catalina Jordi, Miguel Manjón-Antolín)
Discussant: Erika Raquel Badillo

13:30 – 14:30 **Lunch (Faculty of Business and Economics, URV)**

14:30 – 15:30 **Session 6 “Housing and Migration”**

Chair: Luis Díaz

“Are housing market policies offset at the labour market? The effect of housing market tenure type on wages”

(Mark A.C. Kattenberg, Wolter H.J. Hassink)

Discussant: Yuri Yegorov

“Migration as Driving Force for the Dynamics of Housing Rent”

(Yuri Yegorov)

Discussant: Mark A.C. Kattenberg

15:30 – 15:45 **Coffee break**

15:45 – 17:15 **Session 7 “Environmental Issues”**

Chair: Jan Van Hove

“Economic integration, factors’ location and spatial disparities”

(Camélia Turcu)

Discussant: Christian A. Oberst

“Regional Economic Determinants for the Adoption of Micro-Generation Technologies of Renewable Energies: The Case of Germany”

(Christian A. Oberst, Reinhard Madlener)

Discussant: Marie Caroline Vandermeer

“Economic land consumption and regional development in North-West Europe”

(Marie Caroline Vandermeer, Jean Marie Halleux)

Discussant: Camélia Turcu

17:15 **Farewell**

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