

4th PhD-Student Workshop in Industrial and Public Economics (WIPE)

Thursday February 11th 2016

Sala de Graus

(Faculty of Business and Economics, Universitat Rovira i Virgili)

08:45 – 09:00 Registration

09:00 – 09:15 Welcome: **Bernd Theilen** (Director of CREIP) and
Ricardo Flores-Fillol (Secretary of CREIP)

09:15 – 10:45 Session 1 “Innovation and Firm Performance”
Chair: Mercedes Teruel-Carrizosa

Abdelfeteh Bitat (joint with W. Laurieru, Saint-Louis University
Brussels)

“Environmental regulation and eco-innovation: insights from diffusion
of innovations theory”

Discussant: Juan Antonio Duro

Jorge Andrés Vélez Ospina (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)

“Innovation decision and firm productivity: An empirical analysis for
the services sector”

Discussant: Elisenda Jové

David Vidal-Tomas (joint with S. Alfarano, and A. Ruiz-Buforn,
Universitat Jaume I)

“Distributional analysis of the largest Spanish Firms' profit and
growth rates”

Discussant: Agustí Segarra

10:45 – 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 – 12:30 Session 2 “Finance”
Chair: Carolina Manzano

Frank Sackey (Universitat Rovira i Virgili - CREIP)
“Policy and Discrimination in the microfinance market in Africa: the case of Ghana”
Discussant: Sebastián Cano-Berlanga

Christiana Anaxagorou (University of Sheffield)
“The effects of foreign aid and institutional quality on public finance: A panel analysis of developing countries”
Discussant: Yuliya Lovcha

Ellis Kofi Akwaa-Sekyi (Universitat de Lleida)
“Bank internal controls and operational risk: Evidence from crisis countries in Europe”
Discussant: Óscar Martínez

12:30 – 13:45 Lunch (Faculty of Business and Economics, Universitat Rovira i Virgili)

13:45 – 15:15 Session 3 “Regional and Urban Economics”
Chair: Ricardo Flores-Fillol

Nicolás González Pampillón (joint with J. Jofre-Monseny, and E. Viladecans-Marsal, Institut d'Economia de Barcelona (IEB) - Universitat de Barcelona)
“Can Urban Renewal Policies Reverse Ethnic Tipping Points?”
Discussant: Josep Maria Arauzo-Carod

Soraya Hidalgo-Gallego (joint with R. Núñez-Sánchez, and P. Coto-Millánz, Universidad de Cantabria)
“Spatial non-price competition in port infrastructure services”
Discussant: Judith Turrión

Karen Miranda (joint with O. Martínez-Ibañez, and M. Manjón-Antolín, Universitat Rovira i Virgili- CREIP)
“Estimating individual effects and their spatial spillovers in linear panel data models”
Discussant: Alejandro Pérez-Laborda

15:15 – 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 – 17:00 Session 4 “Public Economics”
Chair: Bernd Theilen

Carolina Mainer Casado (Universidad Complutense de Madrid)
“Locational Preferences and Structure of Spanish Multinational Firms
Activity: an Empirical Analysis”
Discussant: Eva Coll

Paola Rocchi (Universitat de Barcelona) (joint with Iñaki Arto
(Basque Centre for Climate Change), Jordi Roca (Universitat de
Barcelona), and Mònica Serrano (Universitat de Barcelona)
“Carbon-motivated border tax adjustment: a proposal for the EU”
Discussant: Patricia Sanz

17:15 – 18:30 Invited Lecture: **Jose L. Moraga-Gonzalez** (VU
University Amsterdam - University of Groningen)
“Prices and heterogeneous search costs”

20:00 Dinner at “La Glorieta del Castell”

Friday February 12th 2016

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09:30 – 11:00 Session 5 “Labour Economics”
Chair: Xavier Ponce

Hoon Choi (Universitat de Barcelona)
“Do anti-discrimination laws alleviate labor market duality?
Quasi-experimental evidence from Korea”
Discussant: Catalina Jordi

Yuval Mazar (Hebrew University)
“Worker Mobility and Employment Protection Legislation”
Discussant: Peio Zuazo-Garin

Orkhan Nadirov (joint with F. Aliu, Tomas Bata University in Zlín)
“Tax Rates and Motivation to Work”
Discussant: Ferran Mañé

11:00 – 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 – 12:45 Session 6 “Micro Theory”
Chair: José-Manuel Giménez-Gómez

Marina Bannikova (Universitat Rovira i Virgili – CREIP)
“Are Parliaments with More Parties Cheaper to Bribe?”
Discussant: Peio Zuazo-Garin

Leonardo Madio (University of York)
“Optimal Investment in two-sided markets with spillover effects”
Discussant: Jose L. Moraga-Gonzalez

Arne Pieters (University of Hamburg)
“Repeated Burden Sharing and Costly Negotiations”
Discussant: Marina Bannikova

12:45 – 13:45 Session 7 “Games and Institutions”
Chair: Cori Vilella-Bach

Cristina Bellés-Obrero (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)
“Who is being (dis)incentivized? Three different types of economic incentives over students’ performance”
Discussant: Sabine Flamand

Shahir Safi (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona - IDEA)
“Coalitional Constraints in Network Models with Externalities”
Discussant: Francesc Llerena

13:45 Prize for Young Researchers conceded by *La Càtedra per al Foment de la Innovació Empresarial*.

Farewell

13:50 – 15:00 Lunch (Faculty of Business and Economics, Universitat Rovira i Virgili)

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