

## Recent Events

### Barcelona Insurance and Risk Management Summer School

In July 2014 the Faculty of Economics and Business of the University of Barcelona hosted the 2014 Barcelona Insurance and Risk Management Summer School, an annual meeting of insurance experts. The 2014 edition offered three courses: International Long-term Care Policy Network, Economics of Risk and Economics of Insurance. The event was organized by the research group Risk in Insurance and Finance (Riskcenter–IREA) and by the London School of Economics. The closing lecture was delivered by Richard Watt, of the University of Canterbury.

#### For further information

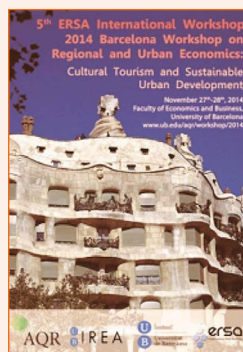


### The Barcelona Workshop on Regional and Urban Economics “Cultural Tourism and Sustainable Urban Development”

On 27 and 28 November 2014 the research group Regional Quantitative Analysis (AQR–IREA) hosted the 2014 Barcelona Workshop on Regional and Urban Economics under the title “Cultural Tourism and Sustainable Urban Development”. Over the two days, senior and junior researchers presented a series of cutting-edge research papers on tourism and agglomeration economies.

Some fifty scholars and policy makers attended the Workshop, which also formed part of the activities organized by the European Regional Science Association on the occasion of its Fifth International Workshop. The event was opened by IREA’s director, Jordi Suriñach, and the inaugural lecture was given by keynote speaker Karl Wöber (MODUL University Vienna). The first session focused on the spatial analysis of cultural tourism flows and policy implications, the second examined the incidence of tourism on cultural activities, and the third and final session addressed the impact of cultural tourism.

#### Program



### Ernest Lluch Workshop on Public Service Management Reform

On 11 and 12 August 2014 and together with the Universidad Internacional Mendez Pelayo, the research group Governments and Markets (GiM–IREA) hosted the 2014 Ernest Lluch Workshop on Public Service Management Reform, in Santander. The papers presented over the two days examined policies of privatization, nationalization and mixed or hybrid alternatives in local services, transport infrastructure and the health services. Some thirty scholars and policy makers attended the Workshop and participated in a series of thought-provoking discussions about current and future scenarios in the area of public policy.

#### Program



### The Government of Catalonia recognizes AQR, GiM and Riskcenter as government-consolidated research groups in applied economics

The Government of Catalonia’s Agency for the Management of University and Research Grants (AGAUR) has published its resolution of the Call for Support to Research Groups SGR 2014–2016. The overall objective of the Call is to provide financial aid for Catalan research groups working in different areas of science and to recognize and promote quality research, knowledge transfer and the internationalization of scientific activities. In the first stage of the Call applicant groups learnt if they met the requirements to be recognized as consolidated research groups (GRCs, by their initials in Catalan) and at a second stage financial support was allocated. The total amount allocated for SGR 2014–2016 is €21.6 million (€7.2 million for each of the three years covered).

The Call has recognized a total of 1,649 research groups, of which 1,361 (82.5%) were granted GRC status and 288 (17.5%) were recognized as emerging groups (GREs). In the area of applied economics, IREA’s three research groups Regional Quantitative Analysis (AQR), Riskcenter–Risk in Insurance and Finance, and Governments and Markets (GiM) were all recognized as GRCs. In addition, AQR and GiM were awarded funding to support costs in staff, equipment and other areas.



## IREA-UB News

**The BBVA Foundation awards AQR a research grant**

The BBVA Foundation has awarded one of its five socioeconomics research grants to a research team that includes members of the research group Regional Quantitative Analysis (AQR-IREA) for the project *Redes de colaboración tecnológica e innovación. Determinantes y efectos sobre la competitividad de las empresas españolas* ("Technology collaboration networks and innovation: Determinants and effects on the competitiveness of Spanish firms"). Chosen from over one hundred applicants, the team brings together AQR researchers Rosina Moreno (principal investigator), Josep Lluís Carrión, Enrique López-Bazo, Raúl Ramos, Vicente Royuela, Jordi Suriñach and Esther Vayá. Also participating in the project are Riccardo Crescenzi (London School of Economics), Ernest Miguélez (**Université Montesquieu-Bordeaux IV**) and Stefano Usai (Centre for North South Economic Research [CRENoS], University of Cagliari). The project, which is to be conducted over the next two years, aims to provide robust evidence of the importance of technological collaboration and participation in global innovation networks in the success of innovative activity in the Spanish business sector and its effect on business results (especially international competitiveness), on the generation of employment and on income inequality.

**For further information**

**The AQR Research Group, together with the Deutsches Institute für Wirtschaftsforschung (DIW), has advised the European Parliament with a study entitled "Wage Dispersion in the EU"**

On November 4, 2014 the members of the research team, formed by Jordi Suriñach, Enrique López-Bazo, Raul Ramos i Vicente Royuela, presented the final work to the European Parliament.

The aim of the study was to analyze wage inequality in the EU, as well as the role of structural policies, particularly those that refer to labor market regulation, recent changes in income inequality in member states of the EU.

Specifically, this study has provided a detailed analysis of the effect on wages and inequality in labor income inequality of collective bargaining system, the existence and relative magnitude of a minimum wage, and the coexistence of work posts of different quality.

This is the second project that AQR Group conducted for the European Parliament in the last two years. The first one was carried out in 2013 and entitled «The European Dimension in the National Reforms Programmes and the Stability and Convergence Programmes».

**"Income inequality, urban size and economic growth in OECD regions"**

On Tuesday the 25th of November was presented at the OECD headquarters in Paris the results of the project "Income inequality, urban size and economic growth in OECD regions".

The purpose of this work, developed by AQR-IREA members Vicente Royuela and Raul Ramos together with Paolo Veneri (OECD), is to understand how income inequality is associated with economic growth in more than two hundred OECD regions and whether the degree and type of urban concentration affects this relationship. Both income inequality and urban concentration can be seen as patterns of resources allocation that are particularly interlinked at regional level. Econometric results show that, at least for the short period under consideration, there is a general negative association between inequalities and economic growth, especially since the start of the economic crisis. This relationship is sensitive to the type of urban structure. Higher inequalities seem to be more detrimental for growth in large cities, while regions characterised by small cities and rural areas are less affected.

**AQR-Lab reports to Barcelona City Council on the results of a Sunday shopping pilot**

The knowledge transfer group AQR-Lab has submitted a report to Barcelona City Council on Sunday shopping titled *Avaluació de l'Obertura dels Comerços als Diumenges d'Estiu a la Ciutat de Barcelona* ("Evaluation of allowing Barcelona's shopkeepers and stores to open their doors for Sunday shopping in the summer months"). The report, which was presented at a press conference on 17 November 2014, was written by Jordi Suriñach, Jordi López-Tamayo, Esther Vayá and Barcelona's second deputy mayor, Sònia Recasens. The report considers the results of a pilot test conducted during the summer of 2014 in which the city's shopkeepers and businesses were allowed to open their doors to Sunday shoppers. It also brought together feedback from agents assessing the effects that changes in shops' opening hours might have in the future.

AQR-Lab's main finding was that there is a high level of awareness about the regulatory standards of business hours, but that there is also a wide margin of growth for certain types of business and consumer. Except in the district of Ciutat Vella, whether a business chooses to open has more to do with its location on a particular street or thoroughfare than with the wider geographical area of its neighborhood. Furthermore, there is no clear position on opening areas or hours between shopkeepers and customers. Less trade, the changing habits of Barcelona's residents and increasing prices were also observed to be important factors. Finally, it was also seen that most Sunday shoppers were visitors to the city. Based on these results, the City Council has decided to repeat the experiment during the summer of this year in tourist areas of the city.

**Article**

➤ The doctoral student Erika Badillo (AQR-IREA) has received an award for her paper “Are R&D collaborative agreements persistent at the firm level? Evidence for the Spanish case”. The award was given by the Chair for the Promotion of Business Innovation of the Universitat Rovira i Virgili (Working Papers Series 2014).

➤ Readers may now consult the online version of the study by AQR-IREA’s Joaquin Murillo, Javier Romaní and Jordi Suriñach titled “The Business Excellence Attraction Composite Index (BEAC): Design and application to the municipalities of the Barcelona province”. The study is the result of extensive research to develop a methodological tool to assess the socioeconomic environment of the area in question: a composite index to assess the capacity to attract high-tech or knowledge-intensive businesses characterized by their low environmental impact (economic activities of business excellence). The study was uploaded on 20 October 2014.

➤ On 27 October 2014 the predoctoral researcher Jaume Belles i Sampera (Riskcenter-IREA) was awarded the Eleventh Ferran Armengol i Tubau Award for the best work written on the subject of insurance. His paper *Noves mesures del risc a efectes de solvència a les companyies d’assegurances* (“New measures of risk for solvency in insurance companies”) proposes innovative ways to measure risk and is particularly useful for presenting the results of the EU Directive Solvency II and the standard Basel III. This author’s research has also been published in the journal Risk Analysis.



#### ➤ Doctoral Thesis Defense:

■ Sandra Nieto Viramontes (September 26): “Essays on Overeducation Evidence from Spain” directed by Dr. Raul Ramos Lobo.

■ Paula Herrera Idarrága (July 18): “Three Empirical on Education and Informality in the Labor Market of a Developing Country: The Colombian Case” directed by Dra. Elisabet Motellón Corral and Dr. Enrique López Bazo.

## PUBLICATIONS:

### INTERNATIONAL

*Mixed and Hybrid Models of Public Service Delivery.* Bel, G., Brown, T. and Warner, M. **International Public Management Journal**, 17(3), 297-307.

*Real-time forecasting US GDP from small-scale factor models.* Camacho, M. and Martínez-Martín, J. **Empirical Economics**. 47 (1), 347-364.

*Is Football an Indicator of Development at the International Level?.* Gásquez, R. and Royuela, V. **Social Indicators Research, Springer**, 117 (3), 827-848.

*Institutional and Socio-Economic Convergence in the European Union.* Lopez-Tamayo, J., Ramos, R. and Suriñach, J. **Croatian Economic Survey**, 16( 2), 5-28.

*Innovation adoption and productivity growth: Evidence for Europe.* Moreno, R. and J. Suriñach, **Ekonimiz**, 86(2), 69-93.

*Algunas reflexiones sobre el Sistema Nacional de Investigaciones (SNI) de México.* Reyes, G. and Suriñach, J. *Revista Investigación Administrativa Reserva de Derechos al uso exclusivo No. 04-2006-020113355000-01, ISSN : 1*

*An application of capital allocation principles to operational risk and the cost of fraud.* Urbina, J. and Guillén, M. **Expert Systems with Applications**, 41(16), 7023-7031.

*Immigrant Occupational Mobility: Longitudinal Evidence from Spain.* Simón, H., Ramos, R. and Sanromá, E. **European Journal of Population**, 30 (2), 223-255.

*High-Speed Rail accessibility: A comparative analysis of urban access in Los Angeles, San Francisco Bay Area, Madrid and Barcelona.* Zhong C., Bel, G. and Warner, M. **European Journal of Transport and Infrastructure Research**, 14 (4), 473-495.

*Agglomeration, inequality and economic growth.* Castells-Quintana, D.; Royuela, V. (2014). **Annals of Regional Science**, 52 (2), 343-366.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### VIII IREA-UB Annual Seminar

The VIII UB-IREA Annual Seminar will be held on February 2nd, 2015 at the Faculty of Economics and Business, where the external speaker will be Ginés de Rus (Professor of Applied Economics, University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria).

#### Program

## Books and book chapters

**Impacto económico, cultural y social de la Defensa.** Suriñach, J., García, J.R., Murillo, J., Romani, J. and Vayá, E. Ministerio de Defensa. ISBN 978-84-9781-957-2.

**The Occupational Location of Spanish-English bilinguals in the New Information Economy.** Alarcón, A.; Di Paolo, A.; Heyman, J. and Morales, C. In Callahan, R.M. & Gándara, P.C. (Eds.), "Is There Really any Labor Market Advantage to Being Bilingual in the US?" ISBN: 9781783092413. Multilingual Matters, Bristol, U.K.

**Returns to Spanish-English Bilingualism in the New Information Economy.** Alarcón, A.; Di Paolo, A.; Heyman, J.; Morales, C. In Callahan, R.M. & Gándara, P.C. (Eds.), "Is There Really any Labor Market Advantage to Being Bilingual in the US?" ISBN: 9781783092413. Multilingual Matters, Bristol, U.K.

**La valoración que hacen los estudiantes de su experiencia universitària.** Martínez, M.; Pons, E. (2014) a Ariño, A.; Llopis, R.; Soler, I. (ed.) *Desigualdad, diversidad y Universidad. Condiciones de Vida y de Participación de los Estudiantes Universitarios en España* Ministerio de Educación, Cultura i Deporte, Madrid.

Pons, E.; Martínez, M.; Díaz, A. (2014): Joves, crisi i accés a la Universitat a *L'estat de l'educació a Catalunya*. Anuari 2013. Fundació Bofill.

**Inequality in European Regions** Ramos, R.; Royuela, V. (2014) in Wennberg, K.; Ehrling, G. (eds), *Inclusive Growth in Europe*, European Liberal Forum, Hindås, Suecia.

## SEMINARS

23 July 2014 – AQR-IREA

**Reyna Elizabeth Rodríguez Pérez** (Universidad Autónoma de Coahuila)

*Discriminación salarial por efecto de la discriminación de la mujer en el mercado laboral de la frontera norte de México*

15 September 2014 – AQR-IREA

**Milan Palát** (Faculty of Regional Development and International Studies, Mendel University in Brno)

*Immigration and labour market trends in the Czech Republic*

22 October 2014 – AQR-IREA

**Clément Gorin** (GATE-LSE, University of Saint-Etienne)

*What drives inventors' mobility across urban areas?*

22 October 2014 – RISKCENTER-IREA

**Argimiro A Arratia Quesada** (Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya)

*Forecasting financial time series with machine learning models and Twitter data*

29 October 2014 – AQR-IREA

**Alicia Gómez Tello** (Department of Applied Economics, UAB)

*Opportunity costs and land specialization: What happens with the Spanish agricultural sector?*

13 November 2014 – AQR-IREA

**Paolo Naticchioni** (Roma Tre University and IZA)

*Mr. Rossi, Mr. Hu and Politics: The Role of Immigration in Shaping Natives' Political Preferences*

5 Desember 2014 – AQR-IREA

**Annekatrien Niebuhr** (IAB Northern Germany)

*Disparities in firm innovation – Evidence on selection and context effects*

17 Desember 2014 – AQR-IREA

**Catia Nicodemo** (Oxford University)

*Immigration and Welfare: the NHS case*

## IREA-UB 2014 WORKING PAPERS

**WP 2014/21 Forward Looking Banking Stress in EMU Countries** *K. Singh, M., Gómez-Puig, M. and Sosvilla-Rivero, S.*

**WP 2014/22 Industrial Emissions Abatement: Untangling the Impact of the EU ETS and the Economic Crisis** *Bel, G. and Joseph, S.*

**WP 2014/23 An Institutional, Social and Economic Performance Index (ISEPI) with an application to the European Neighbourhood Policy** *López-Tamayo, J., Ramos, R. and Suriñach, J.*

**WP 2014/24 European government bond market integration in turbulent times** *Abad, P. and Chuliá, H.*

**WP 2014/25 Income inequality in Europe. Analysis of recent trends at the regional level** *Ramos, R. and Royuela, V.*

**WP 2014/26 Are we wasting our talent? Overqualification and overskilling among PhD graduates** *Di Paolo, A. and Mañé, F.*

**WP 2014/27 Job loss among immigrant and native workers: evidence from Spain's economic downturn** *Motellón, E. and López-Bazo, E.*

**WP 2014/28 Does absorptive capacity determine collaborative research returns to innovation? A geographical dimension** *Badillo, E.R. and Moreno, R.*

**WP 2014/29 The Spatial effects of transportation on industrial employment** *Fageda, X. and Gonzalez-Aregall, M.*

**WP 2014/30 Cooperation in R&D, firm size and type of partnership: Evidence for the Spanish automotive industry** *Badillo, E.R, Llorente, F. and Rosina, M.*

**WP 2014/31 Volatility Transmission between the stock and Currency Markets in Emerging Asia: the Impact of the Global Financial Crisis** *Valls, N. and Culiá, H.*

## Press Summary

**Germà Bel****Un Govern isabelí**

01/07/2014 La Vanguardia

**Daniel Albalade****Sobre les elits i la rebel·lió a la granja**

05/07/2014 L'Econòmic

**Germà Bel****Menestrals**

15/07/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****El camino es la cooperación**

16/07/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****El rebote del gato muerto**

17/07/2014 El Periódico

**Raül Ramos****Crisis económica i salut**

19/07/2014 L'Econòmic

**Antón Costas****Capitalismo, desigualdad y democracia**

20/07/2014 El País

**Germà Bel****Preescalfament**

29/07/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****En defensa del posibilismo**

30/07/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****El retorno de la historia**

10/08/2014 El País

**Germà Bel****Estabilitat i certesa**

12/08/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****Segundas oportunidades**

16/08/2014 El Periódico

**Germà Bel****Pel mar corren conills**

26/08/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****Falso amigo**

31/08/2014 El País

**Daniel Albalade****Què se n'ha fet, Hollande?**

06/09/2014 L'Econòmic

**Germà Bel****País petit busca espai estel·lar**

09/09/2014 Diari Ara

**Antón Costas****Cambiar las reglas, no romperlas**

10/09/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****Los bajos salarios no funcionan**

11/09/2014 El Periódico

**Raül Ramos****Educació i mercat de treball**

20/09/2014 L'Econòmic

**Antón Costas****Cóctel con Friedman, Keynes y Hayek**

21/09/2014 El País

**Germà Bel****L'Opera de la Cora**

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**Antón Costas****La rabia de las clases medias**

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**Daniel Albalade****Una dieta baixa en inversions**

04/10/2014 L'Econòmic

**Germà Bel****Ja hi tornem a ser, amb les inversions**

07/10/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****Esperando a Rajoy**

08/10/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****Fallan las oportunidades**

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**Antón Costas****Gobernados por ideas equivocadas**

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**Raül Ramos****Es produirà una fugida de talent?**

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**Germà Bel****Capitalisme abonant populisme**

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**Antón Costas****Efemérides Inquietantes**

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**Daniel Albalade****He vist coses que mai creurieu**

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**Antón Costas****La desigualdad asesina la democracia**

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**Germà Bel****Tancats o oberts?**

04/11/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****La vida después del 9N**

05/11/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****Reformas que empeoran las cosas**

06/11/2014 El Periódico

**Germà Bel****Després del dia després**

10/11/2014 La Vanguardia

**Raül Ramos****Creixement economic i corrupció**

15/11/2014 L'Econòmic

**Antón Costas****Para comprender el problema catalán**

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**Germà Bel****Movilitat a una capital de primera**

18/11/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****Ahora la prioridad es la economía**

19/11/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****Remar contra el viento**

23/11/2014 El País

**Daniel Albalade****Els millors anys de la nostra vida**

29/11/2014 L'Econòmic

**Antón Costas****Autismo Político**

30/11/2014 La Vanguardia

**Germà Bel****Despesa social, per qui?**

02/12/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****Divorcio entre economía y política**

03/12/2014 La Vanguardia

**Antón Costas****Buenas noticias para el 2015**

04/12/2014 El Periódico

**Raül Ramos****Es recupera (per fi) el mercat de treball?**

13/12/2014 L'Econòmic

## Participation in Conferences

Abío, G.; Alcañiz, M.; Gómez-Puig, M.; Serrano, M.; Stoyanova, A.; Rubert, G.; Vilalta, M. **Los Grupos de Intensificación del Estudio: una estrategia organizativa dirigida a estudiantes de bajo rendimiento**. XI foro internacional sobre evaluación de la calidad de la investigación y la educación superior (FECIES), Bilbao, Spain (July 9-10)

Alcañiz, M.; Ayuso, M.; Chuliá, H.; Riera, C. **Progresando en competencias profesionales: Utilidad del e-portafolio en una titulación en Estadística**. Congreso Internacional de Docencia Universitaria e Innovación, CIDUI 2014, Tarragona, Spain (July 2-4)

Badillo, E.R.; Moreno, R. **The scale of R&D cooperation: empirical evidence for the Spanish case**. XVII Encuentros de Economía Aplicada, Gran Canaria, Spain. (June 5-6)

Badillo, E.R.; Moreno, R., **“Does absorptive capacity determine collaborative research returns to innovation? A geographical dimension”**. INFER Workshop in Urban and Regional Economics, Reus, Spain. (September 4-5, 2014)

Badillo, E.R.; Moreno, R., **Does absorptive capacity determine collaborative research returns to innovation? A geographical dimension**. Simposio de Análisis Económico, Palma de Mallorca, Spain. (December 11-13, 2014).

Cappellari, L.; Di Paolo, A., **Changes in the Language of Instruction and Returns to Schooling in a Bilingual Labour Market**. XXIX AIEL Conference, Pisa, Italy (September 11-12, 2014).

Cappellari, L.; Di Paolo, A., **Changes in the Language of Instruction and Returns to Schooling in a Bilingual Labour Market**. XXXIX Simposio de Análisis Económico, Palma de Mallorca, Spain (December 11-13, 2014).

Carrion-i-Silvestre, J. L.; Gadea, M.D., **Testing for multiple level shifts in I(1) non-stationary processes**. XXXIX Simposio de Análisis Económico, Palma de Mallorca, Spain (December 11-13, 2014).

Castells-Quintana, D., **Malthus living in a slum: Urban Concentration, Infrastructure and Economic Growth**. INFER Workshop in Urban and Regional Economics, Reus, Spain. (September 4-5, 2014).

Castells-Quintana, D., **Malthus living in a slum: Urban Concentration, Infrastructure and Economic Growth**. 4th European Meeting of the Urban Economics Association, St Petersburg, Russia. (August 26-29, 2014).

Cortada-Pujol, M; López, M; Marimon, M; Gros, B; Creus, A; Estruch, A; Gonzalez, F; Lozano, R; Nonell, R; Pastor, X. **DISEÑO DE ESCENARIOS DE APRENDIZAJE BASADOS EN LA INDAGACIÓN CON SOPORTE TECNOLÓGICO**.

**Estrategias de co-diseño entre docentes e investigadores**. Congrés Internacional de Docència Universitària i Innovació, Tarragona, Spain (July 2-4)

Davtyan, K., **Interrelation among Economic Growth, Income Inequality, and Fiscal Performance: Evidence from Anglo Saxon Countries. Identification and Causality in Macroeconometrics and Finance**, the 15th IWH-CIREQ Macroeconometric Workshop, Halle (Saale), Germany. (December 1-2, 2014).

Di Paolo, A.; Matas, A.; Raymond, J.LI., **Job Accessibility, Employment and Job-Education Mismatch in the Metropolitan Area of Barcelona**. INFER Workshop in Urban and Regional Economics, Reus, Spain (September 4-5, 2014).

Di Paolo, A.; Matas, A.; Raymond, J.LI., **Job Accessibility, Employment and Job-Education Mismatch in the Metropolitan Area of Barcelona**. XXIX AIEL Conference, Pisa, Italy (September 11-12, 2014).

Gil-Lafuente, J.; Arroyo-Cañada, F.J. **Compatibilidad o incompatibilidad entre marcas patrocinadoras en la indumentaria de un deportista**. Workshop on Decision Making, Barcelona, Spain (July 11)

Claeys, P.; Ramos, R; Suriñach, J. **Interaction of government tiers and central banks in a federation: an empirical test**. European Central Bank Public Finance Conference “Fiscal policy, monetary policy and their interaction in a monetary union”, Frankfurt am Main, Germany (11-12 December)

Gómez-Puig, M.; Sosvilla-Rivero, S. **“EMU sovereign debt markets crisis: Fundamental-based or pure contagion?”**. 29th Annual Congress of the European Economic Association, Toulouse, France (August 25-29)

Lillo, A.; Romaní, J.; Casado, J.M. **Tiempo de trabajo y desajuste educativo en el mercado de trabajo español**. ASEPELT 2014, Málaga, Spain (October 22-25)

Matano, A.; Naticchioni, P., **Rent sharing and wages: the relevance of unions**. XXXIX Simposio de Análisis Económico, Palma de Mallorca. Spain (December 11-13, 2014)

Matano, A.; Ramos, R. **Remittances and Educational Outcomes: A Regional Investigation for Moldova**. EALE Conference, Ljubljana, Slovenia (September 18-20)

Melguizo, C., **An analysis of Okun’s law for the Spanish provinces**. XL Reuniones de estudios regionales, Zaragoza, Spain. (November 20-21, 2014).

Motellón, E.; Herrera-Idárraga, P., **Efecto del desajuste educativo en la heterogeneidad regional de los rendimientos a la educació**. XL Reunión de estudios regionales, Zaragoza, Spain. (November 20-21, 2014).

Nieto, S.; Matano, A.; Ramos, R. **Skill Mismatches in the EU: Immigrants vs Natives.** XXIX National Conference of Labour Economics, Pisa, Italy (September 11-12)

Ordóñez, J.; Royuela, V., **Determinantes de la migración interna en Ecuador.** XL Reuniones de estudios regionales, Zaragoza, Spain. (November 20-21, 2014)

Parcerisas, A., Girona, V., Ortin, J., Vilabadal, E., Turull, M., Nonell, R., Busquets, M., Valles, A. **ACTIVIDADES DE EVALUACION CONTINUADA: PERCEPCION DE LOS ESTUDIANTES Un estudio multidisciplinar.** Congrés Internacional de Docència Universitària i Innovació, Tarragona, Spain (July 2-4)

Ramos, R., **Assignatures pendents: la reforma de la formació ocupacional i la inserció dels aturats de més edat.** L'efectivitat de les Polítiques Actives d'Ocupació a debat, Barcelona, Spain. (Desembre 9, 2014)

Ramos, R.; Clar, M.; López-Tamayo, J., **Unemployment forecasts, time varying coefficient models and the Okun's law in Spanish regions.** XL Reunión de estudios regionales, Zaragoza, Spain. (November 20-21, 2014)

Ramos, R.; Simón, H.; Sanroma, E., **Diferencias salariales entre sector público y privado según tipo de contrato: evidencia para España.** XL Reuniones de estudios regionales, Zaragoza, Spain. (November 20-21, 2014)

Royuela, V., **La tauromaquia como prototipo de patrimonio cultural inmaterial. Propuesta de cuantificación de los intangibles en las corridas de toros.** El patrimonio cultural inmaterial como factor de desarrollo, Burgos, Spain. Invited lecture. (October 15, 2014)

Royuela, V.; Ramos, R., **Income inequality, urban size and economic growth in OECD regions.** XL Reuniones de estudios regionales, Zaragoza, Spain. (November 20-21, 2014)

Royuela, V., Veneri, P.; Ramos, R., **Income inequality, urban size and economic growth in OECD regions.** Reunión de Estudios Regionales, Zaragoza, Spain (November 20-21, 2014).

Riera, C.; Chulià, H.; Alcañiz, M.; Santolino, M.; Sarabia, J.M. **La transmisión de competencias: un desafío para la enseñanza de calidad.** XI Foro Internacional sobre la Evaluación de la Calidad de la Investigación y de la Educación Superior (FECIES), Bilbao, Spain (July 9-10)

Soy, A.; Suriñach, J.; Vayá, E. **New industry: Spatial Distribution and Regional development in the European Union regions.** XL Reunión de Estudios Regionales - International Conference on Regional Science, Zaragoza, Spain (20-21 November)

Soy, A.; Suriñach, J.; Vayá, E. **New industry: Spatial Distribution and Regional development in the European Union regions.** INFER Workshop in Urban and Regional Economics, Reus, Spain (4-5 September)

## UB-IREA Management

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