

Recent Events Organized by IREA-UB

**Symposium: “Neither Public nor Private: Mixed Forms of Service Delivery around the Globe”**

Between the 17 and 18 May, the UB’s **Pasqual Maragall Chair of Economy and Territory** organized the international symposium, entitled “**Neither public nor private: mixed forms of service delivery around the globe**”, at the Faculty of Economics and Business. The symposium analyzed public-private partnerships in various countries, paying particular attention to mixed forms of service delivery. These were compared with more conventional arrangements, such as government decisions to deliver public goods and services directly using government employees or via a contract signed with a private entity. Scholars from both Europe and North America took part in the symposium, together with the leaders of various public administration bodies.

In the first session held on day one, a range of conceptual issues were tackled. In the second session, the discussion was opened up to consider the values associated with public

management. In the last session on Thursday, the focus turned to governance in the water sector. On Friday, the conference kicked off with an analysis of public-private partnerships in the United States. This was followed by a session on mixed contracting and ownership. The symposium was concluded with a round table discussion, with the participation of Judith Clifton (University of Cantabria), Ricard Font (General Director of Transport and Mobility in the Catalan Government), Josep Lluís Giménez (General Director of Abertis Autopistas España) and Steve Kelman (Harvard University).

The Reference Network for Research in Applied Economics, the **Research Group on Governments and Markets** (GiM-IREA) and the Ministry of Economics and Knowledge of the Catalan Government all participated in the organization of the symposium.

**Program**



**Conference on Telecommunications and Advanced Seminars**

Joan Calzada (GIM-UB), Iñigo Herguera (CMT) and Antón Costas (GIM-UB) organized the **Conference on Telecommunications** at the UB Faculty of Economics and Business on 8 February 2012 and **Advanced Seminars on Telecommunications** between 9 and 10 of February 2012.

The aim of the Seminars was to outline the characteristics of the regulation of electronic communications services that the Telecommunications Market Commission now applies in Spain. The Seminars analyzed a selection of rules to illustrate the legal system currently applied in Spain and throughout Europe. The aim was to provide a platform for dialogue on a range of current concerns to enhance decision-making in the public telecommunications sector.

Both programs can be consulted at **Conference and Seminar**.



**Barcelona Insurance and Risk Management Summer School 2012**

The **BIRMss** is a yearly event held at Riskcenter-IREA. In 2012, the Summer School offered three courses:

- Emiliano Valdez (University of Connecticut, USA): Advances in Panel Data for Actuarial Applications. July 16-18.
- Stephen Vandufel (Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium): Financial Bounds for Insurance Claims and Explicit Representation of Cost-Efficient Strategies. May 16-18.
- Constantin Zopounidis (Technical University of Crete, Greece) Multiple Criteria in Finance and Accounting. May 7-9.



**Barcelona Insurance and Risk Management Summer School 2012**

## V IREA-UB Seminar: Jordi Galí was the invited lecturer

The Institute for Research on Applied Regional and Public Economics of the University of Barcelona (IREA-UB) held its Fifth Annual Seminar on 17 February at the Faculty of Economics and Business. IREA-UB researchers presented and discussed the latest research developments in their respective fields. Jordi Galí from the Research Center on International Economics (CREI) was this year's guest lecturer.

### Program



## PRESENTATION

### Vicente Royuela presents “La Economía del Escalafón”

Based on economic models and econometric analyses, this book studies taurine labor market fundamentals based on the so-called “ladder” ranking classification, which has been employed for some time in the world of bullfighting to rank its toreros. Over five chapters, the author examines the information revealed as well as the information withheld by this ranking. The discussion introduces alternative rankings based on other criteria. The book, characterized above all for its wealth of data, proposes a model of economic analysis of interest to any reader.



## Awards

### Prof. Montserrat Guillén (Riskcenter-IREA), awarded the ICREA (2011)

#### IREA-UB now boasts three ICREAS

Prof. Montserrat Guillén (Riskcenter-IREA) has been awarded the ICREA Academia (2011), which recognizes research excellence among teaching staff and doctoral researchers at public universities in Catalonia.

The IREA-UB Institute now boasts three members who have been awarded the prize: Prof. Montserrat Guillén (Riskcenter-IREA, 2011), Prof. Germà Bel (GiM-IREA, 2010) and Prof. Josep Lluís Carrion-i-Silvestre (AQR-IREA, 2009).

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Montserrat Guillén, Riskcenter-IREA

### Ernest Miguélez, 2012 “ALdE Jóvenes Investigadores” Award

Ernest Miguélez (AQR-IREA) has been awarded the 2012 “ALdE Jóvenes Investigadores Award”, for his article “How do geographically mobile innovators influence network formation?”. The award was made at the XV Encuentro de Economía Aplicada (EEA-2012) in La Coruña, held last 7 and 8 June.



Ernest Miguélez, AQR-IREA

## Recognition

### Montserrat Guillen, President of the European Group of Risk and Insurance Economists (EGRIE)

Montserrat Guillen (Riskcenter-IREA) is the first woman to chair the association, and, moreover, the youngest person to chair the group. The Vice-President is Dr. Ray Rees, author of "The Microeconomics of Insurance".

The European Group of Risk and Insurance Economists (EGRIE) is a non-profit company based in Munich (Germany) dedicated to promoting research in risk and insurance. It was created by the Geneva Association in 1973, and since that date, has been funded by its partner. The Group organizes annual meetings including high quality international presentations. The Group publishes an official journal, which has a well-established reputation in the academic community, and presents the Ernst Meyer prize to a study demonstrating research excellence each year.



### Jordi Suriñach appointed President of the "Asociación Española de Ciencia Regional" (AECR)

Dr. Jordi Suriñach, Professor of Applied Economics at the University of Barcelona, until now president of the "Associació Catalana de Ciència Regional", has recently been elected President of the "Asociación Española de Ciencia Regional" (AECR). Dr. Suriñach is also director of the Research Institute IREA-UB and Knowledge Transfer Director of the AQR-IREA research group, and coordinator of the SEARCH Project (7th EU Framework Program). His current research interests are regional and urban economics and he is a consultant to several administrative organizations at the EU, national, regional and local levels. In 2011, he chaired the 51st Congress of the European Regional Science Association held in Barcelona.



Jordi Suriñach, AQR-IREA

### Raül Ramos appointed to the editorial team of the European Journal of Development Research

Raül Ramos (AQR-IREA) has been appointed to the editorial team of the European Journal of Development Research as from April 2012.

The European Journal of Development Research is a multi-disciplinary journal that seeks to broaden our understanding of the processes that advance or impede human development, whether from a political, economic, sociological or anthropological perspective.

The European Journal of Development Research has been accepted for inclusion in the Social Sciences Citation Index and will receive its first impact factor in 2012.



Raül Ramos, AQR-IREA

## IREA-UB News

- ❑ Montserrat Guillén (Riskcenter-UB) has been named Honorary Member of the Col·legi d'Actuaris de Catalunya.
- ❑ Riskcenter-IREA members have been directly involved in the study of the rate of alcoholism in Catalonia with particular responsibility for the statistical methodology employed. The study was coordinated by GESOP and financed by the "Departament d'Interior" of the Generalitat de Catalunya.
- ❑ Riskcenter-IREA researchers have participated in the design of statistical indicators for the "Pla de Salut de Catalunya".
- ❑ Josep M<sup>a</sup> Merigó (Riskcenter-IREA) has been a visiting researcher at the University of New York in the first half of 2012.
- ❑ Ramón Alemany (Riskcenter-IREA) has presented the results of his research on the cost effectiveness of prevention programs of dependency in the International Long-term Care Policy Network (ILPN) at the London School of Economics.
- ❑ Riskcenter-IREA researchers have participated in the 2nd edition of Solvency II training, organized by the Col·legi d'Actuaris de Catalunya and with the participation of hundreds of professionals.
- ❑ Jordi Suriñach and Raül Ramos (AQR-IREA) have participated in the writing of the **EFN REPORT: The Economic Outlook for the Euro Area in 2012 and 2013**.
- ❑ Peter Claeys (AQR-IREA) has participated in a research project with the Czech National Bank on the transmission of the financial crisis in bond markets.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**2011 Barcelona Workshop on Regional and Urban Economics: Innovation and Regional Economic Performance**

AQR-IREA will host the Workshop on Innovation and Regional Economic Performance on October 18th-19th 2012 in Barcelona. The aim of this workshop is to bring together cutting-edge research papers on innovation and knowledge diffusion, and their linkages with regional economic performance.

**Preliminary Program**

## PUBLICATIONS:

## International

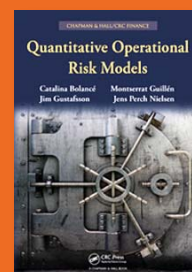
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- *Speed Limit Laws in America: the role of geography, mobility and ideology.* Albalate, D.; Bel, G. **Transportation Research Part A: Policy and Practice** 46(2), 337-347.
- *Governance and regulation of urban bus transportation: Using partial privatization to get the best of both worlds.* Albalate, D.; Bel, G.; Calzada, J. **Regulation & Governance**, 6 (1), 83-100.
- *Institutional Determinants of military spending.* Albalate, D.; Bel, G.; Elias, F. **Journal of Comparative Economics**, 40(2), 279-290.
- *Multivariate density estimation using dimension reducing information and tail flattening transformations.* Buch-Kromann, T.; Guillén, M.; Linton, O.; Nielsen, J.P. **Insurance: Mathematics and Economics**, 48, 99-110.
- *Public services obligations in the airline market: Lessons from Spain.* Calzada, J.; Fageda, X. **Review of Industrial Organization**, 40(4), 291-312.
- *Fuzzy aggregation operators in decision making with Dempster-Shafer belief structure.* Casanovas, M.; Merigó, J.M. **Expert Systems With Applications**, 39, 7138-7149.
- *Debt, interest rates, and integration of financial markets.* Claeys, P.; Moreno R.; Suriñach J. **Economic Modelling**, 29, 49-58.
- *Air services on thin routes: Regional versus low-cost airlines.* Fageda, X.; Flores-Fillol, R. **Regional Science and Urban Economics**, 42 (4), 702-714.
- *Random Forests for Uplift Modeling: An Insurance Customer Retention Case.* Guelman, L.; Guillén, M.; Pérez-Marín, A.M. **Lecture Notes in Business Information Processing**, 115, 123-133.
- *Time-varying effects in the analysis of customer loyalty: A case study in insurance.* Guillén, M.; Nielsen, J.P.; Scheike, T.H.; Pérez-Marín, A.M. **Expert Systems with Applications**, 39, 3551-3558.
- *Wage Differentials between Native and Immigrant Women in Spain: Accounting for Differences in the Supports.* Nicodemo, C.; Ramos, R. **International Journal of Manpower**, 33, 118-136.
- *Wage Distribution and the Spatial Sorting of Workers.* Matano, A.; Naticchioni, P. **Journal of Economic Geography**, 12, 379-408.
- *Uncertain induced aggregation operators and its application in tourism management.* Merigó, J.M.; Gil Lafuente, A.M.; Martorell, O. **Expert Systems With Applications**, 39, 869-880.
- *Decision making with uncertain aggregation operators using the Dempster-Shafer belief structure.* Merigo, J.M.; Casanovas, M. **International Journal Of Innovative Computing Information And Control**, 8, 1037-1062.
- *Cardinal Bayesian allocation mechanisms without transfers.* Miralles, A. **Journal of Economic Theory**, 147 (1), 179-206.
- *A relational approach to the Geography of Innovation: A typology of regions.* Moreno, R.; Miguélez, E. **Journal of Economic Surveys**, 26 (3), 492-516.
- *Modelos estadísticos para los costos en carteras colectivas de seguros de salud.* Ornelas, A.; Alcañiz, M.; Guillén, M. **Revista Ibero-Latinoamericana de Seguros**.
- *Deserción y graduación estudiantil universitaria: Una aplicación de los modelos de supervivencia.* Osorio, A.; Bolancé, C.; Castillo, M. **Revista Iberoamericana de Educación Superior**, 3, 6, 31-57.
- *Commitment and lapse behavior in long-term insurance: a case study.* Piquet, J.; Guillén, M.; Ayuso, M. **The Journal of Risk and Insurance**, 78 (4), 983-1002.
- *Las publicaciones de los investigadores mexicanos en el ISI: Realidad o mito del SIN.* Reyes, G.; Suriñach, J. **Sinéctica**, 1-26.
- *Las evaluaciones internas del SNI: coherencias o coincidencias.* Reyes, G.; Suriñach, J. Secuencia. **Revista de Historia y Ciencias Sociales**, Mayo-agosto, 1-36.
- *Uncertain generalized aggregation operators.* Zhou, L.G.; Chen, H.Y.; Merigó, J.M.; Gil Lafuente, A.M. **Expert Systems With Applications**, 39, 1105-1117.

## National

- *La diversificación del riesgo en los mercados de deuda pública de la zona euro*. Cuñado, J.; Gómez Puig, M. **Cuadernos de economía**, 34, 1-8.
- *Cómo (no) adaptar una asignatura al EEES: Lecciones desde la experiencia comparada en España*. Florido, C.; Jiménez, J.L.; Perdiguero, J. **e-pública (Revista electrónica sobre la enseñanza de la economía pública)**, 10, 24-48.
- *Diseño de aplicativos de 'autodiagnóstico sectoriales' como soporte del trabajo autónomo en el nuevo EEES*. Marín, S.; Llorente, F.; Torra, S.; Rico, E.; Carrillo, M. **RIDU: Revista d'Innovació Docent Universitària**.

## Books and Book Chapters

- *Infrastructure and the Political Economy of Nation Building in Spain, 1720–2010*. Bel, G. **Londres: Sussex Academic Press**.
- *Drug Price Regulation: Recent Trends and Downstream Neglected Issues*. Borrell, J.R. **Walter García-Fontes (Ed) Incentives for R&D Investments in Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology, Springer**.
- *La Economía del Escalafón*. Royuela, V. **Publicaciones UB, ISBN: 978-84-475-3472-2**.
- *Quantitative operational risk models (with examples in SAS and R)*. Bolancé, C.; Guillén, M.; Gustafsson, J.; Nielsen, J.P. **Chapman & Hall/CRC**.



## IREA-UB 2011 WORKING PAPERS

- WP 2012/01** The connection between distortion risk measures and ordered weighted averaging operators. *Belles-Sampera, J.; Merigó, J.M.; Guillén, M. and Santolino, M.*
- WP 2012/02** Location Patterns of Creative Capital and Regional Disparities in Spain. *Kerimoglu, E. and Karahasan, B.C.*
- WP 2012/03** What Drives the Urban Wage Premium? Evidence along the Wage Distribution. *Matano, A. and Naticchioni, P.*
- WP 2012/04** What attracts knowledge workers? The role of space, social connections, institutions, jobs and amenities. *Miguélez, E. and Moreno, R.*
- WP 2012/05** Mergers and difference-in-difference estimator: why firms do not increase prices? *Jiménez, J.L. and Perdiguero, J.*
- WP 2012/06** Building a “quality in work” index in Spain. *López-Tamayo, J.; Royuela, V. and Suriñach, J.*
- WP 2012/07** Price differences between domestic and international air markets: an empirical application to routes from Gran Canaria. *Fageda, X.; Jiménez, J.L. and Díaz Santamaría, C.*
- WP 2012/08** Policy options for the promotion of electric vehicles: a review. *Perdiguero, J. and Jiménez, J.L.*
- WP 2012/09** The business excellence attraction composite index (BEACI). Design and application to the municipalities of the Barcelona province. *Murillo, J.; Romani, J.; Suriñach, J.*
- WP 2012/10** The institutional, economic and social determinants of local government transparency. *Albalade, D.*
- WP 2012/11** Not always sunny in paradise: prices and brand diversity in touristic areas supermarkets. *Campos, J.; Jiménez, J.L. and Suárez-Alemán, A.*

## Press Summary

Antón Costas <i>¿Hay vida inteligente en los Gobiernos?</i> 08/01/2012 El País	Daniel Albalate <i>TMB i la reforma possible</i> 25/02/2012 L'Econòmic	Daniel Albalate <i>Peatges: l'origen del greuge</i> 19/05/2012 L'Econòmic
Antón Costas <i>Massa intens i massa ràpid</i> 12/01/2012 El Periódico de Catalunya	Antón Costas <i>Ens falla l'ambició de créixer</i> 08/03/2012 El Periódico de Catalunya	Antón Costas <i>Cosas que van bien</i> 31/05/2012 El Periódico de Catalunya
Raül Ramos <i>Any Nou, els mateixos problemes de sempre</i> 14/01/2012 L'Econòmic	Raül Ramos <i>S'ha d'aprimar (encara més) el sector públic?</i> 10/03/2012 L'Econòmic	Germà Bel <i>Lecciones tras dos décadas de AVE</i> 01/06/2012 Actualidad Económica
Daniel Albalate <i>Obsessió a alta velocitat</i> 28/01/2012 L'Econòmic	Daniel Albalate <i>Quan l'economia no és suficient</i> 18/03/2012 ARA	Raül Ramos <i>Atur i joves: què podem fer?</i> 02/06/2012 L'Econòmic
Antón Costas <i>Hace falta una visión esperanzadora</i> 29/01/2012 El País	Daniel Albalate <i>El Superregulador i la criptonita</i> 24/03/2012 L'Econòmic	Antón Costas <i>Amistades peligrosas</i> 03/06/2012 El País
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## SEMINARS

12 January 2012 - **GiM-IREA****Trillas, Francesc** (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)*The effects of surprise political events on quoted firms: the March 2004 election in Spain*8 February 2012 - **AQR-IREA****Gásquez, Robert** (Universitat de Barcelona)*Is football an indicator of development at the international level?*15 February 2012 - **AQR-IREA****Herrera, Paula** (Universitat de Barcelona, AQR-IREA)*Education - Occupation mismatching and labor market segmentation in developing countries: The Colombian case*24 February 2012 - **AQR-IREA****Nicodemo, Catia** (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)*Random or Referral hiring: when social connections matter*27 February 2012 - **GiM-IREA****Martín, Juan Carlos and Román, Concepción** (Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria)*Transporte aéreo y alta velocidad: competencia modal, competitividad espacial e integración modal*2 March 2012 - **AQR-IREA****Lozano-Gracia, Nancy** (World Bank)*Nonlinearities and Spatial Effects: A Hedonic Model for the Valuation of Air Quality*16 March 2012 - **AQR-IREA****Pires de Matos, Pedro** (INOVA, School of Business and Economics, New University of Lisbon)*Integrating Spatial Econometrics into Economic Geography: Analysing Labour Productivity in Spain*28 March 2012 - **AQR-IREA****Claeys, Peter** (Universitat de Barcelona, AQR-IREA)*Spain's systemic risk*30 March 2012 - **AQR-IREA****Grazzi, Marco** (Laboratory of

Economics and Management (LEM), Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna (Pisa))

*Turbulence underneath the big calm? Exploring the micro-evidence behind the flat trend of manufacturing productivity in Italy*30 March 2012 - **Riskcenter-IREA****Lozano, Martín** (Manchester Business School)*Estimation of asset pricing models: parameter efficiency and implications for asset allocation*13 April 2012 - **AQR-IREA****Naticchioni, Paolo** (University of Cassino, University of Rome "La Sapienza" and Celeg Luiss)**Unconditional and Conditional Wage Polarization in Europe**13 April 2012 - **Riskcenter-IREA****Arakelyan, Armen** (Universidad Carlos III)*Liquidity in Credit Default Swap Markets*27 April 2012 - **Riskcenter-IREA****Ferri, Antoni** (Riskcenter-IREA, Universitat de Barcelona)*Solvency capital estimation and risk measures*7-8 May 2012 - **Riskcenter-IREA****Zopounidis, Constantin** (Technical University of Crete, Greece)*Multiple criteria in finance and accounting*8 May 2012 - **GiM-IREA****Almunia, Miguel** (University of Berkeley)  
*Tax Enforcement Notches: Evidence from Spanish Firms*11 May 2012 - **AQR-IREA****dell'Erba, Salvatore** (The Graduate Institute)*Sovereign Ratings and the Financial Crisis*14 May 2012 - **GiM-IREA****Jiménez, Juan Luis** (Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria)*Corruption and local politics: does it pay to be a crook?*16-18 May 2012 - **Riskcenter-IREA****Vanduffel, Steven** (Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium)*Financial bounds for insurance claims and explicit representation of cost-efficient strategies*23 May 2012 - **AQR-IREA****Tello, Claudia** (Universitat de Barcelona, AQR-IREA)*Changes in wage structure in Mexico going beyond the mean: An analysis of differences in distribution, 1987-2008.*1 June 2012 - **Riskcenter-IREA****Belles, Jaume** (Riskcenter-IREA, Universitat de Barcelona)*The connection between distortion risk measures and ordered weighted averaging operators*1 June 2012 - **AQR-IREA****Brühlhart, Marius** (Université de Lausanne)*Trade and Towns: On the Uneven Effects of Trade Liberalisation*13 June 2012 - **AQR-IREA****Jung, Juan** (Universitat de Barcelona)  
*Externalities and Absorptive Capacity in a context of Spatial Dependence: The case of European Regions*15 June 2012 - **Riskcenter-IREA****Ornelas, Arely** (Riskcenter-IREA, Universitat de Barcelona)*Mortality risk in Mexico: a comparison of general population mortality and lifetables for insured lives*15 June 2012 - **AQR-IREA****Maravalle, Alessandro** (Universidad del País Vasco)*The role of the trade channel in the propagation of oil supply shocks*22 June 2012 - **AQR-IREA****Meng, Xing** (Australian National University)*Are rural migrants outsiders in urban Chinese enterprises?*29 June 2012 - **AQR-IREA****Sanchis i Marco, Manuel** (Universidad de Valencia)*La crisis global y el futuro de la eurozona*

## Research Projects

- **2012:** European Financial Management Annual Meeting. Ref: ECO2011-14583-E. IP: Marta Gómez-Puig
- **2012-2013:** MAPFRE Foundation, Research Projects on the Insurance Area “*El seguro basado en el uso*” (Usage-based insurance) IP: Mercedes Ayuso Gutiérrez
- DAS Insurance, Research Project entitled “*La Implementació de Mètodes Alternatius en la Resolució de Conflictes*” (Alternative Dispute Resolution Methods) IP: Mercedes Ayuso Gutiérrez, with the participation of legal experts from the Catalan universities.

## Participation in Conferences

Albalade, A.; Bel, G.; Geddes, R. Determinants of Public-Private Partnership Contractual Choice in the United States. Conference on the Economics of the Public-Private Partnerships - IESE. Barcelona, Spain. (April 20-21)

Albalade, A.; Bel, G.; Fageda, X. Beyond pure public and pure private management models: Mixed firms in the European Airport Industry. Conference on Neither Public nor Private: Mixed Forms of Service Delivery around the Globe. Barcelona, Spain. (April 20-21)

Albalade, D.; Bel, M.P.; Evaluación del impacto de las renegociaciones de contratos de concesión: el caso de la AP-7 (AUMAR). XIX Encuentro de Economía Pública. Santiago de Compostela, Spain. (January 26-27)

Albalade, D.; Bel, M.P.; Evaluación del impacto de las renegociaciones de contratos de concesión: el caso de la AP-7 (AUMAR). XV Encuentro de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

Alcañiz, M.; Riera-Prunera, M.C.; Santolino, M. Avaluació per a la millora de l'aprenentatge: experiències de doble correcció. VII Congrés internacional de docència universitària i innovació. Barcelona, Spain. (July 4-6)

Alcañiz, M.; Chuliá, H.; Riera-Prunera, M.C.; Santolino, M. Luces y sombras de la formación universitaria para el ejercicio profesional. IV Congreso nacional sobre mercado de trabajo y relaciones laborales. Palencia, Spain. (April 26-27)

Antorán, A. Análisis económico de los ahorros en importación de combustibles fósiles y derechos de emisión de CO2 derivados de la política pública de subvención mediante primas a la generación. XIX Encuentro de Economía Pública. Santiago de Compostela, Spain. (January 26-27)

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Badillo, E.; Moreno, R. Heterogeneidad en las decisiones de cooperación en I+D según tipo de socio y de sector. XV Encuentros de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

Bel, G.; Rosell, J. Policy success or economic slowdown? Effects of the 80 km/h-1 speed limit on air pollution in the Barcelona metropolitan area. XIX Encuentro de Economía Pública. Santiago de Compostela, Spain. (January 26-27)

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Bel, G.; Fageda, X.; Mur, M. Private production (versus?) Cooperation and costs of solid waste services. XIX Encuentro de Economía Pública. Santiago de Compostela, Spain. (January 26-27)

Belles-Sampere, J.; Guillén, M.; Santolino, M.; Merigó, J.M. The connection between distortion risk measures and ordered weighted averaging operators. The European Financial Management Association EFMA 2012 Annual Meeting. Barcelona, Spain. (June 27-30)

Bermúdez, L.I.; Ferri, A. Bayesian estimation of the correlation matrix between lines of business for non life underwriting module SCR. Actuarial and Financial Mathematics Conference. Brussels, Belgium. (February 9-10)

Bermúdez, L.I.; Karlis, D. How to deal with unobserved heterogeneity when modelling bivariate claim counts. Actuarial and Financial Mathematics Conference. Brussels, Belgium. (February 9-10)

Bermúdez, L.I.; Taoufik, E.; Guillén, M. Underestimation of the solvency capital and risk measurements. The European Financial Management Association EFMA 2012 Annual Meeting. Barcelona, Spain. (June 27-30)

Bolancé, C. Quantitative Operational Risk Models. V Seminari Anual IREA-UB. Barcelona, Spain. (February 17)

Calzada, J. Competition in the media industry: to create fighting versions or to allow links? 3rd Workshop on the Economics of ICTs. Lisboa, Portugal. (March 22-23)



Calzada, J.; Irranzo, S. Neither Public nor Private: The Effects of Cooperatives in Water Provision on Child Health in Peru. Neither Public nor Private: Mixed Forms of Service Delivery around the Globe. Barcelona, Spain. (April 20-21).

Carrión-i-Silvestre, J.L.L.; Surdeanu, L. Estimation of production functions: The Spanish regional case. XV Encuentro de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

Castillo-Manzano, J. I.; Fageda, X. How are investments allocated in a public-owned port system?: Political factors vs economic criteria. Key developments in the port and maritime sector, World Conference of Transportation Research. Antwerp, Belgium. (May 21-22)

Castells, D.; Royuela, V. Agglomeration, inequality and economic growth. XV Encuentro de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

Fageda, X.; González-Aregall, M. Determinants Of Port Revenues: Empirical Evidence From Spain. Key developments in the port and maritime sector, World Conference of Transportation Research. Antwerp, Belgium. (May 21-22)

Fageda, X.; Perdiguero, J. An empirical analysis of a merger between a network and low-cost airlines. Khumo Nectar Conference on Transportation Economics. Berlin, Germany. (June 18-22)

García, J.R.; Manca, F.; Suriñach, J. Task trade en España y detalle regional de las ocupaciones potencialmente deslocalizables. XV Encuentro de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 14-15)

Gómez-Puig, M.; Sosvilla-Rivero, S. Causality and contagion in peripheral EMU public debt markets: a dynamic approach. 10th INFINITI Conference on International Finance. Dublin, Ireland. (June 11-12)

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Goya, E.; Vayá, E.; Suriñach, J. Productividad, innovación y externalidades sectoriales. Evidencia para España. XV Encuentro de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

Guillén, M. Curso de GLM con aplicaciones al Pricing, a la fidelización y a la detección del fraude. Instituto de Actuarios Españoles. Madrid, Spain (June 1-2)

Herrera, P.; López-Bazo, E.; Motellón, E. Education–occupation mismatching and labor market segmentation in developing countries: The Colombian case. XV Encuentro de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

Insa, R. Evaluación continua, objetivo final: aprobar. IV Jornadas de docencia en economía. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

Insa, R.; Riera-Prunera, M.C. Government: a never ending growth? XV Encuentro de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

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Jiménez, J.L.; Perdiguero, J.; García, C. Evaluation of subsidies programs to sell green cars: impact on prices, quantities and efficiency. VII Congreso de la Asociación Española para la Economía Energética. Pamplona, Spain. (January 26-27)

López-Bazo, E.; Motellón, E. Innovar para exportar. Evidencia para el caso regional español. XV Encuentro de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

López-Tamayo, J. Valoración de las competencias de los titulados universitarios en el ámbito de la Economía y El uso de simulaciones en estadística: Una herramienta común para estudiantes de perfil diverso. IV Jornadas de docencia en economía. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

Matano, A. The extent of rent sharing along the wage distribution. V Seminari Anual IREA-UB. Barcelona, Spain. (February 17)

Matano, A.; Naticchioni, P. What Drives the Urban Wage Premium? Evidence along the Wage Distribution. XV Encuentro de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

Miguélez, E. How do geographically mobile innovators influence network formation? XV Encuentro de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

Nieto, S.; Ramos, R. ¿La sobreeducación de los padres afecta al rendimiento académico de sus hijos? XV Encuentro de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

Perdiguero, J. Vertical relations and local competition: an empirical approach. VII Congreso de la Asociación Española para la Economía Energética. Pamplona, Spain. (January 26-27)

Ramos, R. Returns to schooling, overeducation and wage inequality: new evidence. XV Encuentro de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

Riera-Prunera, M.C.; Alcañiz, M.; Claveria, O. Formació universitària i mercat laboral: dues realitats prou confluents? VII Congrés internacional de docència universitària i innovació. Barcelona, Spain. (July 4-6)

Tello, C. Changes in wage structure in Mexico going beyond the mean: An analysis of differences in distribution, 1987-2008. XV Encuentro de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

Voltes, A. Determinants of airport cost flexibility in a context of economic recession. V Seminari Anual IREA-UB. Barcelona, Spain. (February 17)

## Scientific committee

Bel, G.; Brown, T.; Warner, M. Conference on Neither Public nor Private: Mixed Forms of Service Delivery around the Globe. Barcelona, Spain. (May 17-18)

Carrión-i-Silvestre, J.L.L.; López-Bazo, E. XIV Encuentros de Economía Aplicada. La Coruña, Spain. (June 7-8)

Engemann, K.J.; Gil-Lafuente, A.M.; Merigó-Lindahl, J.M. International Conference on Modelling and Simulation in Economics, Engineering and Finance 2012. New York, USA. (May 30 - June 3)

Gómez-Puig, M.; Chuliá, H. EFMA Annual Meeting. Barcelona, Spain. (June 27-30)

Guillén, M. Barcelona Insurance and Risk Management Summer School 2012. Barcelona, Spain. (May 7-9/16-18, and July 16-18)

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