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### IREA-UB in Figures (2000-2011):

- Placed 12th in REPEC’s ranking of research centres
- 79 researchers (2010)
- 127 IREA-UB seminars (2000-2010)
- 88 IREA working papers (2006-2010)
- 154 papers presented at congresses
- 32 Spanish competitive research projects (2008-2010)
- 11 European competitive research projects (2005-2010)
- Articles published in 114 international journals
- Articles published in 31 Spanish journals
- 82 seminars by visiting lecturers (2007-2010)
- 12 post-doctoral internships (2002-2007)
- 25 congresses and conferences organized by IREA-UB (2007-2010)
- 194 papers in REPEC (2000-2010)
- 1110 citations in ISI papers (2000-2010)
- 18 PhD theses supervised (2005-2011)
- 10 master’s courses organized (2005-2011)
- 98 agreements with the Bosch i Gimpera Foundation (2006-2011)

### Participation in International Projects:

- IAREG project “Intangible Assets & Regional Economic Growth” FP7-SSH-2007-1 (216813)
- SEARCH project “Sharing Knowledge Assets: Internationally Cohesive Neighborhoods”
- KIT project “Knowledge, Innovation, Territory”
- EFN project “European Forecasting Research Association for the Macro-Economy”
- DG ECFIN project “Directorate General for Economic and Financial Affairs”
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