WORKSHOP IN MEMORY OF XAVIER RAURICH

11-12 February, 2027

Facultat d'Economia i Empresa, Universitat de Barcelona

Dedicated to the memory of Xavier Raurich, this workshop will bring together co-authors, students and colleagues whose work he shaped, for research presentations and a closing roundtable on his academic life and contributions.

Program

Thursday 11

14.15-14.30: Welcome and Opening Remarks

14.30-16.30: Session 1 — Growth, inequality and socioeconomic dynamics

Chair: Valeri Sorolla (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)

- **Jaime Alonso-Carrera** (Universidade de Vigo): *The Great Gatsby Curve and the Carnegie Effect. (Coauthored by Xavier Raurich).*
- **Alberto Bucci** (University of Milan): *From semi-endogenous to fully endogenous growth: the role of human capital in population decline.*
- **Fabio Cerina** (University of Cagliari and CRENoS): *The anatomy of polarization: evidence from worker flows.*
- **Paolo Melindi-Ghidi** (AMSE, Aix-Marseille University): *Culture, supply chain and sustainable food consumption.*

Coffee break

17:00-19:00: Session 2 — Markets, resource allocation and economic interaction

Chair: Giulia Felice (Politecnico di Milano)

- **Stéphane Bouché** (Universitat de les Illes Balears): *How commodity search frictions shape sectoral allocations. (Coauthored by Xavier Raurich)*
- **Lise Clain-Chamosset-Yvrard** (Université Lumière Lyon 2): *Banking competition in a bubbly economy.*
- **Montserrat Vilalta-Bufí** (Universitat de Barcelona): *Measuring assortative matching by type.*
- **Giorgio Fabbri** (University of Grenoble Alpes): *The invisible hand as an emergent property.*

Friday 12

9.30-11.00: Session 3 — Labor markets and inequality

Chair: José Ignacio Silva (Universitat de Girona)

- **Marc Teignier** (Universitat de Barcelona): *Statistical gender discrimination and family labor market decisions*.
- **Shiyun Zhang** (Universitat de Barcelona): *The visibility of discrimination in frictional labor market*.
- **Luiz Brotherhood** (Universitat de Barcelona): *Minimum wages, inequality, and the informal sector.*

Coffee break

11.30-13.00: Session 4 — Economic development

Chair: Vahagn Jerbashian (Universitat de Barcelona)

- **Hamza Benazzi** (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid): *Consumption and the size of the informal employment.*
- **Bruno Delalibera** (Universitat de Barcelona): *Teacher allocation across educational stages and economic development*.
- **Davide Pietrobon** (Universitat de Barcelona): *Thick tails and thin markets: evidence from Indian agriculture.*

13.15-15.00: Roundtable — Xavier Raurich's Academic Life and Contributions

Chair: Montserrat Vilalta-Bufí (Universitat de Barcelona)

The workshop will conclude with a roundtable reflecting on Xavier Raurich's academic life, research contributions, and impact on students, colleagues and the wider academic community. Participants:

- **Laura Guitart Tarrés** (Degana de la Facultat d'Economía i Empresa, Universitat de Barcelona)
- **Jordi Caballé** (Universitat Autónoma de Barcelona and BSE)
- **Antonio Manresa** (Universitat de Barcelona)
- **Thomas Seegmuller** (Aix-Marseille University and CNRS)
- **Edgar Cruz** (Universidad de Guanajuato)

Venue: Sala de Graus, Facultat d'Economía i Empresa, Universitat de Barcelona, Avenguda de la Diagonal 690-696, 08034 Barcelona.

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