

FINAL PROGRAM: June 4, 2012 – LOCATION: Faculty of Economics and Business of the University of Barcelona (C/ Tinent Coronel Valenzuela, 1-11 - Barcelona)

09:00 – 09:15	Opening address: Elisenda Paluzie (Dean, Faculty of Economics & Business - UB); Marti Parellada (Director, IEB); Elisabet Viladecans-Marsal (Universitat de Barcelona & IEB) (Room: "118")	
09:15 – 10:00	Plenary Session: "Road, railroads and decentralization of Chinese cities" - Vernon J Henderson (Brown University) (Room: "118")	
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee break (Hall Room "118")	
10:30 – 12:00	<p>Session 1a – SPATIAL DIMENSIONS OF LABOUR MARKETS I (Room: "Sala de Recepcions") Chair: Gilles Duranton (University of Toronto)</p> <p>"Why do so few women work in New York (and so many in Minneapolis)? Labor supply of married women across U.S. cities" Lowell J. Taylor (Carnegie Mellon University), Dan Black (Harris School, University of Chicago), Natalia Kolesnikova (Federal Reserve Bank of St Louis) Discussant: Steve Machin</p> <p>"Changing spatial returns to college education" Steve Machin (University College London) and Jo Lindley (University of Surrey) Discussant: Lowell J. Taylor</p>	<p>Session 1b – HOUSING AND LAND I (Room: "Aula 108") Chair: Luis Diaz (University Rovira i Virgili)</p> <p>"Metropolitan land values and housing productivity" David Albouy (University of Michigan) and Gabriel Ehrlich (University of Michigan) Discussant: Kurt Schmidheiny</p> <p>"Urban sprawl and interjurisdictional competition" Alexander Ebertz (Ifo Institute) and Thiess Buettner (Friedrich Alexander University) Discussant: David Albouy</p>
12:00 – 13:30	<p>Session 2a – CITY SIZE DISTRIBUTION (Room: "Sala de Recepcions") Chair: Rafael González-Val (University of Barcelona & IEB)</p> <p>"Cities as spatial clusters" Ferdinand Rauch (London School of Economics) Discussant: Jens Südekum</p> <p>"The size distribution across all cities: A unifying approach" Jens Südekum (University of Duisburg-Essen) and Kristian Giesen (University of Duisburg-Essen) Discussant: Rafael González-Val</p>	<p>Session 2b – ROADS AND GEOGRAPHY I (Room: "Aula 108") Chair: Rosa Sanchis-Guarner (LSE)</p> <p>"Suburbanization and highway improvements: Evidence from Spanish cities" Miquel-Àngel García-López (Autonomous University of Barcelona & IEB), Adelheid Holl (CSIC) and Elisabet Viladecans-Marsal (University of Barcelona & IEB) Discussant: Nathaniel Baum-Snow</p> <p>"Urban transport expansions, employment decentralization, and the spatial scope of agglomeration economies" Nathaniel Baum-Snow (Brown University) Discussant: Miquel-Àngel García-López</p>
13:30 – 14:30	WORKING Lunch (Hall Room "118")	
14.30 – 16:30	<p>Session 3a – SPATIAL DIMENSIONS OF LABOUR MARKETS II (Room: "Sala de Recepcions") Chair: Stuart S Rosenthal (Syracuse University)</p> <p>"Do labor market networks have an important spatial dimension?" David Neumark (University of California Irvine), Judith K Hellerstein (University of Maryland) and MJ Kutzbach (University of California Irvine) Discussant: Henry G. Overman</p> <p>"The effect of public sector employment on local labour markets" Henry G Overman (London School of Economics) and Giulia Faggio (London School of Economics) Discussant: Etienne Wasmer</p> <p>"Unemployment gap between ethnic groups: the role of frictions on the housing and labor markets" Etienne Wasmer (Sciences-Po), Laurent Gobillon (Institut National d'Etudes Démographiques, INED), Jean-Baptiste Kerveillant and Peter Rupert (University of California Santa Barbara) Discussant: David Neumark</p>	<p>Session 3b – PUBLIC POLICIES AND MOBILITY (Room: "Aula 108") Chair: Albert Solé-Ollé (University of Barcelona & IEB)</p> <p>"Do welfare subsidies deter mobility?" Jordi Jofre-Monseny (University of Barcelona & IEB) Discussant: Christian Hilber</p> <p>"Stamp duty and household mobility: Regression discontinuity evidence from the UK" Christian Hilber (London School of Economics) and Teemu Lyytikäinen (Valtion Taloudellinen Tutkimuskeskus, VATT) Discussant: Florian Mayrenis</p> <p>"The impact of urban enterprise zones on establishment location decisions - Evidence from French ZFUs" Florian Mayrenis (Université Catholique de Louvain), Thierry Mayer (Sciences Po) and Loriane Py (Paris School of Economics and Stockholm University) Discussant: Jordi Jofre-Monseny</p>
16:30 – 17:00	Coffee break (Hall Room "118")	
17:00 – 17.45	Plenary Session: "The growth of cities" - Diego Puga (IMDEA) (Room: "118")	
20:30	DINNER: "ATN" Restaurant	

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09:00 – 10:30	<p>Session 4a – CITY AMENITIES (Room: “Sala de Recepcions”) Chair: Jorge de la Roca (CEMFI & IMDEA)</p> <p>“The hidden dimensions of urbanity” Gabriel M Ahlfeldt (London School of Economics) Discussant: Hans Koster</p> <p>“Upscale neighborhoods historic amenities income and spatial sorting of households” Hans Koster (VU University), Jos Van Ommeren (University of Amsterdam) and Piet Rietveld (VU University) Discussant: Gabriel M Ahlfeldt</p>	<p>Session 4b – URBAN THEORY (Room: “Aula 108”) Chair: Kurt Schmidheiny (Basel University)</p> <p>“Spatial segregation and urban structure” Pierre M Picard (University of Luxembourg) and Pascal Mossay (University of Reading) Discussant: Kristian Behrens</p> <p>“Spatial frictions” Giordano Mion (London School of Economics), Kristian Behrens (University of Quebec), Yasusada Murata (Nihon University) and Jens Südekum (University of Duisburg-Essen) Discussant: Pierre Picard</p>
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee break (Hall Room “118”)	
11:00 - 13:00	<p>Session 5a – HOUSING AND LAND II (Room: “Sala de Recepcions”) Chair: Robert Helsley (University of California Berkeley)</p> <p>“Are private markets and filtering a viable source of low-income housing? Estimates from a “Repeat Income” Model” Stuart S Rosenthal (Syracuse University) Discussant: Joseph B Nichols</p> <p>“Swings in commercial and residential land prices in the United States” Joseph B Nichols (Federal Reserve Board), Stephen D Oliner (UCLA) and Michael R Mulhall (JP Morgan Chase) Discussant: Philippe Brake</p> <p>“Homeownership and entrepreneurship” Philippe Bracke (London School of Economics), Christian AL Hilber (London School of Economics) and Olmo Silva (London School of Economics) Discussant: Robert Helsley</p>	<p>Session 5b – AGGLOMERATION ECONOMIES (Room: “Aula 108”) Chair: Jordi Jofre-Monseny (University of Barcelona & IEB)</p> <p>“Selection in initial and return migration: Evidence from moves across Spanish cities” Jorge de la Roca (CEMFI & IMDEA) Discussant: Laurent Gobillon</p> <p>“The costs of agglomeration: Land prices in French cities” Laurent Gobillon (Institut National d'Etudes Démographiques), Pierre-Philippe Combes (Aix-Marseille University) and Gilles Duranton (University of Toronto) Discussant: Monica Andini</p> <p>“Marshallian labor market pooling: Evidence from Italy” Monica Andini (Bank of Italy), Guido de Blasio (Bank of Italy), Gilles Duranton (University of Toronto) and William C Strange (University of Toronto) Discussant: Jorge de la Roca</p>
13:00 – 14:00	WORKING Lunch (Hall Room “118”)	
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Session 6a – ROADS AND GEOGRAPHY II (Room: “Sala de Recepcions”) Chair: Miquel-Àngel García-López (Autonomous University of Barcelona & IEB)</p> <p>“Roads and trade: Evidence from the US” Matthew A Turner (University of Toronto), Gilles Duranton (University of Toronto) and Peter M. Morrow (University of Toronto) Discussant: Rosa Sanchis-Guarner</p> <p>“Driving up wages: The effects of road improvements in Great Britain” Rosa Sanchis-Guarner (London School of Economics) and Teemu Lyytikäinen (Valtion Taloudellinen Tutkimuskeskus, VATT) Discussant: Ferdinand Rauch</p>	<p>Session 6b – URBAN DIVERSITY (Room: “Aula 108”) Chair: Lidia Farré (CSIC)</p> <p>“Diversity and local public goods: a natural experiment with exogenous residential allocation” Camille Hémet (Sciences Po), Yann Algan (Sciences Po) and David Laitin (Stanford University) Discussant: Jessie Bakens</p> <p>“Economic impacts of cultural diversity in the Netherlands: Productivity, utility and sorting” Jessie Bakens (VU University), Peter Mulder (VU University) and Peter Nijkamp (VU University) Discussant: Camille Hémet</p>
15:30-16:00	Coffee break (Hall Room “118”)	
16:00-17:30	<p>Session 7a ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHY AND HISTORY (Room: “Sala de Recepcions”) Chair: Jose Garcia-Quevedo (University of Barcelona & IEB)</p> <p>“The economics of density: Evidence from the Berlin Wall” Daniel M Sturm (London School of Economics), Gabriel M Ahlfeldt (London School of Economics), Stephen J Redding (Princeton University) and Nikolaus Wolf (Humboldt University) Discussant: Florian Ploeckl</p> <p>“Space, settlements, towns: The influence of geography and market access on settlement distribution and urbanization” Florian Ploeckl (University of Oxford) Discussant: Daniel M Sturm</p>	<p>Session 7b –PUBLIC HOUSING AND SEGREGATION (Room: “Aula 108”) Chair: Javier Vázquez-Grenno (University of Barcelona & IEB)</p> <p>“Neighborhood quality and labor market outcomes: Evidence from Quasi-Random neighborhood assignment of immigrants” Anna Piil Damm (Aarhus University) Discussant: Lidia Farré</p> <p>“Rental housing discrimination and the persistence of ethnic enclaves” Lidia Farré (CSIC), Mariano Bosch (Universidad de Alicante) and M Angeles Carnero (Universidad de Alicante) Discussant: Anna Piil Damm</p>
17:30 – 18.15	Plenary Session: “Coagglomeration and the scale and composition of clusters” - William C Strange (University of Toronto) (Room: “118”)	
18.15	Farewell drink (Hall Room “118”)	