

## II WORKSHOP ON TRANSPORT ECONOMICS

### Competition and Regulation in Railways

The liberalization of railway transport in Europe has paved the way to promote competition in this sector. The objective of this workshop is to analyze the role of competition in the provision of passenger and freight services according to available evidence. The main issues will be debated through the presentation of three academic papers followed by a round table with the participation of representatives of different economic agents with presence in these markets.

- 09.00 – 09.30 **WELCOME**
- Anna Matas (IEB, Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona) and Ofelia Betancor (FEDEA, Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria)
- 09.30 – 10.30 **Chris Nash (University of Leeds)**  
“Competition and the Provision of Rail Passenger Services”.  
Discussant: Ofelia Betancor (FEDEA, Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria)
- 10.30 – 11.30 **Marc Ivaldi (Toulouse School of Economics)**  
“The Potential Impact of Open-Access on Prices and Investment: The Case of the U.S. Rail Freight Industry”.  
Discussant: Javier Campos (Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria)
- 11.30– 12.00 **COFFEE BREAK**
- 12.00 – 13.00 **Pedro Cantos (Universidad de Valencia)**  
“Evaluating European Railway Deregulation Using Different Approaches”.  
Discussant: Javier Asensio (Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona)
- 13.00 – 14.15 **Round Table: The Development of Competition in Spanish Railway Markets**  
**Chair:**  
Javier Campos (Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria)  
**Participants:**  
Marc Ivaldi (Toulouse School of Economics)  
Juan Miguel Sánchez (CRF: Spanish Railways Regulator)  
RENFE’s representative (Pending confirmation)  
Luis del Campo (Vice-president, Grupo Transfesa)  
Manel Medina (Outbound Logistics Manager, SEAT)
- 14:15 **LUNCH**

#### Venue

- Place:** Fundación de Estudios de Economía Aplicada (FEDEA)  
Jorge Juan 46. Madrid.
- Date:** Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> March 2012
- Organized by:** FEDEA (Fundación de Estudios de Economía Aplicada) and IEB (Institut d’Economia de Barcelona)

#### Contact and registration

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