

IV Workshop on Fiscal Federalism: Decentralization: Political Accountability, Corruption and Economic Outcomes

Barcelona, June 30- July 1, 2011

PROGRAM: June 30, 2011 – LOCATION: Faculty of Economics and Business of the University of Barcelona (C/Tinent Coronel Valenzuela, 1-11 - Barcelona)

08:45 - 09:15	Opening address: Jesús Marin (Vice Dean of Research, Universitat de Barcelona); Alejandro Esteller (Universitat de Barcelona & IEB) (Room: 117)	
09:15 - 10:00	Plenary Session: "State Gun Policy and Cross State Externalities: Evidence from Crime Gun Tracing" - Brian Knight (Brown University) (Room: 117)	
10:00 - 10:30	Coffee break	
10:30 - 12:15	<p>Session 1a - EFFECTS OF GRANTS (Room: "Sala de Recepcions")</p> <p>Chair: Marko Koethenbuerger (University of Copenhagen and CESifo)</p> <p>"Stimulating Local Public Employment: Do General Grants Work?" Heléne Lundqvist (Uppsala University), Matz Dahlberg(Uppsala University, CESifo, IEB), Eva Mörk (Uppsala University, IEB) Discussant: Thiess Buettner</p> <p>"Responses to Grants and the Marginal Cost of Public Funds" Thiess Buettner(FAU and CESifo), Nadine Fabritz (CESifo) Discussant: Matz Dahlberg</p>	<p>Session 1b - DECENTRALIZATION & CORRUPTION (Room: 105)</p> <p>Chair: Daniel Montolio (UB & IEB)</p> <p>"Decentralization (Localization) and Corruption: New Cross-Country Evidence" Maksym Ivanyna (World Bank), Anwar Shah (World Bank) Discussant: Stephan Litschig</p> <p>"Deterrence and Rent Extraction: Evidence from a Randomized Evaluation in Brazil" Yves Zamboni (FGV São Paulo), Stephan Litschig (UPF) Discussant: Maksym Ivanyna</p>
12:15 - 14:00	<p>Session 2a – CORRUPTION AND REVENUES (Room: "Sala de Recepcions")</p> <p>Chair: Eva Mörk (Uppsala University)</p> <p>"The Political Resource Curse" Fernanda Brollo(University of Alicante), Tommaso Nannicini (Bocconi University), Roberto Perotti (Bocconi University), Guido Tabellini (Bocconi University) Discussant: Stanislao Maldonado</p> <p>"Resource Windfall and Corruption: Evidence from a Natural Experiment Peru" Stanislao Maldonado (University of California at Berkeley) Discussant: Fernanda Brollo</p>	<p>Session 2b – LOCAL POLITICIANS (Room: 105)</p> <p>Chair: Umberto Galmarini (Università dell'Insubria)</p> <p>"Is it Worth it? On the Returns to Holding Political Office" Heléne Lundqvist (Uppsala University) Discussant: Tanguy van Ypersele</p> <p>"Decentralisation and the Quality of the Politicians: The Political Economy of Task Complexity and Candidate Selection" Susana Peralta (Nova School of Business and Economics) , Tanguy van Ypersele (Aix-Marseille University de la Mediterranee) Discussant: Heléne Lundqvist</p>
14:00 - 15:30	WORKING Lunch (Location: Hall Aula Magna - Facultat d'Economia I Empresa)	
15:30 - 17:15	<p>Session 3a – DESIGN OF FEDERAL SYSTEMS (Room: "Sala de Recepcions")</p> <p>Chair: Núria Bosch (UB & IEB)</p> <p>"Is Centralization a Solution to the Soft Budget Constraint Problem?" Avi Ben-Bassat (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), Momi Dahan (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), Esteban Klor (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) Discussant: Pascale Duran-Vigneron</p> <p>"To Assemble to Resemble? A Study of Fiscal Disparities among French Municipalities" Marie-Laure Breuillé (INRA), Pascale Duran-Vigneron (University of Exeter), Anne-Laure Samson (LEDA-LEGOS, Université Paris Dauphine) Discussant: Esteban Klor</p>	<p>Session 3b - LOCAL TAXATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY (Room: 105)</p> <p>Chair: Albert Solé (UB & IEB)</p> <p>"Electoral Rules and Incentive Effects of Fiscal Transfers: Evidence from Germany" Peter Egger (ETH Zurich), Marko Koethenbuerger (University of Copenhagen), Michael Smart(University of Toronto) Discussant: Lucie Gadenne</p> <p>"Tax Me, But Spend Wisely : The Political Economy of Taxes, Evidence from Brazilian Local Governments" Lucie Gadenne (Paris School of Economics) Discussant: Marko Koethenbuerger</p>
17:15 – 18:00	Plenary Session: "Disproportionate Influence? Electoral Systems and Special Interest Politics in Local Government" - Michael Smart (University of Toronto) (Room: 117)	
19:00	Cultural Activity – Guided Visit to the UB's Historic Building	
20:30	Dinner: "ATN" Restaurant	

