

14th PhD-Student Workshop on Industrial and Public Economics **WIPE**

Faculty of Business and Economics
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Universitat Rovira i Virgili, Reus (Catalonia, Spain)

February 5th 2026

09.15 – 09.30 Welcome and introduction

- Prof. Juan Antonio Duro, Vice-chancellor URV
- Prof. Miguel Manjón, Chair ECO-SOS

09.30 – 10.45 Keynote speaker: Bettina Klaus (University of Laussane) (Chair: Prof. Cori Vilella)

- “Celebrating the famous top trading cycles mechanism: a survey and a recent result” (the recent result can be found at <https://arxiv.org/abs/2508.05340>)

10.45 – 11:15 Coffee Break – Poster sessions

11.15 – 12.45 Session 1: Structural Models (Chair: Prof. Carlos Suárez)

- “The Impact of Political Campaigns on Demand for Partisan News” (Luis Menéndez, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, CSIC and Barcelona School of Economics)
 - Discussed by Alejandro Medina Sandín, University of Verona
- “From Brick to Click: The Competitive and Welfare Effects of Digital Retail” (Adrián Moreno María*, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona and Néstor Duch-Brown, Institute for Prospective Technological Studies of the European Commission)
 - Discussed by Luis Menéndez, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, CSIC and Barcelona School of Economics
- “Pay-For-Delay”: Preventing competition in Pharmaceutical Markets” (Alejandro Medina Sandín, University of Verona)
 - Discussed by Adrián Moreno María, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

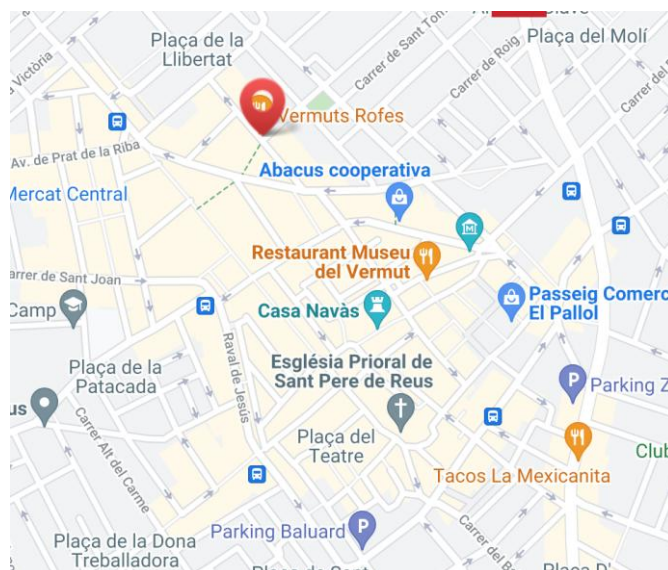
14.30 – 15.30 Session 2: Local Environmental Policy (Chair: Prof. Alejandro Pérez)

- “Do far-right mayors affect environmental policies? Evidence from Italian Municipalities” (Daniel Favre de Noguera, Universitat de Barcelona & Institut d’Economia de Barcelona)
 - Discussed by David Gallegos-Meza, Universidad Catolica del Norte and Universidad de Oviedo
- “Preparing Sport Mega-Events for Low-Carbon Transitions: Understanding Household Consumption-Based Behavioral Change” (David Gallegos-Meza*, Universidad Catolica del Norte and Universidad de Oviedo; Marcelo Lufin, Universidad Catolica del Norte; and Levi Perez, Universidad de Oviedo)
 - Discussed by Daniel Favre de Noguera, Universitat de Barcelona & Institut d’Economia de Barcelona

15:30 – 16.30 **Session 3: Education** (Chair: Prof. Ferrán Mañé)

- “Impact of Educational Attainment on Gender Norms Formation” (Barbara Ama Zelu, Universitat Rovira i Virgili & ECO-SOS)
 - Discussed by Irene Inés Ávila-Gómez, Universidad de Málaga
- “Regional Immigrant-Native Gaps in Primary Education: An Oaxaca-Blinder Decomposition for the Canary Islands” (Irene Inés Ávila-Gómez*, Luis Alejandro Lopez-Agudo and Oscar David Marcenaro-Gutierrez, Universidad de Málaga)
 - Discussed by Barbara Ama Zelu, Universitat Rovira i Virgili & ECO-SOS

20.30 – 22.30 Dinner at Vermuts Rofes Restaurant (Carrer de Sant Vicenç, 21, Reus)



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9.30 – 10.30 Session 4: Individual's Interactions: Subscription Sharing and Multiplexed Networks (Chair: Prof. José Manuel Giménez-Gómez)

- “Subscription Sharing: The Role of the Price-Sharing Rule” (Antonio Pantoja-Rodríguez, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Barcelona School of Economics and CSIC)
 - Discussed by Diego San Román, Universidad de Navarra
- “Multiplexed Network Formation” (Diego San Román, Universidad de Navarra)
 - Discussed by Antonio Pantoja-Rodríguez, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Barcelona School of Economics and CSIC

10.30 – 10.45 Coffee Break – Poster sessions

10.45– 11.45 Session 5: Firm's Strategic Decisions: Location and Size (Chair: Prof. Mercedes Teruel)

- “High-tech firms' location in emerging economies: Evidence from the Campinas Metropolitan Region and São Paulo State” (Keli Araujo-Rocha, Universitat Rovira i Virgili & ECO-SOS)
 - Discussed by Alejandro Gobierno, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona
- “The Impact of Interpersonal Trust on Firm Size” (Alejandro Gobierno, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)
 - Discussed by Keli Araujo-Rocha, Universitat Rovira i Virgili & ECO-SOS

11.45 – 12.00 Coffee Break – Poster sessions

12.00 – 13.00 Session 6: European Markets (Chair: Prof. Yuliya Yovcha)

- “The Market Stability Reserve – Re-establishing a polluters pay principle?” (Yanik Nimtz* and Mercedes Teruel, Universitat Rovira i Virgili & ECO-SOS)
 - Discussed by François Leurquin, Université de Namur
- “Home Bias in Defence Procurement” (Aksel Erbahar, Erasmus University Rotterdam; François Leurquin*, Université de Namur; and Lorenzo Trimarchi, Université de Namur)
 - Discussed by Yanik Nimtz*, Universitat Rovira i Virgili & ECO-SOS

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch break



14.30 – 14:45 **Awards**

- The Chair of the Department of Economics, Prof. Maria Llop, will announce the winner of the best paper.
- The Chair for the Promotion of Firm Innovation, Prof. Mercedes Teruel, will announce the winner of the prize "PREMI-INNOVA" to the best paper on R&D and innovation.

14:45-15.00 **Closing of the workshop**

- Prof. Maria Llop, Chair of the Department of Economics
- Prof. Yuliya Yovcha, Deputy ECO-SOS

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