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### FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

- September 17th-18th: IV REDg
  Dynamic General Equilibrium
  Macroeconomics (DGEM) Casa
  Convalescència, Barcelona (Organizers:
  Juan Carlos Conesa, Nezih Guner, Judith Panadés)
- October 5th: Meeting of the WP 5 and 6
   of the project: The European Spallation
   Neutron Source, ESS preparatory
   phase, Casa Convalescència (Organizers:
   Xavier Martínez-Giralt and David Pérez-Castrillo)
- November 13rd-14th: Workshop on R&D and Technology Transfer, Casa de Convalescència, Barcelona (Organizers: David Pérez-Castrillo and Stefano Trento)
- November 20th-21st: Workshop on Prospective payment and health care provision, Casa Convalescència, Barcelona (Organizers: Pau Olivella-Cunill and Xavier Martínez-Giralt)

### **NEWS**

# CODE IS AN ACADEMIC COLLABORATOR OF "ENERGIA Y SOCIEDAD"

CODE members Inés Macho-Stadler, David Pérez-Castrillo and Xavier Martínez-Giralt have signed a collaboration agreement with Iberdrola, to provide content to the webpage Energia y Sociedad. The website is integrated in the Iberdrola Campus dedicated to the spreading and exchange of information and content related to the liberalized markets of energy. Its objective is to contribute to the analysis and understanding of these markets and to the diffusion of the benefits offered to society.

# CODE ORGANISES THE I MEETING ON ECONOMIC PERSPECTIVES

The *I Meeting on Economic Perspectives: Bounded rationality and individual decision making* was held at CODE on June 25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>. The opening address was delved by professor Salvador Barberà. Nine papers were presented by prestigious national and international researchers. Details of the program are available here)

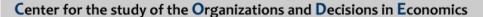
## NEW BLOG ON ECONOMIC ISSUES IN SPAIN

"Nada es gratis, un blog de economía casi siempre en español" (Nothing is for free. A blog on economics almost always in spanish), is the title of the new blog, that intends to be a discussion forum in economics issues. The blog was created on June 16<sup>th</sup> and is in charge of CODE professor Juan Carlos Conesa, Javier Díaz (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid and IESE), Jesús Fernández-Villaverde (University of Pennylvania) and Luis Garicano (London School of Economics). You can participate at: <a href="http://www.fedeablogs.net/economia/">http://www.fedeablogs.net/economia/</a>

### ICREA-ACADEMIA RECOGNITION PRIZE HAS AWARDED THREE CODE RESEARCHERS

Professors Juan Carlos Conesa, Jordi Massó and David Pérez-Castrillo, have been awarded the ICREA-Academia recognition prize. The purpose of the ICREA program is to provide the appropriate incentives to do research at the highest level of quality. Candidates are researchers based in Catalan universities for outstanding contributions to the international scientific community. The ICREA-Academia awards ceremony took place on February 18, in the Palau de la Generalitat, in Barcelona. The prize allocates 250,000€ over five years to support the awardees' research. (Continues)

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(Cont.) The ICREA-Academia Prize, introduced in 2008, is the most recent initiative to consolidate Catalonia as one of the European leading areas of research activity. In this first edition it has been awarded to forty researchers, seven of them in the area of social sciences.

ICREA, the Catalan Institution for Research and Advanced Studies, is a publicly funded foundation designed to attract and retain talent in Catalonia. The institution is highly selective, operating through competitive international calls and very rigorous external evaluation of candidates. Presently in its eighth year of operation, ICREA has hired over 222 researchers in different areas of research, including 22 researchers in social sciences.

As further evidence of the exceptional quality of research supported by ICREA, in 2008 the European Research Council (ERC) awarded fifteen grants to ICREA researchers. Among them, eight are Starting Grants and the remaining seven are Advanced Grants. The grants, totaling more than 800 million Euros and spanning the areas of Life Sciences, Physical Sciences and Engineering, Social Sciences and Humanities, will set the course of European research in the future. The call for proposals resulted in over 11,000 applications for just over 550 grants.

#### **NEW RESEARCH CONSORTIUM**

MOVE (Markets, Organizations and Votes in Economics) is a new research consortium recently created by the Generalitat de Catalunya and the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona. Salvador Barberà has been appointed Director of MOVE. (Cont.)

(Cont.) MOVE has been promoted by CODE. It aims at strengthening and boost the scientific activity of active research groups and promote new ones that will be willing to associate within MOVE's research areas of interest. In this spirit, MOVE intends to provide common services for its researches such as developing projects and raising funds for them, administering and executing research projects, and disseminating the outcome of those research projects. MOVE also aims at hosting a regular flow of long and short stays of high level visitors and postdocs.

Initially, MOVE will start its activities around three main general research areas. These are the economics of science and innovation, governance (including political economy, mechanism design, social choice, and voting theory), and computational and simulation economics.

# WORKING PAPERS & PUBLICATIONS

#### **WORKING PAPERS**

- ¬ BEVIÀ, C., Manipulation Games in Economies with Indivisible Goods, Barcelona GSE Research Network Working Papers 371.
- → **BARBERÀ, S.**, Berga, D. Moreno, B. Individual versus group strategy-proofness: when do they coincide?, Barcelona GSE Research Network Working Papers 372.
- CABALLÉ, J., Alonso-Carrera, J., Raurich, X., Fiscal Policy, Composition of Intergenerational Transfers, and Income Distribution, Barcelona GSE Research Network Working Papers 387.





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#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- **BEVIÀ, C.**, Corchón, L., Cooperative Production and Efficiency, Mathematical Social Sciences, 67.
- **BEVIÀ, C.**, Llavador, H., *The Informational V alue of Incumbency*, Journal of Public Economic Theory (forthcoming).
- **CONESA, JC.**, Kitao, S., Krueger, D., *Taxing Capital? Not a Bad Idea After All!*, American Economic Review, 99.
- **MARTINEZ-GIRALT, X.**, Barros, P.P. Contractual design and PPPs for hospitals: lessons for the Portuguese model, The European Journal of Health Economics (forthcoming).

Complete information about 2009 Publications and Working papers is available here.

### ACADEMIC VISITS

- ¬ Vincent Iehlé, Dauphine Université Paris, April.
- ¬ Reinhilde Veugelers, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, April.
- Maria Angeles de Frutos, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, April.
- ¬ Joana Pais, Instituto Superior de Economia e Gestão of Techincal University of Lisbon, April.
- → **Michael Reiter,** IEEE, the ACM, and the Internet Society, *April*.
- ¬ **Timothy J. Kehoe,** University of Minnesota, *April-June*.
- ¬ Matthew O. Jackson, Stanford University, May.
- ¬ **Guillaume R. Fréchette,** New York University, *May*.
- ¬ **Smuel Zamir,** The Hebrew University, Center for the Study of Rationality, *May*.
- **Wioletta Dzuida,** Kellog School of Management of Northwestern University, *May*.
- ¬ Yusufcan Masatlioglu, University of Michigan, June.
- → **Alejandro Neme,** Universidad Nacional de San Luis, Argentina, *June*.
- ¬ **Neslihan Uler,** University of Michigan, *June*.
- ¬ Andrew F. Daughety, Vanderbilt University, June.
- ¬ **Jennifer F. Reinganum**, Vanderbilt University, *June*.
- ¬ Kareen Rozen, Yale University, June.
- ¬ **Jon X. Eguia**, New York University, *June*.

Complete information about academic visits is available here.