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28-31 July 2009 Universitat de Barcelona: Second Joint Research Design Course. Organized by XREPP, ESTER, Global Euronet & "Centre d'estudis Antoni de Capmany".

2 October 2009 Universitat de Girona: "Energy and environmental economics" Organized by GIEP (UdG).

April 2010 Universitat de Barcelona: Congress "Historical regional GDPs in Europe" Organized by XREPP & Globbaleuronet (ESF)

## **CAEPS** will participate in a European project under the auspices of the FP7

Joan Gil, Senior Lecturer in Economic Theory at the University of Barcelona and researcher at the CAEPS-XREPP and the FEDEA, will lead the UB team participating in the EU research project EUCBCC (EU Cross Border Care Collaboration). Thirteen European Research institutions will participate in the project, which will be led by LSE-Health.

This four-year project aims to help Europe's citizens to make informed choices about seeking health care in another Member State and, if they decide to do so, to ensure that the administrative and clinical processes are straightforward and guarantee continuity of care.

#### Workshop on access, financing and utilization of health care XREPP-LSE

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About twenty papers were presented and discussed at the Workshop on access, financing and utilization of health care held on 23 - 24 April. The papers presented will be published in a Health Care handbook. The workshop was organized by Alistair McGuire (LSE) and Joan Costa-Font (CAEPS-LSE)

#### Presentation of Alfonso Herranz's book: "Infraestructuras y crecimiento económico en España, 1850-1935".

The book, written by Alfonso Herranz, (the new director of the GRGDEP) was presented by Dr. Sudrià, Dr. Bel and Miguel Muñoz Rubio, Director of the Archivo Histórico Ferroviario. The book is the summary of Herranz's investigations on the role of public investment in infrastructures in Spain's growth during the period 1850-1935.

#### A study on the deficit of Catalan public social expenditure, reviewed in La Vanguardia

A review on the study by XREPP researchers Alfonso Herranz, Sergio Espuelas and Alexander Elu was published in La Vanguardia on 23 May. The aim of the research was to identify the origins of the deficit in social expenditure in Catalonia.



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- Jordi Guilera (UB). Assistant lecturer at the Department of Economic History and Institutions is currently visiting researcher at the Instituto de Ciências Sociais (ICS) of the Universidade de Lisboa.
- Sergio Espuelas (UB). Assistant lecturer in the Department of Economic History and Institutions, currently undertaking a six-month research visit at California-Davis.
- Nicolas Boccard and Elena del Rey (UdG). Senior Lecturers in the Department of Economics, are currently undertaking a four-month research visit at the Centre for Operations Research and Econometrics in Belgium.
- Julio Martínez (UB). Assistant lecturer in the Department of Economic History and Institutions is to undertake a four-month research visit at the European Institute in Florence
- Daniel Tirado (UB). Senior Lecturer in the Department of Economic History and Institutions is to undertake a four-month research visit at California- Davis
- · Miguel Angel Lopez (UAB). Professor of Applied Economy is currently undertaking a six-month visit at the University Business School Exeter (UK).

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#### Recent seminars: 4 December 2008

27 February 2009

Daniel Fernando Carolo. ICS. Universidade Lisboa. The Politics of Pension Reforms: What can comparative pension expenditure in Portugal and Spain reveal about southern European welfare performance?

Henry Willebald. Universidad Carlos III, Madrid: "Natural

resource abundant economies during the first globalization:

growth, inequality and frontier expansion"

#### 10-11-12 June 2009

Nikolaus Wolf. University of Warwick. "Trade costs and economic geography in the long run"

#### 19 June 2009

Emmanuele Felice. Università di Bologna: "Regional value added in Italy (1891-2001) and the backbone of a long term picture".



8-6-09 to 12-6-09. Nikolaus Wolf, Associate Professor of Economics and RCUK Fellow at the University of Warwick. He has been Assistant Professor at the Free University Berlin, Visiting Assistant Professor at Universitat Pompeu Fabra Barcelona, and Research Fellow at the London School of Economics. He was recently awarded the **Distinguished CESifo Affiliate Award in Global Economy 2008**. Holds a Ph.D in Economics from Humboldt University Berlin, which won the **Gino Luzzatto Prize 2003-2005** awarded by the European Historical Economics Society for the best dissertation on Economic History 2003-2005. His research interests are Trade and Location, Monetary Policy, and Economic History.



#### BOCCARD, N (2009)

"On Efficiency, Concentration and Welfare" Departament d'Economia, FCEE.

COSTA-FONT, J; COURBAGE, C; MCGUIRE, A. (EDS.) (2009)

"The economics of new health technologies" Oxford University Press, Oxford, UK.

COSTA-FONT, JOAN; MASCARILLA-MIRÓ, O ; ELVIRA, D (2009)

"Ageing in place? An examination of elderly people housing preferences in Spain". Urban studies, 46 (2). pp. 295-316.

#### COSTA-FONT, J; MOSSIALOS, E; RUDISILL, C (2009)

"Optimism and the perceptions of new risks". Journal of risk research, 12 (1). pp. 27-41.

#### COSTA-FONT, JOAN (2009)

"Simultaneity, asymmetric devolution and economic incentives in Spanish regional elections" Regional and federal studies, 19 (1). pp. 165-184.

#### GARRABOU, R.; TELLO, E.; CUSSÓ, X. and BADIA-MIRO, M. (2009)

"Explaining agrarian specialization in an advanced organic economy. The province of Barcelona (Spain) in the mid-19th century", in Pinilla, V. (ed.), Markets and Agricultural Change in Europe from the 13th to the 20th century, Brepols Publishers, Turnhout, pp. 137 – 172.

#### GIL, J; MORA, T (2009)

"The Determinants of Misreporting Weight and Height: The Role of Social Norms" Documentos de trabajo FEDEA 2009-1.

#### HERRANZ, A (2009)

"Infraestructuras y crecimiento económico en España, 1850-1935", Madrid, Fundación de los Ferrocarriles Españoles, diciembre 2008

#### PALUZIE, E; PONS, J; TIRADO, D.A (2009)

"A test of the market potential equation in Spain". Applied Economics, 41, pp. 1487-1493

#### PRAT, M (2009)

"Textile Trade and Trade Credit in Spain, 1840-1913", Financial History Review, 16 (1), pp. 73-94.

#### PRAT, M (2009)

"Between the firm and the market: an international comparison of the commercial structures of the cotton industry (1820-1939)", Business History, 51 (2), pp. 181-201.

#### TIRADO, D.A; PONS, J; PALUZIE, E (2009)

"Trade policy and wage gradients: Evidence from a protectionist turn" CSGR Working paper 258/09



