

PROGRAM: September 16, 2013 –LOCATION: Faculty of Economics & Business. University of Barcelona (C/Tinent Coronel Valenzuela, 1-11 - Barcelona)

09:30 - 09:45	Sr. Lluís Jofre (General Director for Universities, Government of Catalonia) – Dr. Jorge Calero (Universitat de Barcelona & IEB)
09:45 - 11:15	Conference: Dr. Susan Dynarski (Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy & National Bureau of Economic Research) and discussion “Recent developments in the economics of postsecondary education”
11:15 - 11:45	Coffee break
11:45 - 13:30	Chair: Oriol Escardíbul (Universitat de Barcelona & IEB) <i>“Does distance matter? Tuition fees and enrolment of first-year students at German public universities”</i> , Kerstin Bruckmeier (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology), Georg-Benedikt Fischer (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology), Berthold U. Wigger (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology). Discussant: Hans D. U. Fricke <i>“Tuition fees and student achievement. Evidence from differential tuition fees”</i> , Hans D. U. Fricke (University of St.Gallen) Discussant: Kerstin Bruckmeier <i>“Choosing the type of income-contingent loan: risk-sharing versus risk-pooling”</i> , Elena Del Rey (Universitat de Girona), Maria Racionero (Australian National University) Discussant: Sinan Sarpça
13:30 - 14:30	WORKING Lunch (Location: Facultat d’Economia i Empresa)
14:30 - 17:00	Chair: Jorge Calero (Universitat de Barcelona & IEB) <i>“Tuition fees in Spanish public Universities (2012-13)”</i> , José Manuel Roig Cotanda (Universitat de València), Cecilia Albert Verdú (Universidad de Alcalá) Discussant: Marcel Gérard <i>“Cross-border mobility of students and researchers”</i> , Marcel Gérard* (Catholic University of Louvain & CESifo), Silke Uebelmesser (University of Jena & CESifo) Discussant: José Manuel Roig Cotanda <i>“Do reduced tuition fees affect academic achievement?”</i> , Nadine Ketel (University of Amsterdam & Tinbergen Institute), Jona Linde (University of Amsterdam & TIER), Hessel Oosterbeek (University of Amsterdam & TIER), Bas van der Klaauw (VU University Amsterdam & Tinbergen Institute & CEPR & IZA) Discussant: Koen Declercq <i>“Participation and efficiency in higher education with ex post screening”</i> , Koen Declercq (University of Leuven & Research Foundation Flanders), Frank Verboven (University of Leuven & CEPR) Discussant: Jona Linde
20:30	DINNER: "Martina's Restaurant"

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09:30 - 11:00	Conference: Dr. Lorraine Dearden (Institute of Education-University of London & Institute for Fiscal Studies) and discussion “Higher education funding: lessons from the UK”
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 - 13:15	Chair: Oriol Escardíbul (Universitat de Barcelona & IEB) “ <i>The impact of public funding on the competition between state and private colleges in the U.S.</i> ”, Sinan Sarpça (Koç University), Dennis Epple (Carnegie Mellon University), Richard Romano (University of Florida), Holger Sieg (University of Pennsylvania) Discussant: Elena Del Rey “ <i>Financing higher education: a contributory scheme</i> ”, Léonard Moulin (Université Paris 13), Hugo Harari-Kermadec (ENC-Cachan), David Flacher (Université Paris 13) Discussant: Tommaso Agasisti “ <i>Are we wasting public money? No! The effects of grants on Italian university students’ performances</i> ”, Tommaso Agasisti (Politecnico di Milano), Samuele Murtinu (Politecnico di Milano) Discussant: Léonard Moulin
13:15 - 13:30	Closing address
13:30	Farewell drink