

EUROPEAN SUMMER SYMPOSIUM IN INTERNATIONAL MACROECONOMICS (ESSIM) 2014

Hosted by
Banco de España

Tarragona, Spain; 27-30 May 2014

LOCAL INFORMATION

Venue

Residencia del Banco de España
Castillo de los Reyes de Aragón
C/ Reyes de Aragón
43883 Roda de Barà
Tarragona
SPAIN

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Location and Access

Castillo de Los Reyes de Aragón is a pleasant and secluded resort on the Mediterranean coast, 80 kilometres southwest of Barcelona. With direct access to 7 kilometres of beach, the resort also offers a range of sporting facilities (two tennis courts, mini-golf and an outdoor basket/handball court). Car parking space is available for participants' use.

Audio Visual Equipment

A whiteboard, a laptop, and a data projector will be available for participants' use in each of the two seminar rooms.

In addition, 2 laptops (Windows, Office, Scientific Workplace, Adobe Acrobat and Explorer) and 2 printers will be available for participants' use. There will also be a wireless Internet connection so that participants can use their own laptops to access their e-mail.

Speakers should send their final papers and presentations to Amanda Vincent-Rous (avincenrou@cepr.org) by Friday 16 May at the latest. It is imperative that you also bring along a copy of your paper and slides on a USB stick.

Accommodation

Participants will be covered for 5 nights' accommodation in the residence next to the conference facilities. The address and contact information for accommodation are the same as those for the venue.

Participants are reminded that incidental expenses such as the mini-bar, laundry, telephone, or any other service offered by the hotel, will not be covered and must be paid for on departure.

Any incidental expenses should be paid in cash (Euros) as the residence does not take credit cards.

Also, please note that the residence is quite far from any businesses such as shops or banks. Therefore participants may wish to obtain Euros before arriving at the residence. Cash machines are available in Barcelona airport.

Meals

Breakfast, lunch, refreshments, and dinner will all be provided at the conference venue.

Special dietary requests can be accommodated if indicated in advance.

Local Contact

Should you need to contact someone **during** the conference in Tarragona, please contact:

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Directions

Shuttle service from Barcelona Airport

The Banco de España will provide a shuttle bus service from Terminal 1 and Terminal 2 of Barcelona Airport to **Roda de Barà** in the afternoon of Monday 26 May. There will also be a transfer back to the Airport on Saturday 31 May. The schedule may be adjusted, if necessary, after we receive more information on arrival times from the participants.

Monday 26 May:	10h00	Saturday 31 May:	Times to be confirmed
	15h20		
	17h45		
	20h00		
	22h00		

To meet the shuttle service on Monday 26 May:

- Those arriving at Barcelona Airport **Terminal 1** should go to the **Information desk** in the middle of the arrival and meeting area called “**La Plaça**”, which is on Level 1 of the terminal, immediately beyond the baggage claim area used by all flights.
- Those who arrive at Barcelona Airport **Terminal 2** should go to the **Airport Meeting Point** on the ground floor of Terminal 2B.
- **Isabel Santos del Río** (+34-690-996-241) or another Banco de España representative (+34-620-957-901) will stop by the meeting points in Terminals 1 and 2 around the scheduled pickup times to meet those who are waiting for the shuttle service. The trip to the conference venue will last roughly an hour.

Those wishing to use the shuttle service are advised to inform Amanda Vincent-Rous (avincentrous@cepr.org) by **Friday, 16 May** at the latest. Please let us know which bus you plan to take, and your arrival time, flight number, and arrival terminal (if you know it) so we can include you in our checklist of expected passengers.

Alternative transportation from Barcelona Airport

If you will not arrive at a convenient time for the shuttle service, you can take the **local train, called "Cercanías" in Spanish or "Rodalies" in Catalan**, which departs from Barcelona Airport Terminal 2. The trip requires at least one change of train, and takes roughly 1h20 min.

- From the train station at Terminal 2, take the northbound **line R2Nord to Barcelona Sants** train station.
- From Sants, take a southbound line (possibly R2Sud, R4, R15, or R16) to the town of **Sant Vicenç de Calders**.

For train schedules and maps, in English, see [Rodalies de Catalunya](#) (in English) or [RENFE Cercanías Barcelona](#) (in Spanish).

Upon arrival in **Sant Vicenç de Calders**, please take a taxi to the residence of the Banco de España in Roda de Barà. If there are no taxis at the station, local taxi companies can be reached at +34-977-662-042 or +34-977-155-252. The taxi should cost approximately €15.

Reus Airport

Participants flying to Reus (Barcelona) Airport should take a taxi to the venue (a 32km trip).

Girona Airport

Participants are **advised NOT to fly to Girona (Barcelona) Airport**, which is 172km northeast of the conference venue.

From Madrid

Participants coming from Madrid should take the train. From **Madrid - Puerta de Atocha** train station, take the high-speed train (the AVE) to **Tarragona - Camp** train station. AVE trains leave Atocha on weekdays at 5h50, 7h30, 9h30, 11h30, 13h10, 15h30, 17h30, 19h30 and 20h30. The trip lasts 2h30 min. Reservations may be necessary. For information, see <http://www.renfe.com/>. (For English, click on "Welcome" at the top of the page.)

From Tarragona-Camp, take a taxi (30km) to the venue, which will cost approximately €50.

There is a return trip after the conference leaving Tarragona – Camp at 20h33 on Friday, 30 May. There are also trains all day on Saturday.

By Car

Participants wishing to travel by car from Barcelona should take the highway A-7 (south) to Tarragona. This highway is marked on some maps as AP-7 or E-15.

A detailed map indicating the conference venue can be found at the following link: [Carrer Reis d'Aragó, Roda de Barà](#).

Maps and Further Information

--Barcelona's main airport is located in the Barcelona suburb of El Prat de Llobregat. For general airport information, in English, see [Barcelona El Prat airport information](#).

--For an interactive airport map, in English, see [Barcelona El Prat airport map](#).





--For Reus Airport, please visit [Reus airport information](#).

Map of Tarragona Province



Location of the Conference Venue and Airports



-  Reus Airport
-  Residencia del Banco de España
-  Barcelona Airport
-  Sant Vicenç de Calders