

# Conference in Urban and Regional Economics (CURE)

Venue: CEMFI, Casado del Alisal 5, Madrid

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## Programme

### Morning, Friday, 30 September

09:00–09:35	<i>Social Networks and Interactions in Cities</i> <b>Robert Helsley</b> , University of California Berkeley (with Yves Zenou)
09:35–09:45	Discussant: <b>Marcus Berliant</b> , Washington University Saint Louis
09:45–09:55	Discussant: <b>Mathias Thoenig</b> , DEEP–HEC, University of Lausanne and CEPR
10:00–10:35	<i>Urban Accounting and Welfare</i> <b>Esteban Rossi–Hansberg</b> , Princeton University and CEPR (with Klaus Desmet)
10:35–10:45	Discussant: <b>Matthew A. Turner</b> , University of Toronto
10:45–10:55	Discussant: <b>Miklós Koren</b> , Central European University and CEPR
11:00–11:30	Coffee break
11:30–12:05	<i>The Agglomeration of R&amp;D Labs</i> <b>Gerard Carlino</b> , Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia (with Jake Carr, Robert Hunt, and Tony Smith)
12:05–12:15	Discussant: <b>Elisabet Viladecans</b> , Universitat de Barcelona and IEB
12:15–12:25	Discussant: <b>Kristian Behrens</b> , Université du Québec à Montréal and CEPR
12:30–13:05	<i>The Costs of Agglomeration: Land Prices in French Cities</i> <b>Gilles Duranton</b> , University of Toronto and CEPR (with Pierre–Philippe Combes and Laurent Gobillon)
13:05–13:15	Discussant: <b>Daniel Sturm</b> , London School of Economics and CEPR
13:15–13:25	Discussant: <b>Jan Eeckhout</b> , University College London and UPF
13:30	Lunch

## Afternoon, Friday, 30 September

- 15:00–15:35 | *The Impact of the UK Local Enterprise Growth Initiative*  
**Henry G. Overman**, London School of Economics and CEPR  
(with Elias Einiö)
- 15:35–15:45 | Discussant: **Stuart Rosenthal**, Syracuse University
- 15:45–15:55 | Discussant: **Kurt Schmidheiny**, Universität Basel, Universitat Pompeu Fabra  
and CEPR
- 16:00–16:30 | Coffee break
- 16:30–17:05 | *The Impact of Urban Enterprise Zones on Firms' Location*  
**Thierry Mayer**, Sciences Po and CEPR  
(with Florian Mayneris and Loriane Py)
- 17:05–17:15 | Discussant: **Marius Brühlhart**, Université de Lausanne and CEPR
- 17:15–17:25 | Discussant: **Eleonora Patacchini**, Università di Roma La Sapienza and CEPR
- 21:00 | Dinner: Restaurante Zerain (Quevedo 3)

## Morning, Saturday, 1 October

- 09:00–09:35 | *Transport Infrastructure Investments and Decentralization in Chinese Cities: Sprawl vs. Compactness*  
**J. Vernon Henderson**, Brown University  
(with Nathaniel Baum–Snow, Loren Brandt, Matthew Turner, and Qinghua Zhang)
- 09:35–09:45 | Discussant: **Stephen J. Redding**, Princeton University and CEPR
- 09:45–09:55 | Discussant: **Yannis Ioannides**, Tufts University
- 10:00–10:35 | *Charter School Entry and School Choice: The Case of Washington, D.C.*  
**María Marta Ferreyra**, Carnegie Mellon University  
(with Grigory Kosenok)
- 10:35–10:45 | Discussant: **Daniel McMillen**, University of Illinois Urbana–Champaign
- 10:45–10:55 | Discussant: **Holger Sieg**, University of Pennsylvania
- 11:00–11:30 | Coffee break
- 11:30–12:05 | *The Urban Density Premium Across Establishments*  
**Jason Faberman**, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago  
(with Matthew Freedman)
- 12:05–12:15 | Discussant: **Nathaniel Baum–Snow**, Brown University
- 12:15–12:25 | Discussant: **Laurent Gobillon**, Institut National d'Etudes Demographiques (INED) and CEPR
- 12:30–13:05 | *The Influence of National and Regional Density on the Emergence of New Industries in Spanish Provinces in the Period 1988–2007*  
**Ron Boschma**, Universiteit Utrecht  
(with Asier Minondo and Mikel Navarro)
- 13:05–13:15 | Discussant: **Pierre–Philippe Combes**, Université d'Aix–Marseille and CEPR
- 13:15–13:25 | Discussant: **Jens Südekum**, University of Duisburg
- 13:30 | Lunch