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Barcelona, July 16-18, 2026

Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Barcelona

Hours	Thursday 16 July	Hours	Friday 17 July	Hours	Saturday 18 July
		9:00-10:30	Contributed sessions 3A (Room 1025); 3B (Room 1031)	9:00-9:30	Coffee break* - Vestibul at the entrance from John M. Keynes street
		10:30-11:00	Coffee break* - Vestibul at the entrance from John M. Keynes street	9:30-11:00	Contributed sessions 7A (Room 1025); 7B (Room 1031)
12:00-12:30	Registration - Vestibul at the entrance from John M. Keynes street	11:00-12:30	Contributed sessions 4A (Room 1025); 4B (Room 1031); 4C (Room 1029)	11:10-12:10	Keynote - Prof. Hans-Joachim Voth (Room 1025)
12:30-13:30	Lunch* - Vestibul at the entrance from John M. Keynes street	12:30-13:30	Lunch* - Vestibul at the entrance from John M. Keynes street	12:10-13:00	Aperitif* - Vestibul at the entrance from John M. Keynes street
13:30-14:30	Keynote - Prof. Ruben Enikolopov (Room 1025)	13:30-15:00	Contributed sessions 5A (Room 1025); 5B (Room 1031)		
14:45-16:15	Contributed sessions 1A (Room 1025); 1B (Room 1031)	15:10-15:45	PhD dissertation award - Pablo Muylle (Room 1025)		
16:30-18:00	Contributed sessions 2A (Room 1025); 2B (Room 1031)	15:45-16:15	EcoSys journal meeting - optional, during coffee break (Room 1025)		
		15:45-16:30	Coffee break* - Vestibul at the entrance from John M. Keynes street		
		16:30-18:00	General Assembly (Room 1025)		
		20:30-22:30	Dinner* - La Pomarada		

* Coffee breaks, lunches, the aperitif, and the conference dinner are reserved for participants who have paid the conference registration fee and for invited participants.

Conference Access and Registration: Registration and access to the conference venue are via the John M. Keynes Street entrance of the Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Barcelona

Address:

Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Barcelona

Carrer de John M. Keynes, 1-11

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Thursday 16 July

12:00-12:30 Registration

12:30-13:30 Lunch

13:30-14:30 Keynote lecture (Room 1025)

Keynote - Prof. Ruben Enikolopov, ICREA-UPF and BSE. *Socializing Alone: How Online Homophily Has Undermined Social Cohesion in the US*

14:45-16:15 Contributed sessions

1A. Political economy and conflict (Room 1025)

Chair: Carlos Suarez

Anna Nicińska, **University of Warsaw**, Olga Popova (IOS, IZA), Joan Costa-Font (LSE, IZA). *Networks of Privilege? Wealth and Human Capital Effects of Communist Party Connections*

Yegor Albitskii, **Freie Universität Berlin**. *The Effect of Secondary Schools Expansion on Revolutionary Voting*

Sinara Gharibyan, **IOS Regensburg**, Christian Ochsner (CERGE-EI), Monika Köppl-Turyna (EcoAustria). *Gendered Voting After War: Casualties, Victimization and Nation Building*

Carlos Suarez, **Universitat Rovira i Virgili**, Germà Bel (Universitat de Barcelona), Paula Bel-Piñana (Universitat Abad Oliva). *Concrete Threats, Abstract Risks: Field Evidence of Infrastructure Use Under Persistent Political Violence*

1B. Labour markets and inequality (Room 1031)

Chair: Norberto Pignatti

Jaan Masso, **University of Tartu**, Matti Sarvimäki (Aalto University), Aapo Stenhammar (University of Bonn). *Opening Borders: Self-Selection and Labor Market Returns to Migration During the EU Enlargement*

Maciej Albinowski, **Institute for Structural Research (IBS)**. *What Explains the East-West Gap in Part-Time Employment in Europe?*

Gorana Krstić, **University of Belgrade, Faculty of Economics and Business**, Aleksandra Anić (University of Belgrade, Faculty of Economics and Business), Barry Reilly (University of Sussex). *Female Occupational Intensity and Wages Across the Unconditional Wage Distribution in Serbia*

Norberto Pignatti, **International School of Economics at Tbilisi State University (ISET)**, Thomas Dohmen (Bonn University, University of Maastricht and IZA), Melanie Khamis (Wesleyan University and IZA), Hartmut Lehmann (Department of Economics, New Uzbekistan University, University of Bologna and IZA). *Risk Attitudes and Informal Employment in Ukraine*

16:30-18:00 Contributed sessions

2A. Assortative mating and mobility (Room 1025)

Chair: Anna Naszodi

Ana Kujundzic, **International Demographic Inequality Lab (IDIL)**. *Educational Assortative Mating and Household Income Inequality: Evidence from Brazil, Indonesia, Mexico, and South Africa*

Ricard Grebol Jiménez, **Uppsala University**, Margarita Machelett (Banco de España), Jan Stuhler (UC3M), Ernesto Villanueva (Banco de España). *Assortative Mating, Inequality, and Rising Educational Mobility in Spain*

Yuki Takahashi, **Tilburg University**, Chihiro Inoue (Kobe University), Asumi Saito (North Carolina State University). *Does the Gender Ratio at Colleges Affect High School Students' College Choices?*

Anna Naszodi, **International Demographic Inequality Lab (IDIL)**. *Using the Stylized U-shaped Trend as an Empirical Selection Criterion for Homophily Measures*

2B. Macroeconomic and policy shocks (Room 1031)

Chair: Jürgen Jerger

Jovana Mileusnic, [University of Belgrade](#), [Faculty of Economics and Business](#), Zorica Mladenovic (University of Belgrade).

The Impact of Nominal and Real uncertainty on Macroeconomic Variables: Empirical Evidence from Serbia

Olga Popova, [Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies \(IOS\)](#), [Regensburg](#), Bakhrom Mirkasimov (WIUT),

Vladimir Otrachshenko (National Bank of Slovakia), Nargiza Jurakulova (WIUT), Nargiza Alimukhamedova (WIUT). *Do*

Informal Institutions Smooth Well-Being During Economic Hardship? The Case of the Uzbek Gap

Svatopluk Kapounek, [Mendel University in Brno](#), Evžen Kočenda (Charles University), Martin Stachoň (Mendel University in Brno). *Peer Effects in Bank Lending: Evidence from Bank–Firm and Bank–Bank Channels*

Jürgen Jerger, [University of Regensburg](#). *The Digital Euro - Conceptual Issues and Implications Beyond the Euro Area*

Friday 17 July

9:00-10:30 Contributed sessions

3A. Sanctions and trade (Room 1025)

Chair: Iikka Korhonen

Dai Yamawaki, [Hokkaido University](#). *Economic Sanctions and Environmental Investment: Evidence from Russian Listed Firms*

Alexander Plekhanov, [European Bank for Reconstruction and Development](#), Beata Javorcik (University of Oxford, EBRD and CEPR), Wenzhang Zhang (University of Oxford). *Brand New World: The Impact of Trade Sanctions on Firms' Trademark Registrations*

Csaba Weiner, [ELTE Centre for Economic and Regional Studies](#), Agnieszka Głodowska (Krakow University of Economics, Poland), Agnieszka Hajdukiewicz (Krakow University of Economics, Poland), Bożena Pera (Krakow University of Economics, Poland). *EU Sanctions and Visegrad Countries' Trade with Russia: Evidence from Two Sanctions Episodes*

Iikka Korhonen, [Bank of Finland](#), Heli Simola (Bank of Finland). *From Sanctions to Price Surges: The Dynamics of Russia's Import Prices*

3B. Monetary policy and financial shocks (Room 1031)

Chair: Jan-Egbert Sturm

Alexandra Bogner, [University of Regensburg](#). *How do Financial Markets React to Central Bank Communication: A Text Analysis of ECB Press Statements*

Shigeki Ono, [Asahikawa City University](#). *U.S. Monetary Policy Shocks and BRICS Financial Markets*

Michael Neugart, [Technical University of Darmstadt](#), Jens J. Krüger (Technical University of Darmstadt). *Two Crises, Split Reactions: NATO's Military Spending Dynamics*

Jan-Egbert Sturm, [KOF](#), [ETH Zurich](#), Jakob de Haan (University of Groningen), Rasmus Wiese (University of Groningen). *Structural Reforms and the Labour Income Share: Opposing Effects of Financial Sector and Real Economy Reforms*

10:30-11:00 Coffee break

11:00-12:30 Contributed sessions

4A. Green industrial policy (Room 1025)

Chair: Yumiko Nakahara

Andrea Éltető, [Institute of World Economics](#), [CERS](#). *Green or Autonomous? The Challenges and Contradictions of EU Industrial Policy in the Member States*

Attila Havas, [Centre for Economic and Regional Studies](#), Totti Könnölä (Insight Foresight Institute), Matthias K. Weber (AIT Austrian Institute of Technology). *Navigating the Security-Sustainability-Innovation Nexus: First Results of a Multi-Level, Multi-Domain Foresight Process*

Magdolna Sass, [Institute of World Economics](#), [CERS](#) and [University of Szeged](#), Andrea Éltető (Institute of World Economics, CERS). *Green Transition or Green Dependency? Multinational Co-Location, EV Batteries and Developmental Trade-offs in Hungary*

Yumiko Nakahara, [Kyushu Sangyo University](#). *Comparative Analysis of TSMC's Greenfield Subsidiaries in Japan and Germany: A South–North FDI Perspective*

4B. Climate and infrastructure (Room 1031)

Chair: Hamza Mohammad Syed

Marek Folprecht, **Prague University of Economics and Business**. *Flood Damage Simulator A Tool for Assessing Property Risk*

Vladimir Otrachshenko, **National Bank of Slovakia**, Roman Vasil' (National Bank of Slovakia and Charles University). *Temperature and Firms' Performance: Outcomes, Mechanisms, and Coping Strategies*

Tereza Varejkova, **American University**. *Large-Scale Irrigation and Water Use Inequality in South Africa*

Hamza Mohammad Syed, **London School of Economics and Political Science**. *Power to progress: Electricity Supply, Inequality and Development in Rural India*

4C. Historical political economy and political change (Room 1029)

Chair: Won Yong Kim

Julia Zimmermann, **Universidad Carlos III de Madrid**, Gerda Asmus-Bluhm (University of Hohenheim), Andrei Markevich (University of Helsinki), Marvin Suesse (Trinity College Dublin). *Institutional Reform and Revolutionary Mobilization: Evidence from Late Imperial Russia*

Aleksandr V. Gevorkyan, **St. John's University**. *Capitalism in the Caucasus: Comparative Analysis of Structural Macroeconomic Development in Armenia and Georgia*

Won Yong Kim, **Augsburg University**. *Monitoring Costs and Agency Problems in Non-Market Economies: Evidence from Nighttime Light Data of North Korean State-Owned Enterprises*

12:30-13:30 Lunch

13:30-15:00 Contributed sessions

5A. AI, technology and productivity (Room 1025)

Chair: Antonio León

Germana Giombini, **University of Urbino Carlo Bo**, Andrea Bacchiocchi (University of Urbino), Ludovica Segneri (University of Urbino), Francesco Venturini (University of Urbino). *Financial Risk and Technology Shifting: Firm-Level Evidence from the Rise of AI*

Francesco Venturini, **University of Urbino**, Julia Jablonska (ISGH Warsaw School of Economics), Aleksandra Parteka (Gdansk University of Technology). *Artificial Intelligence and Income Growth Divide: Evidence from Global Regional Data*
Vahagn Jerbashian, **University of Barcelona**, Montserrat Vilalta-Bufi (University of Barcelona). *Modern Technology Use at Work*

Antonio León, **Bocconi University**. *Formal Jobs and the Cultural Right*

5B. Institutions, convergence and migration (Room 1031)

Chair: Salavat Abylkalikov

Domagoj Račić, **University of Zagreb**, Valentina Vučković (University of Zagreb), Ružica Šimić Banović (University of Zagreb). *Towards the Political Capitalism Index: Methodology, Preliminary Findings and Implications for CEE Countries*
Beata Farkas, **University of Szeged**. *Dynamism in Integration and Intergovernmental Cooperation – The “liberum veto” Moment of the European Union*

Timothy Yaw Acheampong, **University of Szeged**. *Convergence Without Inclusion? The Speed of Income and Inequality Convergence in CEE vs. the EU*

Salavat Abylkalikov, **University of Regensburg**. *The Great Uncoupling: Economic Implications of the Russo-Central Asian Migration Rupture*

15:10-15:45 PhD dissertation award: Pablo Muylle (Room 1025)

15:45-16:30 Coffee break

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20:30-22:30 Dinner (La Pomarada; for registered and invited participants)

Saturday 18 July

9:00-9:30 Coffee break

9: 30-11:00 Contributed sessions

7A. Markets and state capacity (Room 1025)

Chair: Jean-Baptiste Marigo

Justin Jihao HONG, **Hong Kong University of Science and Technology**, Qingyuan Chai (NYU Shanghai). *Demographics and Elite Persistence: Evidence from China's Fertility Restrictions*

Luca Scotti, **Ca' Foscari University of Venice**. *Market Power and Network Structure*

Jean-Baptiste Marigo, **University of Strasbourg**, Axelle Heyert (University of Quebec in Montreal), Laurent Weill (University of Strasbourg). *When the Prince Is Not Charming: How Gender Bias in Folklore Shapes Intimate Partner Violence*

7B. Media, security and regulation (Room 1031)

Chair: Liis Roosaar

Alina Verashchagina, **G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara**, Debora Di Gioacchino (Sapienza University of Rome). *Media Exposure, Public Attitudes Toward Immigration, and Policy Support*

Maria Siranova, **Slovak Academy of Sciences**, Martin Hodula (Czech National Bank), Ondrej Zavacky (Technical University in Ostrava). *Geopolitical Risks and Capital Flows: Intensive and Extensive Margin*

Fabrizio Pompei, **University of Perugia**, Piotr Lewandoski (Institute for Structural Research, Poland), Wojciech Szymczak (Institute for Structural Research, Poland). *Labour and Product Market Regulation and Vulnerability*

Liis Roosaar, **University of Tartu**, Pille Mötsmees (University of Tartu). *Testing the U-shape of Occupational Mobility in Estonia*

11:10-12:10 Keynote lecture (Room 1025)

Keynote - Prof. Hans-Joachim Voth, University of Zurich. *Social Dynamics and Political Extremism: Evidence from the Rise of the Nazi Party*

12:10-13:00 Aperitif