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BARCELONA WILL BE THE ECONOMIC RESEARCH CAPITAL OVER THE COMING DAYS

The BGSE will bring the world leaders in economic research together in Barcelona

Over the coming days, 680 researchers from over 300 universities and institutions from around the world will come to Barcelona to reflect on the future of economic research

From Monday to Friday 20 June, a total of 680 leading economists from around the world will be in Barcelona to participate in the seventh Summer Forum of the Barcelona Graduate School of Economics, the ambitious event on frontier markets, held annually in the city.

The Summer Forum consists of two weeks of workshops featuring leading economists from over 300 international universities, central banks, and organisations such as the London School of Economics and MIT; universities like Columbia, Princeton, Stanford, Yale, Harvard, and Oxford; and members of the World Bank and the European Central Bank, as well as others.

Among the economists participating in the Summer Forum, of particular note are the MIT professor Abhijit Banerjee, who will speak about the humanisation of the economic network; the Princeton University professor Gene Grossman, who will tackle the subject of the US trade war in the conference on 'Identity Politics and Trade Policy'; the Argentine Juan Pablo Nicolini of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, who will speak 'On the Risk of Leaving the Euro'; and the catalan Jordi Galí, who will speak about the exchange rate within the framework of the workshop on expectations in macroeconomic models.

One of the workshops that has generated a lot of interest is 'Forecasting Political and Economic Crisis', held on 17 and 18 of June, which will involve the participation of representatives from the World Bank, the London School of Economics, Uppsala and Princeton universities, as well as the Bank of Spain and the Bank of England, among others.

In total, nearly four hundred lectures will be given on economic theory, macroeconomics, data science, monetary policy, and economic policy in general. It is a unique opportunity

for researchers from around the world to hear, first hand, from the leading economic research experts in each of these areas.

The Summer Forum will take place at the Pompeu Fabra University headquarters on Calle Balmes in Barcelona. You can read all the information on the website at barcelonagse.eu

La Barcelona Graduate School of Economics

The Barcelona Graduate School of Economics was created in 2006, led by the economist Andreu Mas-Colell with the objective of bringing together the frontier economic research established in Barcelona, and with the aim to compete with the large institutions of international prestige focusing on economic research. It offers three Masters with seven specialized programmes, a flagship summer school, and various training sessions continuously throughout the year.

It has a team of researchers, among which 26 have received research grants from the European Union given by the European Research Council (ERC), and a Scientific Board made up of 30 reputable economists from all over the world, 11 of which are winners of the Nobel Prize for Economics. The school is based in two campuses: the Ciutadella Campus of the UPF and the UAB Campus in Bellaterra, and it is lead by the economist Teresa Garcia-Milà.

According to the international ranking of the RePEc (Research Papers in Economics), the Barcelona GSE is the top research institution in Spain, the tenth in Europe, and is among the top twenty worldwide, and on two consecutive occasions it received the distinction from the Severo Ochoa Centre of Excellence in research, granted by the Spanish Ministry of Economics.

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