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Macroeconomics and Reality, 25 Years Later

Barcelona, April 1-2, 2005

Workshop Venue

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Parking space is not available.

More information on CREI can be found at: <http://www.econ.upf.edu/crei>

Audio Visual Equipment

A blackboard, whiteboard, laptop computer, overhead projector and data projector (PowerPoint) will be available for participant's use but must be requested **1 month in advance**.

E-mail facilities will be available at the library.

Incoming faxes, emails and telephone messages should be marked for the attention of:
ANA CANO



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Accommodation

Accommodation has been reserved at the following hotel:

Park Hotel

**Av. Marquès de l'Argentera, 11
08003 BARCELONA**

Telephone: +34 933 196 000

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As agreed, the organizers will pay in advance for up to 3 nights accommodation for participants. However, incidental expenses such as mini bar, telephone or any other service offered by the hotel will not be covered and should be paid for on departure. **Those participants who do not have accommodation funding should settle their own bills upon departure.**

Park Hotel is a three star hotel located in Barcelona's old-town, close to the Olympic Harbour, the gothic quarter and the Picasso museum.

The 91 rooms are all equipped with private bathroom, air conditioning, direct dial telephone, mini bar, colour TV, safety deposit box and hairdryer.

There are no car-parking facilities at the hotel.

Participants requiring double occupancy and/or extra nights accommodation should do so at their own expense.

Directions

Airport to Hotel

The Airport, **El Prat** is located 20 kilometres from Barcelona city centre. There is a regular bus and train link from the airport to the city. Participants should disembark at '**Plaça Catalunya**'.

The nearest metro station to the hotel is 'Barceloneta' (Line IV). If you arrive by bus or by train you can take the *metro* there. Take Line I from 'Plaça Catalunya' to 'Urquinaona' station and switch to Line IV to 'Barceloneta' – see the attached map for details.



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Aerobus

This bus leaves the airport every 15 minutes stopping at 'Plaça Catalunya', 'Passeig de Gràcia' and 'Plaça Espanya'. The journey time is 30-45 minutes and will cost Euro 3.5.

Train

The line you should take is RENFE. A train departs every 30 minutes and stops at 'Barcelona Sants', 'Plaça Catalunya', 'Arc de Triomf' and 'Clot'. The journey time is 25 minutes and will cost Euro 3.5.

Taxi

A taxi ride to the city centre will take approximately 20-30 minutes depending on traffic and the approximate cost is Euro 20.

Hotel to Conference venue

The hotel is located approximately 15 minutes away from the conference venue on foot.

Meals

Breakfast should be had at the hotel. Further details regarding meals will be provided in due course.

Local Contact

Should you need to contact someone after your arrival in Barcelona, please contact:

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About Barcelona

A leading European centre, Barcelona is a substantial, thriving port. The regional capital of Catalonia, Barcelona is officially Spain's second city, yet she retains her historical role as the premier business, industrial and commercial centre of Spain.

After some years of decline, the 1990s have witnessed a great urban revival in Barcelona, spurred on by the hosting of the Olympic Games in 1992. Throughout the city centre, streets and buildings have been restored to their former glory and public services - most notably transportation - have been modernised. Modern Barcelona offers eclectic shopping facilities, from sophisticated boutiques and department stores to offbeat street markets. There's also a huge choice of bars, cafés and restaurants to cater for every taste and purse.

Dominated by flamboyant boulevards and outstanding architecture, Barcelona is a city of civic pride and elegance. The originality and unique identity of the city is perhaps best expressed in the distinctive Art Nouveau architecture of Antoni Gaudí, or Gothic gems such as the Cathedral. The city also boasts some impressive cultural facilities including several Picasso collections. There's also the Fundació Joan Miró, the Museum of Catalan Art and the brand new Museu d'Art Contemporani. Music lovers should be pleased to hear that Barcelona's premier concert venue, the Gran Teatre del Liceu, has recently been completely refurbished.

Essential Sights

Through the work of Antoni Gaudí, Barcelona offers some of the most fantastic modern architecture to be found anywhere in the world. Visiting the Sagrada Família church should be a must for any visitor. This interesting complex of spires and walls can be found some way north east of the Plaça de Catalunya. Be sure to climb the 100-meter high tower and to visit the interesting Gaudí museum inside the temple. The Parc Güell is also a must. This, a sort of Gaudí fantasy land, also contains a museum and showcases some Gaudí furniture. Seeing the world class museums Museu Picasso and the Fundació Joan Miró should also be a priority. Both are excellent showcases of each artist's work. The Fundació Joan Miró can be found at the Parc de Montjuïc, whilst the Museu Picasso is located at the Carrer de Montcada.

If you enjoy shopping, you shouldn't miss Barcelona's famous street markets. The best are the Els Encants, a good second-hand market at Plaça de les Glòries Catalanes; the antiques market on Plaça Nova; and the crafts market at Plaça de Sant Josep Oriol. Barcelona's buzzing nightlife tends to be at its busiest in the old town (La Ciutat Vella)



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and the harbour area near La Rambla. Fashion-conscious revellers should head for the area around Avda Diagonal and Vía Augusta, west of Gràcia, but be ready to pay !

Weather

Barcelona enjoys a Mediterranean climate, with cool winters and hot summers. The average temperature during April is between 10°C-15°C.

Further information on Barcelona can be found at:

<http://www.bcn.es/english/ihome.htm>

<http://www.barcelona.com>

http://www.tmb.net/en_US/home.jsp

www.red2000.com/spain/barcelon/index.html

Barcelona Airport: www.aena.es/homepage.htm



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Local Transport Map



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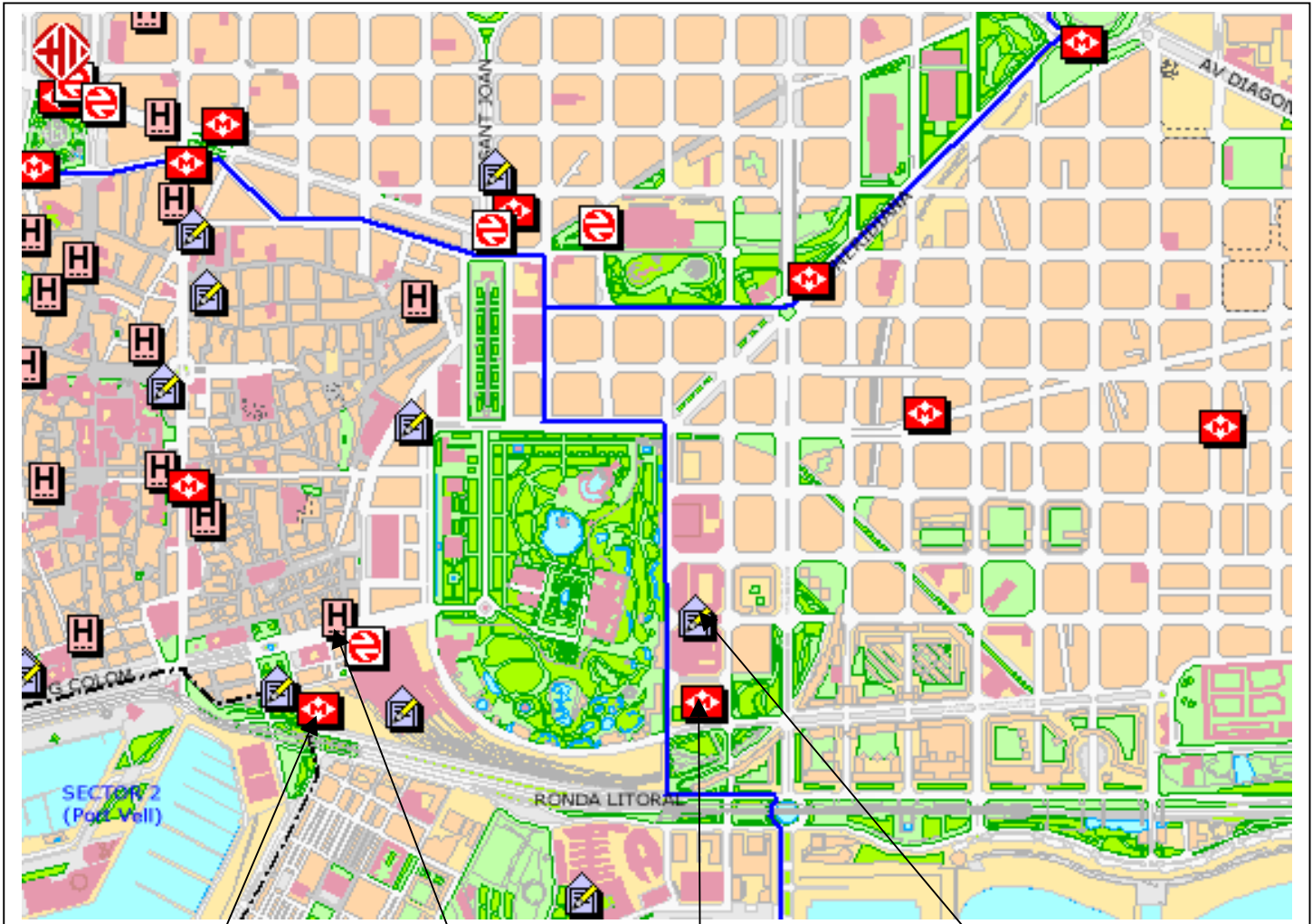


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Location Map



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Barceloneta metro station

Vila Olímpica metro station