

**BARCELONA GSE SUMMER FORUM 2018  
CALL FOR PAPERS**

**Workshop on “Monetary Policy and Central Banking”**

**Barcelona, June 14th-15th 2018**

**Submission Deadline, February 28th 2018**

This call for papers invites you to submit a paper to the workshop “Monetary Policy and Central Banking” which is part of the Sixth **Barcelona GSE Summer Forum**. The Summer Forum is a series of independent workshops that cover the main fields of Economics. More detailed information on the Summer Forum 2018 and the previous editions is available on <http://www.barcelonagse.eu/summer-forum.html>

The purpose of the workshop is to discuss a selected number of research papers focusing on the study of monetary policy and other central bank policies. Suitable topics include (but are not restricted to):

- The role played by agents’ heterogeneity and financial frictions
- The challenges imposed by a zero lower bound on interest rates
- International dimensions of central bank policies
- The role of central bank communication
- The design of monetary policies
- Central banks’ decision-making

We welcome theoretical, empirical and quantitative papers. The workshop will run for two days, with contributed sessions and possibly a poster session.

The **guest speakers** will be Pierpaolo Benigno (LUISS Guido Carli), Lawrence Christiano (Northestern University) and David López-Salido (Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve).

The workshop organization will be able to cover accommodation expenses, according to specified guidelines. Limited funding may also be available to partially cover travel costs for junior researchers who lack alternative funding sources.

To submit a paper, please use this link <https://app-summerforum.barcelonagse.eu>. Submissions should be made **by February 28<sup>th</sup> 2018**, and include either a full paper or an extended abstract with the main results. Authors chosen to present papers will be notified approximately by mid-March. Please note that the Barcelona Summer Forum is a series of independent workshops. **The same paper cannot be submitted to more than one workshop but you are welcome to submit a different paper to another workshop.**

This year’s venue of the Summer Forum is the [Casa de Convalescència](#), an impressive example of Catalan Modernist architecture within the complex of the former Hospital de la Santa Creu i Sant Pau, now housing the central Barcelona campus of Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (UAB).

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