



BARCELONA SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS SUMMER FORUM 2025 CALL FOR PAPERS

The Barcelona School of Economics (BSE) organizes the twelfth BSE Summer Forum. The Summer Forum is a series of independent workshops that cover the main fields of Economics. The Summer Forum 2025 will take place from June 3 to June 20, 2025. The venue will be [Casa Convalescència](#) in central Barcelona.

More detailed information on the Summer Forum 2025 and the previous editions is available on <https://bse.eu/summer-forum>

We would like to invite you to submit a paper to the workshop:

POLITICAL ECONOMY

The workshop will run for two full days and will take place on **June 16-17, 2025**, in Barcelona.

This workshop focuses on the causes and effects of political institutions, and the behavior of voters and politicians facing different constraints, incentives and information. We encourage submissions of theoretical and empirical papers from economics and political science addressing questions including:

- How do political institutions promote or hinder economic development?
- Why do particular sets of political institutions emerge and persist?
- How do transparency and accountability affect politicians' incentives?
- How do voters react to information, and to what effect?
- What is the impact of different electoral systems on policy choices?

The workshop is proposed as a continuation of the workshop organized under the same title in 2024 and of the two workshops on Political Institutions and on the Economic Analysis of Electoral Politics organized within the Summer Forum in 2013-2019. Earlier editions counted with the participation of prominent scholars from all around the world, including Fernanda Brollo (IMF), Robin Burgess (LSE), Katherine Casey (Stanford), Allan Drazen (Maryland), Oeindrila Dube (Chicago), Patricia Funk (USI), Matthew Gentzkow (Stanford), Gene Grossman (Princeton), Benjamin Olken (MIT), Gerard Padro-i-Miquel (Yale) Rohini Pande (Yale), Imran Rasul (UCL), Mark Rosenzweig (Yale), Kenneth Scheve (Stanford), James Snyder (Harvard) and Jaya Wen (HBS), among others.



The workshop will feature about twelve papers plus a keynote address. Each presentation will last for 55 minutes, including comments from the audience. Participants are welcome to stay for other workshops that will take place during the Summer Forum.

The deadline for submissions is **February 28, 2025**. To submit a paper, please use this link <https://app-summerforum.bse.eu/>. Submissions should preferably include a full paper, though an extended abstract with the main results is also acceptable. The submission of coauthored papers should be made **by the author intending to attend** the workshop and present. Authors chosen to present papers will be notified approximately by the end of March. A preliminary program will be announced by the end of April.

Please note that the BSE Summer Forum is a series of independent workshops. When you submit your paper, you will be able to see the topics and dates of all workshops that will take place within the Summer Forum. **The same paper cannot be submitted to more than one workshop**, but you are welcome to submit another paper to the same workshop or to a different one.

There is no registration fee, and meals during the workshop will be provided for participants. The workshop organization **will be able to cover travel and accommodation expenses for a selected number of researchers** (especially juniors) who don't have alternative sources of funding and according to specified guidelines.

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