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1) COSME at the 2015 Meetings of the Spanish Economic Association

The annual meeting of the Spanish Economic Association (SAEe) takes place in Girona this year. Several sessions of the scientific program receive the additional title of "COSME Session". Every paper presented in these sessions follows the same evaluation process as the rest. The COSME Sessions this year are the following:

Session 13: COSME: Discriminatory Behavior

December 19, 11:30-13:00

Session Chair: Libertad González, Universitat Pompeu Fabra

"Consequences of Emergency Contraception Availability: Evidence from Chile"

By Ana Nuevo-Chiquero; University of Sheffield Francisco Pino; Université Libre de Bruxelles

"Maternal Mortality and Female Life Expectancy: The Importance of Gender Inequality"

By Joseph Gomes; University of Essex Sonia Bhalotra; University of Essex UK Damian Clarke; The University of Oxford

"Female Empowerment and Firm Performance: The Introduction of Female Suffrage in Switzerland"

By Jörg Stahl; Universitat Pompeu Fabra

"Missing girls in Spain"

By Libertad González; Universitat Pompeu Fabra

Session 36: COSME: Male and Female Competitive Behavior

December 10, 18:00 to 19:30

Session Chair: Javier Gardeazabal, University of the Basque Country UPV/EHU

"Status Anxiety Makes Women Underperform"

By Arthur Schram; Amsterdam School of Economics

Jordi Brandts; Barcelona GSE

Klarita Gërxhani; University of Amsterdam

"Gender Gap as Competitive Pressure Increases: Evidence from a Two-Stage Competition in Mathematics"

By Nagore Iriberri; University of the Basque Country Pedro Rey-Biel; Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona "Are Multiple-Choice Tests gender-neutral?" By María Paz Espinosa; University of the Basque Country UPV/EHU Javier Gardeazabal; University of the Basque Country UPV/EHU

Session 42: COSME: Gender Gaps in the Labor Market

December 11, 2015 9:00 to 11:00

Session Chair: Eva Ferreira

"Decomposition Methods with Censored Data and a Study of the Gender Unemployment Duration Gap"

By Andrés García-Suaza; Universidad Carlos III - Universidad del Rosario

"Gender Differentials in Unemployment Ins and Outs during the Great Recession" By Sara De la Rica; University of the Basque Country; FEDEA Yolanda F. Rebollo-Sanz; Universidad Pablo de Olavide

"Aggregate effects of gender gaps in the labor market: a quantitative estimate" By Marc Teignier; Universitat de Barcelona David Cuberes; Clark University

"Gender gap dynamics and glass ceilings" By María Paz Espinosa; Universidad del País Vasco Eva Ferreira

Session 61: COSME: Marriage, Partnership and Divorce Institutions

December 11, 15:30 to 17:00

Session Chair: Raquel Carrasco, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

"Is Marriage a White Institution? Understanding the Racial Marriage Divide" By Christopher Rauh; University of Cambridge Nezih Guner; ICREA-MOVE, UAB and Barcelona GSE Elizabeth Caucutt; University of Western Ontario

"Regional Unemployment, Marriage and Divorce"
By Rafael González-Val; Universidad de Zaragoza & Institut d'Economia de Barcelona (IEB)
Miriam Marcén; Universidad de Zaragoza

"Leaving Home with a Partner"

By Samuel Bentolila; CEMFI

Ildefonso Mendez; University of Murcia

Francisco Maeso-Fernandez; Universidad de Murcia

"Does the Breadwinner's Gender Matter? Employment and the Risk of Domestic Violence" By Cesar Alonso-Borrego; Universidad Carlos III de Madrid Raquel Carrasco; Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

2) COSME Gender Economics Workshop 2016

The 9th COSME Gender Economics Workshop (GEW) will take place on May 26-27, 2016 at Ramón Areces Foundation in Vitruvio 5, Madrid (Spain). COSME is a subcommittee of the Spanish Economic Association that evaluates and promotes the situation of women economists in academia. The workshop aims to provide researchers with a forum for presenting and discussing research on gender economics.

Submissions: Both theoretical and empirical papers are welcome. Preference will be given, conditional on quality, to authors who have not presented in the last meeting. The workshop will include about 10 presentations. The keynote speakers will be **Claudia Olivetti** (Boston College) and **Sara de la Rica** (Universidad del País Vasco).

Please use this <u>link</u> *for submissions* before **January 30, 2016**. Only one submission per author is permitted. Decisions of acceptance or rejection will be sent out no later than March 2, 2016.

Registration: There are no registration fees, but participants should cover their own travel and accommodation expenses. There may be limited funds to partially cover accommodation expenses of some participants. Please, let us know if you require any funding.

There are a limited number of places for non-presenters, allocated on a first come, first served *basis*. Please, contact us at **cosme@genderworkshop.com** to confirm your attendance.

More information: Please see http://www.genderworkshop.com/en/ for continuously updated information.

3) WinE Mentoring Retreats 2015 and 2016

After the extremely successful WinE Mentoring and Networking workshops for junior female economists held in 2013 (Gothenburg) and 2014 (Toulouse), the 3rd WinE Mentoring Retreat took place before the EEA annual congress in Mannheim in August and was attended by 60 junior female economists, the majority being based in Europe. The workshop had a similar format to that of 2013 and 2014, with sessions on topics such as publishing, grant writing, networking and work/life balance on the first day, followed by a networking reception. On the second day smaller sessions were arranged by research field and were led by senior mentors who gave participants specific feedback on their research and career planning.

The WinE Committee is pleased to announce that the fourth retreat will be held in connection with EEA-ESEM Geneva 2016. The Retreat will be once again open to early career female economists with positions (post-doctoral fellows, lecturers, researchers) at academic and research institutions and who obtained their PhDs between 2011 and 2016 (we will also consider applicants who expect to obtain their PhD at a later date but who have already secured a position for the next academic year at a different institution from their PhD granting one).

The format will be similar to the past three years and the attendees will participate in a series of innovative discussions organized as panels and as smaller groups run by senior mentors. A number of attendees will also take part in the small group sessions, which will focus on participants' research papers and provide an opportunity for detailed comment and feedback from senior mentors in their field. There will also be many opportunities for the attendees to socialise with each other and their mentors during this event.

Applications for the Retreat will be open from shortly so please visit here for further information. If you wish to learn a little more about the WinE Retreat, I recommend that you take a look at the short film that can be found here.