



Chaire Bernard Van Ommeslaghe Conference

Emerging Competition Issues in the Procurement of Infrastructure Services

Brussels, February 12 and 13, 2009

44, av. Jeanne – 1050 Bruxelles – ground floor (Salle Baugniet)

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PROGRAM

Thursday, February 12, 2009

- 13.30-14.00 *Welcoming coffee (and signing up)*
- 14.00-14.30 **Opening Remarks:** Antonio Estache (ECARES, Université Libre de Bruxelles)
- 14.30-15.45 **An Overview of What Theory Has to Offer on Competition Issues in Procurement**
Main Speaker: Christian Ruzzier (Harvard Business School, Boston)
Discussant: Emmanuelle Auriol (IDEI, Toulouse)
- 15.45-16.15 *Coffee Break*
- 16.15-17.30 **Overview of Evidence on Competition Issues in Infrastructure Procurement**
Main Speaker: Atsushi Iimi (The World Bank)
Discussant: Decio Coviello (European University Institute, Florence)
- 17.30-18.30 **Cocktail**

Friday, February 13, 2009

- 09.00-10.15 **Procurement and PPP Contracts**
Main Speaker: Elisabetta Iossa (Brunel University)
Discussant: Timo Valila (European Investment Bank)
- 10.15- 10.45 *Coffee Break*
- 10.45-12.00 **Competition, Performance Monitoring and Quality in Procurement**
Main Speaker: Giancarlo Spagnolo (University of Tor Vergata and SITE, SSE)
Discussant: Mathias Dewatripont (ECARES, Université Libre de Bruxelles)
- 12.00-12.50 Policy Panel:
Real World Challenges in Procurement Reforms
Chair: Timo Valila (European Investment Bank)
Speakers: José Carbajo, Frontier Economics
Andy Carty, European PPP Expertise Centre
Nico Spiegel, European Commission
- 12.50- 13.00 **Closing Remarks:** Antonio Estache, (ECARES, Université Libre de Bruxelles)
- 13.00-14.30 **End of seminar "Sandwich Lunch"**