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**Growth And Sustainability
Policies for Europe**

Public Procurement and Sustainable Growth

**October, 20 and 21, 2011
San Servolo Island, Venice**

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

**October, 20 – Thursday
13.00-13.30**

**Invited speaker
13.30-14.30**

**SESSION 1
14.30 -16.30**

16.15 – 16.50

**SESSION 2
16.50 – 18.50**

20.00

October, 21 – Friday

8.00 – 8.30

**SESSION 3
8.45 -10.45**

**Welcome coffee & Welcome address:
Antonio Estache (ECARES)**

Title: XXX
Steve Tadelis (Berkley Univ California)
Chairman: Paola Valbonesi (University of Padova)

PPP and Infrastructures
Chairman: Luciano Greco (University of Padova)

Iossa E.; Martimort D.: "Risk Allocation and the Costs and Benefits of PPPs"

Hoppe E.; Schmitz P.: "PPP versus Traditional Procurement: Innovation Incentives and Information Gathering"

Benamghar R., Atushimi I.: "Efficiency in Public Procurement and Local Business Development in Rural Road Sector in Nepal"

Blancas L., L. Chioda, T. Cordella, A. Oliveira, F. Vardy: "Do procurement rules impact infrastructure investment efficiency?"

Coffee-break

Collusion and Favorism
Chairman: Tommaso Valletti (Univ. of Rome Tor Vergata, Imperial College Business School) TO BE CONFIRMED

Chong E.; Yvrande-Billon A.; Staropoli C.: "The Auction versus Negotiation in Public Procurement Under Political Scrutiny"

Auriol E.; Flochel T.; Straub S.: "Public Procurement and Rent-Seeking: the Case of Paraguay"

Arozamena L.; Shunda N.; Weinschelbaum F.: "Optimal Nondiscriminatory Auctions with Favoritism"

Conley T. G.; Decarolis F.: "Detecting Bidders' Groups in Collusive Auctions: Evidence from Average Bid Auctions"

Social Dinner

Working Breakfast

Restricted Auctions and Subcontracting
Chairman: Luca Corazzini (Univ. of Padova)

Chever L.; Saussier S.; Yvrande-Billon A.: "The Law of Small Numbers: Investigating the Benefits of Restricted Auctions for Public Procurement"

10.45 – 11.05

SESSION 4
11.05 -13.15

Coviello D., Guglielmo A., Spagnolo G.: *“Open vs Restricted Auctions in Procurement: Evidence from Regression Discontinuity”*

Miller D.P.: *“Subcontracting and Competitive Bidding on Incomplete Procurement Contracts”*

Moretti L., Valbonesi P.: *“Public Procurement Performance and Subcontracting”*

Coffee-break

“YOUNG RESEARCHERS” Session

Chairman: Steve Tadelis (Berkley Univ California) (?)

De Chiara A.: *“Holding an Auction for the Wrong Project”*

Buccioli A.; Chillemi O.; Palazzi G.: *“Cost Overrun and Auction Format in Public Works”*

Barbosa K.; Fiuza E.: *“Demand Aggregation and Credit Risk Effects in Pooled Procurement: Evidence from the Brazilian Public Purchases of Pharmaceuticals and Medical Supplies”*

Moore J. J.: *“How Well Incomplete Cartels Anticipate Outside Bids? An Empirical Analysis of French Construction Bid-Rigging Cases”*

13.15 – 14.30

Round Table
14.30 - 16.10

Lunch – buffet

Which policies for effective public procurement ?

Chairman: Antonio Estache (ECARES)

Klaus Wiedner, Head of Unit, DG Internal Market and Services, European Commission: *TO BE CONFIRMED*

Andrea Camanzi (*Italian Authority on public procurement, AVCP*):

Sofia Lundberg (Umeå University; Committee of Inquiry on Public Procurement)

Gustavo Piga (Univ. of Rome, Tor Vergata)

16.10 – 16.30

Invited speaker
16.30-17.30

Coffee-break

“Set-asides and subsidies in auctions”

Jonathan Levin (Stanford University)

Chairman: Giancarlo Spagnolo (Univ. of Rome Tor Vergata, SITE-Stockholm School of Economics)

17.30

End of the conference

Organisers:

Antonio Estache, Giancarlo Spagnolo, Paola Valbonesi

Scientific Committee:

Patrick Bajari, Giacomo Calzolari, Juan José Ganuza, Elisabetta Iossa, Jonathan Levin, Claudio Mezzetti, Stéphane Saussier, Pablo Spiller, Steve Tadelis, Tommaso Valletti.

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