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The 25th Conference on Postal and Delivery Economics

In memory of Prof. Michael A. Crew

May 24-27, 2017, Barcelona, Spain

Abstracts Due: December 11, 2016

Papers are invited from researchers and practitioners, including academic and research economists, and staff and managers in postal administrations and express carriers working on economic issues. Possible topics include:

="	Universal Service Obligation	=	Labour economics
=	Standardization	="	Transition from monopoly to competition
="	Public-Private Partnerships	=	Financial viability
=	Scale and productivity	=	Antitrust and competition policy
=	Privatization and commercialization	=	Parcel markets
=	Retail/Processing network redesign	=	E-Commerce and cross border parcels
=	Competitive postal markets	=	Legislative reform
=	Delivery alternatives	="	News services
=	Settlements and terminal dues	=	Innovation and diversification
=	Demand for postal services	=	Electronic competition
=	Digitalization	=	Postal big data

Sponsors of the 24th Conference on Postal and Delivery Economics, May 18-21, 2016 European University Institute, Italy, were: Royal Mail, RR Donnelley Logistics, United Parcel Service, Pitney Bowes, Citizen Advice, Poste Italiane, La Poste, Copenhagen Economics Swisspost, FedEx, Frontier Economics, Canadian Union of Postal Workers, IBM Global Business Services, GrayHair Advisors, FTI Consulting, ComReg, Frontier Economics, National Association of Letter Carriers, Cullen International, K&L Gates LLP, New Zealand Post Limited, An Post, Swiss Economics.

A book is planned, arising from the Conference. Authors of papers selected for the program will be advised on the prospects of publication in the conference volume once an agreement is reached with a publisher.

To be considered for the Conference, abstracts should be submitted at the following <u>link</u>. Abstracts should be received by **December 11, 2016**. There is no guarantee that abstracts received after the deadline of December 11, 2016 will be considered. If your paper is selected, you will be responsible for payment of the conference registration fee. FSR Team will inform you of the Committee's decision in January 2017. Complete papers selected for the program are due **April 23, 2017** so that the papers will be available to the participants prior to the Conference.

Acceptance of any abstract automatically registers the lead author for the Conference. All participants, including persons presenting papers, must register for the Conference and are required to pay the registration fee, except for a limited number of persons from approved sponsoring organizations. The registration fee for authors presenting papers is 1.200,00 Euro provided payment is received by **February 20, 2016**. After this date the registration fee will be for the full-rate of 1.400,00 Euro. A no-cancellation policy is applicable to lead authors of accepted papers, unless we are notified prior to the abstract submission deadline. All participants are required to cover the cost of their travel and accommodation. In the case of full-time faculty of colleges and universities selected for the program, a reduction or waiver of the registration fee may be available.

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