



CALL FOR PAPERS

Workshop **Politics, Information and the Macroeconomy**

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Keynote speakers: Alberto Alesina (Harvard) and Torsten Persson (IIES)

Location and date: Barcelona, May 13-14, 2011

Submission deadline: December 15, 2010

On behalf of the Centre de Recerca en Economia Internacional (CREI) and the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), we invite you to submit a paper for a workshop on the interplay between macroeconomic variables and political decisions, with an emphasis on the role of information. The workshop will be hosted by CREI and funded by the European Research Council through the Starting Grant “Globalization, Optimal Policies and Growth”. It will take place in Barcelona, at the campus of the Universitat Pompeu Fabra.

Topics of particular interest for submissions include:

- Political and economic determinants of reforms
- Information, the media and economic policies
- Politics and the business cycle
- Economic crises and political outcomes

We will accept around 8 papers for presentation in the workshop. Presentations will start on Friday morning and finish at lunch time on Saturday, leaving ample opportunity for discussion among the participants. Travel and accommodation expenses will be reimbursed according to CEPR guidelines.

To submit a paper (or express your interest to participate in the conference), please email Caroline Daniels (cdaniels@cepr.org), attaching a draft or extended abstract of the paper in PDF format. The deadline for submissions is December 15, 2010. Papers submitted after this date or on topics outside the scope of the workshop will not be considered.

More information on the conference will be posted at:

<http://www.crei.cat/conferences/PIM.html>

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