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Cluster 2: Policy and Environment Cluster 1: Transport Infrastructure Impacts and Evaluation

Transport Infrastructures: Investments, Evaluation and Regional Economic Growth

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Call for Papers

Cluster 2 and Cluster 1 of NECTAR (Network of European Communications and Transport Activities Research) together with TRELAB (Transport Research Lab, Roma Tre University) are organizing a workshop in Rome (Italy) on the 22 of March 2019.

The workshop aims at promoting an interdisciplinary approach to transport economics. Transport infrastructures, territories and firms can contribute significantly to our economic development. However, the link between infrastructure and economic growth is characterized by feedback channels, network effects, externalities and spillovers of various kinds, making the analysis at once multifaceted and challenging. These considerations clarify the complexity of the theme and the need to investigate various aspects both theoretically and empirically.

The workshop will provide a unique international forum for researchers and experts in the field of transport, city logistics, economics, planning, mobility, technology, retail, marketing, geography and other relevant disciplines. The workshop aims at developing a better understanding of the interactions with respect to consumer preferences, retailing options, technology, organizational innovations, city planning, policy tools and their contribution to the sustainable mobility of urban areas.

Papers on any topic relevant to <u>transport infrastructure</u> and <u>regional economic growth</u> are particularly welcome. Topics of special interest include, but are not limited to:

- Impacts and evaluation
- Policy and environment
- Local public transport
- Planning mobility and geography

Submissions

Please send an extended abstract (max 750 words) to Carlo Ciccarelli (carlo.ciccarelli@uniroma2.it, University of Rome Tor Vergata), Valerio Gatta (Roma Tre University, valerio.gatta@uniroma3.it), and Cosimo Magazzino (Roma Tre University, cosimo.magazzino@uniroma3.it). The abstract should clearly state: 1) research question and motivation, 2) related literature, 3) methodology and 4) expected results.

Criteria for acceptance are scientific quality of the abstract and NECTAR membership.

A selection of papers presented at the Workshop will be considered for publication in a Special Issue of *Research in Transportation Economics* (https://www.journals.elsevier.com/research-in-transportation-economics) after undergoing a standard peer review process.

Practical details can be found at the workshop website (that will soon be online).

Participation and fees

NECTAR membership for the year 2018 (€70 or, for those under the age of 30, €40) is required in order to attend the meeting. Non-members can find details on how to join the association on the 'Membership' page of NECTAR's website: http://www.nectar-eu.eu/membership/.

Important dates

- Abstract submission deadline: 15 February 2019
- Abstract acceptance/rejection notification: 28 February 2019

Updates concerning the workshop will be posted at:

https://sites.google.com/hotmail.com/transport-infrastructures/home

Venue

The workshop will take place at the Department of Political Sciences of Roma Tre University (http://scienzepolitiche.uniroma3.it/) in Rome, Italy.

Keynote speaker

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