

BARCELONA GSE SUMMER FORUM 2017 CALL FOR PAPERS

The Barcelona GSE organizes the Fifth **Barcelona GSE Summer Forum**. The Summer Forum is a series of independent workshops that cover the main fields of Economics. The Summer Forum 2017 will take place from May 31 to June 17, 2017.

More detailed information on the Summer Forum 2017 and the previous editions is available on <http://www.barcelonagse.eu/summer-forum.html>

We would like to invite you to submit a paper to the workshop:

THE DIGITAL ECONOMY: INFORMATION, INNOVATION AND ORGANIZATION

The workshop will run for 2 days and will take place on **June 7-8, 2017** in Barcelona.

Digital technologies have dramatically reduced the costs of storing, processing and transferring information. This workshop will bring together researchers seeking to understand how these changes affect production, transfer and consumption of information. The information may be the output, as in digital journalism and social media, or an input for organizing activities or used for targeting and influence. This year's workshop will emphasize how digital platforms and their algorithms gather and process information to mediate economic interactions, focussing on crowdfunding, innovation, finance, work and the sharing economy.

We are very happy to announce our keynote speakers:

- **Shane Greenstein (Harvard Business School)**
- **Heski Bar-Isaac (the Rotman School, Toronto University)**

We particularly encourage submissions addressing impacts on welfare and inequality as well as creative solutions to the ethical and democratic challenges.

Most participants will use tools from industrial organization, mechanism design, social networks and media economics, but contributions from philosophy, finance and computer science are more than welcome.

We seek theoretical, empirical and conceptual contributions on topics such as:

- Algorithms, Mechanism Design, Finance, Entrepreneurship
- Crowdfunding, Crowdsourcing, Sharing Economy and Work
- Platform competition and abuse of dominance, Regulation
- Privacy, Advertising, Targeting, Discrimination
- Digital Media, Journalism, Search Engines, Online Social Networks

The **deadline for submissions** is **February 28, 2017**. To submit a paper, please use this link <https://app-summerforum.barcelonagse.eu>. Submissions should include either a full paper or an extended abstract with the main results. Authors chosen to present papers will be notified approximately by mid-March. A preliminary program will be announced by mid-April.

Please note that the Barcelona Summer Forum is a series of independent workshops. When you submit your paper, you will be able to see the topics and dates of other workshops that will take place within the Summer Forum. **The same paper cannot be submitted to more than one workshop but you are welcome to submit a different paper to another workshop.**

The workshop organization will not be able to cover the accommodation or travel support for speakers. Limited funding will only be available to partially cover travel costs for junior researchers without alternative funding; prior approval is required.

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