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4TH Conference on the Regulation of Infrastructures

REGULATING NETWORK INDUSTRIES IN EMERGING COUNTRIES

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■ CONTEXT

The de- and re-regulation of the different network industries is an ongoing process at the global level. As this process unfolds, ever new phenomena emerge, which generally call for more, rather than less regulatory intervention. Yet, the question about the right mixture between market, economic, technical and social regulation remains wide open in all the network industries.

The question becomes even more challenging when looking at infrastructure development in different regions as, at least in some of the network industries, the gap between regulatory assets in different countries is very wide. Most of the European countries have a long lasting story of national regulation and have then started to put considerable effort in harmonising their regulation at the EU level. Outside the EU, regulation of network industries has followed its own path, according to the necessities of the country or the macroregion. Despite the different stages of network industries regulation, mutual learning processes might be possible and actually welcome, in the light of an ever more connected world.

This 4th Florence Conference on the Regulation of Infrastructures aims at taking stock of the major challenges infrastructure regulation is currently facing, paying attention to the mutual understanding effort that the regulators have to undertake. It does so by:

- looking at the main infrastructure sectors, notably telecommunications, postal services, electricity, gas, railways, air transport, urban public transport, as well as water distribution and sanitation;
- looking at infrastructure regulation from various disciplinary approaches, notably engineering, economics, law and political science;
- linking an academic approach to practical relevance.

Scientific Committee

- Matthias Finger (EPFL and EUI, Director of the Transport Area of FSR)
- Jean-Michel Glachant (Director of the Energy Area of FSR)
- Leigh Hancher (Director of the EU Energy Law & Policy Area)
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- Ignacio Pérez-Arriaga (MIT, Comillas and EUI, Director of the Energy Training of FSR)
- Stéphane Saussier (IAE de Paris and FSR, Director of the Water Area of FSR)

COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA

- Christian Jaag*, Jose Parra Moyano, Urs Trinkner Postal strategies for a digital age
- Riham Ahmed Ezzat*, Carlo Cambini, Carine Staropoli: Do regulatory reform dynamics matter for telecom sector performance? Evidence from MENA countries
- Fuat Oğuz, **Erman Benli***: Fixed-Mobile Substitution in Telecommunications: A Comparative Analysis of the Recent Turkish Experience
- Maria Luisa Stasi, The role of non -State actors in the regulatory reform outside the EU

ENERGY

- Günter Knieps*: The evolution of smart grids and the increasing need for disaggregated nodal pricing
- Joseph P. Tomain*: The Democratization of Energy
- Jesse Jenkins, **Ashwini Bharatkumar***, Scott Burger, Jose Ignacio Pérez-Arriaga: Redesigning the Regulation of Electricity Distribution Under High Penetration of Distributed Energy Resources
- Alexis Meletiou*, Carlo Cambini, Ettore Bompard, Marcelo Masera: Regulatory reforms for incentivizing the investments in innovative Smart Grid projects in Europe: Best practices from EU member state cases

TRANSPORT

- Jason Monios*, Rickard Bergqvist: Developing a Framework for Standardising and Harmonising Intermodal Terminal Concession Contracts
- Edson Gonçalves*, Patrícia Sampaio, Joisa Dutra, Mariam Daychoum: Regulatory reform in the Brazilian railway sector and its potential effects
- Valerio Benedetto*, Chris Nash, Andrew Smith: Rail regulation in Europe: an industry-based survey
- · Joanna Piechucka*: Regulatory contracts and cost efficiency the French urban public transport case

WATER

- Alexandre Mayol*, Simon Porcher: An empirical study of French water distribution: performance and efficiency measures
- Ricardo Ferreira Reis*, J. Gonçalo Ribeiro, J. Miranda Sarmento: An assessment of water utilities efficiency using the Portuguese case

■ Programme

	Conference Room		
08.30-09.00	Welcoming Introduction Brigid Laffan Matthias Finger Jean-Michel Glachant Xavier Labandeira Pier Luigi Parcu Stéphane Saussier		
09.00-10.40	Parallel Sessions 1 Transport session - Room A Chair and Discussant: Matthias Finger - Jason Monios - Edson Gonçalves / Patrícia Sampaio	Energy session - Room B Chair and Discussant: Jean-Michel Glachant - Günter Knieps - Joseph Tomain	
10.40-11.10	COFFEE BREAK		
11.10-12.50	Parallel Sessions 2 Telecommunications and Media session – Room A Chair and Discussant: Pier Luigi Parcu • Christian Jaag	Water session - Room B Chair and Discussant: Stéphane Saussier • Alexandre Mayol	
	 Maria Luisa Stasi 	 Ricardo Ferreira Reis 	
12.50-14.00	Lunch break		
14.00-15.40	Parallel Sessions 3 Energy - Conference Room Chair and discussant: Jean-Michel Glachant • Alexis Meletiou • Ashwini Bharatkumar / Scott Burger	Transport session - Room A Chair and discussant: Matthias Finger • Valerio Benedetto • Joanna Piechucka	Communications and Media session - Room B Chair and discussant: Pier Luigi Parcu • Riham Ahmed Ezzat • Erman Benli
15.40-16.00	COFFEE BREAK		
16.00-17.00	16.00-17.00 Joint Session and concluding remarks – Conference Room		
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