

Residential Training

Summer School on Transport Regulation

14-16 July 2026

Sala Teatro and Sala Capitolo - Badia Fiesolana, Via dei Roccettini 9 - San Domenico di Fiesole (Fiesole, Florence)

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Introduction

The Summer School provides the best opportunity for professionals working on the regulation of transport to update their perspectives on the most recent topics, and to share their views with public officials, industry colleagues and academics, as well as to newcomers to familiarise with the regulatory debates in the industry.

During this residential summer school, you will have an opportunity to dive deep into the main issues affecting the transport and mobility sectors, namely competitiveness, decarbonisation and digitalisation challenges in the transport sector. The programme will dedicate a full day to studying each of these topics, with specific attention to railways and aviation, but also to the main transversal challenges. After completing this Summer School on Transport Regulation, you will be able to answer the following burning issues affecting the transport and mobility sectors:

- *What are the key challenges confronting the European transport and mobility sectors today?*
- *What are the main evolutions of the EU approach to regulating transport and mobility?*
- *What are the main limitations of the liberalisation agenda in light of the new challenges posed by decarbonisation and digitalisation?*
- *What are the main policy and technology tools available to tackle decarbonisation and digitalisation?*
- *How can digitalisation and decarbonisation become better aligned with the EU's market approach for promoting the Single European Transport Area?*
- *How can the EU transport make the EU competitive?*

In addition, enrolling in the Summer School guarantees you a spot at the academic conferences on [Rail Regulation](#) (13 July 2026), [Aviation Regulation](#) (17 July 2026) and [Maritime Regulation](#) (17 July 2026).



Draft Programme

14 July

Day 1 - Market regulation

09.00 - 10.30 Introduction to EU transport regulation

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Steven Truxal | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI & International Institute of Air and Space Law, Leiden University

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11.00 - 12.45 **Parallel Session 1 – Land**

- Vertical vs horizontal separation in railways
Russell Pittman | Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice
- Track Access Charges
Giulio Sitongia | RFI
- The new Capacity Regulation
Juan Montero | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

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11.00 - 12.45 **Parallel Session 1 – Aviation**

- Airport Acquis Fitness Check
Steven Truxal | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI & International Institute of Air and Space Law, Leiden University
- Regulating Slots
Rosario Macario | Universidade de Lisboa
- Airport charges
Cathy Mannion | DG MOVE
- Airline mergers
Jörg Meinke | Lufthansa Group

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12.45 - 14.15 *Lunch*

14.15 - 16.00 **Parallel Session 2 – Land**

- Updates in Public Service Contracts
Stéphane de la Rosa | Université Paris-Est Créteil (UPEC)
- Economic Equilibrium Test
Nikola Stojadinovic | University of Belgrade
- Urban transport
Rosario Macario | Universidade de Lisboa

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14.15 - 16.00 **Parallel Session 2 – Aviation**

What are the main challenges for Reference Period 5 in the Single European Sky?

Discussion questions: Which KPIs could be reviewed or adapted to better reflect the objectives of RP5? How might procedures be simplified to improve efficiency and reduce complexity? What approaches could strengthen collaboration between institutions and incentivize more effective joint planning across the European aviation network?

Koen Millis | Performance Review Board
Petros Stratis | NSA Cooperation Board
Luca Valerio Falessi | ENAC
Ivan Arnold | Hungarocontrol

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16:30 *Guided tour in Badia*

16.30 - 18.00 **Optional Session 3 – Aviation
Economic aspects of RP 5**

Discussion questions: How can RP5 encourage more effective incentives for performance, cooperation, and innovation? What role could modulation of charges play in supporting sustainability and network efficiency? How should RP5 address the evolving balance between CAPEX and OPEX? How to support innovation?

Cathy Mannion | Chairman Performance Review Board
Anna Sawiak | Chairman Polish NSA
Igor Pirc | Federal Office of Civil Aviation
Mariagrazia La Piscopia | SESAR Deployment Manager
Fredrik Eriksson | Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management

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15 July **Day 2 | Competitiveness**

09.00 - 09.15 *Setting the scene*

Juan Montero | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI
Keir Fitch | DG MOVE

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09.15 - 10.40 **Session 1 – Transport Manufacturers & Global Competitiveness: How EU transport manufacturing can compete globally**

How can EU manufacturers compete with globally subsidised players while remaining open? What does strategic autonomy mean in practice for transport manufacturing? How to avoid internal fragmentation that would weaken the EU industry globally?

Maria Linkova-Nijs | ACEA
Pascal Belmin | Airbus
Stéphane De La Rosa | Université Paris-Est Créteil (UPEC)

Roundtable discussion

10.40 - 11.00 *Coffee break*

11.00 - 12.35 **Session 2 – Innovation Policies & EU Funds for Competitiveness**

Why does Europe innovate but struggle to scale? Are EU innovation instruments aligned with industrial realities? How to shorten the time to market and support the first industrial deployment?

Giorgio Travaini | Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking
Iván Rivera | Fundación Ferrocarriles Españoles
Mariagrazia La Piscopia | SESAR Deployment Manager
Jorge Mínguez Cortés | INDRA

Roundtable discussion

12.35 - 13.30 *Lunch*

13.30 - 15.00 **Session 3 – Facilitating and promoting Global Competitiveness**

How can Europe promote the EU's Transport Competitiveness through Exports? What is a proactive Team Europe funding approach? How to leverage Global Gateway for EU transport leadership?

Pablo Mendoza | DG INTPA

Leire Arberas | MAFEX

Marta Garcia Miranda | IAG

Roberta Filosa | AT

Roundtable discussion

15.00 - 15.30 *Coffee break*

15.30 - 16.50 **Session 4 – Simplification of Transport Regulation**

How to prevent regulatory accumulation without additional CO₂ impact? How to ensure policy coherence across climate, industry and transport? How to design future proof rules for multiple technologies?

Achim Baumann | Airlines for Europe

Maria Linkova-Nijs | ACEA

Clement Laloux | Amadeus

Juan Montero | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

Roundtable discussion

16.50 - 17.00 **Synthesis and Concluding Remarks**

Keir Fitch | DG MOVE

Juan Montero | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

17.30 *Guided tour in Villa Salviati*

16 July **Day 3 | Greening**

9.00 - 10.30 **Parallel session 1 – Land**

- Moving freight from road to rail
Russell Pittman | Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice Track Access Charges
- Multimodality – Rail + ports
Thanos Pallis | University of Piraeus
- Financial models for investment in High Speed Rail
Juan Montero | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI
Michele Gesualdi | UIC
- Multimodal Passenger hubs
Elodie Pietroziolo | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

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9.00 - 10.30 **Parallel session 1 – Aviation**

- Aviation NetZero and MBIs

Brian Pearce | UCL

- ETS and SAF

Steven Truxal | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI & International Institute of Air and Space Law, Leiden University

- EU external relations

Iva Savić | University of Zagreb

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10.30 - 11.00 *Coffee break*

11.00 - 12.45 **Parallel session 2 – Land**

- Passenger rights

Valentine Barasz | EC

- Digital ricketing

Federico Catania | Trainline

Enrique Lopez | Trainline

- Artificial intelligence in transport

Elodie Pietrozziello | Florence School of Regulation, RSCAS, EUI

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11.00 - 12.45 **Parallel session 2 – Aviation**

- NEATS, tracking non-CO2 effects

Marylin Bastin | Eurocontrol

- Airport innovations

Giacomo Cattaneo | SACBO

- Manufacturers innovations

Roberta Filosa | ATR

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12.45 - 14.15 *Lunch*

14.15 - 16.00 **Final session**

- General view

Marylin Bastin | Eurocontrol

- Tourism and transport

Nina Nesterova | Breda University of Applied Sciences

- Roundtable discussion

- Closing remarks

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