



First Announcement and Call for Papers

We are pleased to announce that the **XIV Conference of the Italian Association of Transport Economics (SIET)** (www.sietitalia.org) will be held in **Bari**, Italy, June 28th-30th, 2012.

The title of this year Conference is “**Infrastructure, Accessibility and Growth**”. The aim of the Conference is to promote academic debate and in-depth scientific interactions among researchers on recent developments in the field of infrastructure and transport economics and, more generally, of networks economics. Specifically, the focus will be on the role of accessibility, mobility and capital endowment in promoting welfare increases, productive efficiency, social inclusion and economic growth.

Theoretical and empirical papers are welcome on the topics of the Conference and on related issues such as (not exhaustively): transport policy from a micro and a macro-economic perspective; modal and intermodal competition; market structure; financing, pricing and regulation of infrastructures and services; multilevel governance in transport; logistics; freight distribution; innovation; ICT; network industries; tourism; land management; urban economics; specific transport sectors (maritime, ports, aviation, rail, etc.). Proposals for dedicated sessions on specific issues are welcome.

Venue

The Conference is organised at the **Faculty of Economics of the University of Bari “Aldo Moro”**.

Abstracts

Please submit an extended abstract (2-4 pages or 500-800 words) at the following address: siet2012bari@gmail.com. The document should indicate title, author(s), affiliations, corresponding contact, JEL classification and three keywords. The abstract should state clearly the research question, the methodology, the main (or expected) results and references. The abstracts will be refereed by a scientific committee.

Important dates:

Abstract submission deadline: February 19th 2012;
Accepted abstracts notification: February 29th 2012;
Paper submission: April 12nd 2012;
Accepted papers notification: April 22nd 2012;
Final version of the paper*: May 24th 2012.

(*to be included in conference proceedings)

Organised sessions

Those who would like to organize specific thematic sessions can make a proposal to the local organizers (a.bergantino@dse.uniba.it) by the **29th of February**.

Registration fees:

	29 th April	5 th June
Members:	180€ (early);	250€ (standard);
Non-Members (presenters):	250€ (early);	280€ (standard);
Non-Members (non-presenters):	150€ (early);	200€ (standard);
PhD student (<30 years):	50€ (early);	100€ (standard);

Participants are asked to register for the meeting by filling out the **Registration Form** available on the website and send it, together with receipt of payment, either by e-mail (siet2012bari@gmail.com and to a.bergantino@dse.uniba.it) or by FAX to the attention of Mrs. Nella Bruni (080-5049149). For any additional question, do not hesitate to contact the organizers at: siet2012@gmail.com or a.bergantino@dse.uniba.it.

Conference website

A dedicated website for the Conference will be online by **January 30th, 2012** and it will contain more details on the conference (www.dse.uniba.it and www.sietitalia.org).