



The IEB launches the autonomous community financing map

The Barcelona Institute of Economics (IEB) has published the first edition of the Autonomous Community Financing Map. This infographic map shows how the current autonomous financing system has affected each autonomous community from its introduction in 2009 to 2014, the year for which latest published data are available. By monitoring the three steps taken by the system – taxes ceded prior to equalisation, application of the equalisation mechanism (guarantee fund for essential public services) and the application of three adjustment funds (global sufficiency, competitiveness and cooperation)- the map illustrates the changes in the resources per capita available to each community as different funds have been incorporated into the system.

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One in four people in Spain today are pensioners, and at the current rate of ageing this ratio is set to rise in the coming years. The pension system as it now operates will be unable to keep pace with this demographic change. In awareness of this, the Government has recently introduced two reform measures: the first, in 2011, gradually increased the retirement age from 65 to 67; and, the second, in 2013, introduced a new pension revaluation system. The Barcelona Institute of Economics (IEB) has published a new IEB Report entitled, "How can we finance our pensions?", in which three experts analyze the consequences of these reforms and propose further reforms aimed at safeguarding the viability of Spain's pension system. "The latest reform helps make the system more sustainable, but in a way that is inefficient and unjust since all the impact is borne by the pensioners.

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The impact of big-boxes stores opening over the commerce, under analysis in the last INFO-IEB

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The IEB researcher, Gianmarco Daniele, Awarded the Juan de la Cierva fellowship

The IEB researcher Gianmarco Daniele has been one of the postdoctoral researchers who has won the Juan de la Cierva fellowship, which is granted every year by the Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness to promote research and the promotion of the projects of the new doctors. The duration of the scholarship is two years and has an endowment of € 25,000 for each of them.

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Zelda Brutti, researcher in the economics of education, joins the IEB

The postdoctoral researcher, Zelda Bruttih, has recently joined the team of researchers of the IEB. The Italian researcher has a PhD in economics from the European University Institute in Florence and has focused his research on the economics of education and development. Some of his previous research topics have been focused on the mixed results of decentralizing public education and the effects of the brothers in cognitive performance, among others. During his time at the IEB, says the researcher, she will get dipper on the study of the quality of teaching and will initiate new projects to see what is the relationship between the geographic distribution of teachers and educational inequality.

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