

The Florence School of Regulation (FSR)

The Florence School of Regulation (FSR) is a **partnership** between the European University Institute / Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies (RSCAS), the Council of European Energy Regulators (CEER) and the Independent Regulators Group (IRG). The FSR works closely with the European Commission.

The **FSR is a European forum** dedicated to **economic regulation**, where **stakeholders from different countries** involved in regulation (policy and business decision-makers, regulators, regulated companies and academics) can **meet**, allowing to develop **cross-country issues as well as compare national experiences and country specific regulatory problems**.

The FSR covers three areas:

- **Energy** (Electricity and Gas), directed by Professor Jean-Michel Glachant
- **Communications and Media**, directed by Professor Pier Luigi Parcu
- **Transport**, directed by Professor Matthias Finger

and is growing as a point of reference for regulatory theory and practice.

The Transport Area of the Florence School of Regulation (FSR-T)

The Transport Area at FSR is a **group of scholars and researchers working on regulatory matters and on policy matters where regulation plays a role**.

The Transport Area is concerned with **regulation of all transport modes and markets** (including intermodality):

- **Rail Transport**
- **Air Transport**
- **Urban Public Transport**
- **Road Transport**
- **Maritime Transport**

The work of the **FSR-T has started in April 2010** with a successful Forum on **rail** transport regulation (4 discussion events so far). Activities on other transport modes and markets are being phased in at a steady pace: work on **air** transport (2 fora so far) begun in October 2010 while activities on **urban** public transport have started in October 2011 (1 Forum so far).

The FSR-T develops its activities with the aim to:

- **contribute to the development of Europe's regulatory policies** in support of the broader transport policies
- develop such regulatory policies on the basis of **solid intellectual research** (policy relevant research)
- **involve all important stakeholders so as to ensure that its contribution is relevant**
- become a **point of reference for transport-related regulatory theory and practice** in Europe and beyond

Funding of the FSR-T activities -as for the whole of the FSR- is ensured by **donors**, who are regulated or non-regulated companies with an interest in the subject matter, that pay an annual fee and sit on the FSR-T Advisory Council.

The academic quality of the FSR-T activities is guaranteed by a **Scientific Committee** composed of Prof. Ken Button (U.S.A.), Prof. Guido Friebel (Germany), Prof. Chris Nash (U.K.), Prof. Emile Quinet (France), Prof. José Viegas (Portugal) and Prof. Tom Wakeman (U.S.A.).

In addition to the regulatory policy fora, FSR-T organizes **Ph.D. seminars** covering the regulation of all transport modes (1 Ph.D. seminar so far), **workshops for researchers** on specialized topics cutting across all network industries (e.g., a workshop on performance of network industries) and will start an annual **Conference on the Regulation of Network Industries** (CRoNI) in 2012. FSR-T also conducts applied research in the area of transport regulation.

FSR-T: Recent and forthcoming events

Presentations from past events are available on the FSR website: <http://fsr.eui.eu>

Mode/Market	Title	Date
Rail	2 nd ERailTRF (European Rail Transport Regulation Forum) “Performance and Governance in Railway Markets”	23 May 2011
All modes	1 st Ph.D. Seminar on Transport Regulation	24-25 May 2011
Air	2 nd EAirTRF (European Air Transport Regulation Forum) “Gate-to-Gate Network Management”	24 June 2011
Urban	1 st EUrbanTRF (European Urban Public Transport Regulation Forum) “Role, Function and Status of Transport Authorities”	14 October 2011
Rail	3 rd ERailTRF (European Rail Transport Regulation Forum) “Railways- Between Sector Specific and Competition Regulation”	5 December 2011
Post	1 st EPostalRF (European Postal Regulation Forum) “Revisiting the European Universal Service Obligation”	17 February 2012
Rail	4 th ERailTRF (European Rail Transport Regulation Forum)	19 March 2012
Air	3 rd EAirTRF (European Air Transport Regulation Forum)	23 April 2012
Urban	2 nd EUrbanTRF (European Urban Transport Regulation Forum)	21 May 2012
Network industries	1 st Annual Conference on the Regulation of Network Industries	15 June 2012

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