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“Regulatory governance and telecommunications performance,”
- Background of telecom reform and telecommunications environment at the dawn of the reform
- What have we learnt
  Luis H. Gutierrez, Universidad de Rosario, Colombia

“Substitution and complementarities in telecom services use among the urban poor. A case study of Peru”
  Roxana Barrantes (Instituto de Estudios Peruanos Peru)
  Discussion: Antonio Castillo Holgado (Telefonica, Spain)

“Infrastructure, Reforms and the poor in Latin America”
  Antonio Estache (ECARES, ULB, Brussels), Ana Goicoechea (World Bank), Lourdes Trujillo (DAEA, U de Las Palmas Gran Canaria, Spain and CTS, University College of London, UK)

“Mobile vs fixed networks: Economics and regulation, the African experience”
  Laurent Gille (Télécom ParisTech, France)
  Discussion: Laure Jaunaux, Orange

  Alison Gillwald (University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa)
  Discussion: Diane Coyle (Enlightenment Economics, University of Manchester, UK)

“Cellular demand analysis in South Africa: urban versus rural patterns of consumption”
  Farid Gasmi (Toulouse School of Economics, France), Marc Ivaldi (Toulouse School of Economics, France), Laura Recuero Virto (Télécom ParisTech, France)

“Institutions, Infrastructure, and Economic Growth”
  Maria Teresa Ramirez (Central Bank of Colombia, Colombia), Hadi Salehi Esfahani (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, US)
  Discussion: Farid Gasmi (Toulouse School of Economics, France)
“Political accountability and regulatory performance in infrastructure industries: An empirical analysis”
Farid Gasmi (Toulouse School of Economics, France), Paul Noumba (World Bank, US), Laura Recuero Virto (Télécom-ParisTech, France)
Discussion:

“Measuring Broadband’s Economic Impact”
William H. Lehr, Carlos A. Osorio. Sharon E. Gillett (Massachusetts Institute of Technology, US), Marvin A. Sirbu (Carnegie Mellon University, US)
Discussion: Federica Maiorano (Ernst & Young, Greece)

Robert Crandall, Robert Litan (Brookings Institution, US), William Lehr (MIT, US)
Discussion: Jon Stern (City University, UK)

“The Impact of Broadband on Economic Growth: Implication from Experiences in the US”
Lynne Holt, Mark A. Jamison (Public Utility Research Center, University of Florida, US)
Discussion: Stéphane Ciriani (Orange, France)

“Understanding International Broadband Comparisons”
Scott Wallsten (Technology Policy Institute, US)
Discussion: Taylor Reynolds (OECD, France)

“Efficiency of Public Promotions Policies in the Diffusion of Broadband Networks, An exploratory analysis”
Francesc Miralles (Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain)
Discussion: Pedro Pereira (Portuguese Competition Authority)

“Strategic Investments in Telecommunication Infrastructure Quality”
Tobias Veith (Centre for European Economic Research (ZEW), University of Manheim, Germany)
Discussion: Marc Bourreau (Télécom ParisTech, France)

“Inconsistent Regulation, Market Structure and Broadband Adoption in the EU: A Dynamic Model”
Richard Cadman (Strategy & Policy Consultants Network Ltd and ESRC Centre for Competition Policy at the University of East Anglia, UK)
Discussion: Georg Götz (Justus Liebig University – Giessen)

“Catching-Up in Broadband Regressions: Does Local Loop Unbundling Policy Lead to Material Increases in OECD Broadband Uptake?”
Glenn Boyle, Bronwyn Howell (New Zealand Institute for the Study of Competition and Regulation (ISCR), New Zealand), Wei Zhang (Southern Illinois University, US)
Discussion: Joeffrey Drouard (Telecom-ParisTech)