



Combining guaranteed minimum income and active social policies in Barcelona's deprived urban areas

Editorial: "We are living in a year of experiments", say some people, referring to basic-income experiments or pilot projects that are being implemented or designed in various cities and countries around the world. The B-MINCOME pilot project, which combines a guaranteed basic income with active social policies in disadvantaged urban areas of Barcelona, has coincided in time with other very similar projects, especially the one that has just finished in Finland and those that are still being implemented in various Dutch and North American cities. It is therefore no wonder that the Barcelona project has aroused great interest from academic and research institutions, as well as from researchers, bachelor's degree, MA and PhD students, activists who support a basic income and a number of public institutions, city councils and regional governments in various countries. Members of the B-MINCOME pilot project management and research teams have been invited to present and discuss the project at various local, national, European and international events, including academic events and others to do with designing and evaluating public policies. Furthermore, we have also received various researchers and heads of public and private bodies who have expressed an interest in our project and their desire to come and see it for themselves. Here are details of some of the events which we have attended, as well as some of the visits we have received in the two years that the project has been running.

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Transfer of knowledge to political bodies and social institutions

- 1 20/06/2017 Barcelona Centre for International Affairs (CIDOB), Round table: *Ciutats Sàvies i Renda Bàsica Universal. Enfrontant els desafiaments de la Spain desigualtat, la tecnologia i la cohesió social.*
Lluís Torrens:
www.cidob.org/ca/activitats/temes/seguretat/ciutats_savies_i_renda
- 2 10/10/2017 Meeting of the *Green European Foundation*, within its study of Basic Income Schemme proposal.
Barcelona Spain Lluís Torrens and Bru Lain.
- 3 11/10/2018 *European Week of Region and Cities 2018.*
Brussels Belgium Lluís Torrens: <https://cor.europa.eu/es/news/Pages/European-Week-of-Regions-and-Cities-2018%E2%80%93call-for-partners.aspx>
- 4 13/11/2018 Barcelona Resilience Week - Resilience Dialogues. UN Habitat. *Social resilience. Perspectives from Barcelona.*
Barcelona Spain Sebastià Riutort: <http://urbanresiliencehub.org/wp-content/themes/unresiliencehub/>
- 5 11/02/2019 Barcelona Cultura: Biennial Ciutat i Ciència, *Workshop of Social Sciences and Cities: Knowledge, Commitment and Social Transformation.*
Barcelona Spain Lluís Torrens: www.biennialciutatciencia.barcelona/



- 6 8/03/2018 Conference of the Labour General Division, European Commission: Brussels
Integrated social services for activating minimum income recipients: success factors & reform pathways.
Belgium
Sebastià Riutort: www.idss-conference.eu/
- 7 28/03/2019 International Institute for Nonviolent Action (NOVACT), Workshop: *Nous* Barcelona
models monetaris i financers per a les noves economies.
Spain
Lluís Torrens and Bru Laín: <https://rec.barcelona/2019/03/11/jornada-28-de-marc/>
- 8 25/05/2019 Fundació Acció Social i Infància (FASI), 7^a Seminar: *Família i infància: de* Barcelona
la protecció a l'emancipació.
Spain
Bru Laín: www.fasi.cat/jornades/jornada-2018/

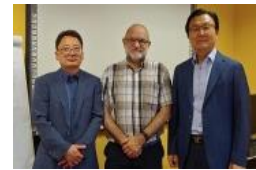


Transfer of scientific knowledge to universities, research centres, students and researchers

- 9 25/08/2018 18^o Basic Income Earth Network (BIEN): *BI and the New* Tampere
Universalism: Rethinking the Welfare State in the 21st Century.
Finland
Lluís Torrens and Bru Laín: www.basicincome.org/congresses/
- 10 14/09/2018 1^o Congres of Universal Basic Income Europe (UBIE). Barcelona
Lluís Torrens and Bru Laín: www.ubie.org/barcelona-here-we-come-first-ubie-summer-school-13-16-september-2018/
Spain
- 11 5/10/2018 VII Congres of Red Española de Políticas Sociales (REPS): *Política social* Zaragoza
ante horizontes de incertidumbre y desigualdad. B-MINCOME: Una acción
Spain
urbana innovadora en zonas desfavorecidas.
Sebastià Riutort, Albert Julià and Bru Laín: <https://reps-zaragoza.com/>
- 12 14/11/2018 Meeting with the “Foro Europa Epsilon Elkartea”, students from the UPV. Barcelona
Bru Laín: http://www.europaepsilon.com/not_europagazteak_ix.html
- 13 29/01/2019 European Commission and Londons School of Economics (LSE). Social Brussels
Situation Monitor Research Seminar: *Social investment in Europe Series*
Belgium
Seminar.
Bru Laín:
www.ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?langId=en&catId=1049&newsId=
- 14 23/04/2019 Centre for Ethics, Politics and Society. University of Minho. Workshop: Braga
Basic Income Experiments.
Portugal
Bru Laín: www.ubiexperiments.weebly.com
- 15 10/05/2019 Master U-RISE, University of Venice (IUAV). *Urban regeneration & social* Barcelona
innovation (in collaboration with Urban Innovative Actions - UIA).
Spain
Josep Villareal, Joan Font, Sebastià Riutort and Bru Laín: www.urisemaster.org
- 16 23/05/2019 Instituto Universitario de Lisboa (ISCTE), DINAMICA'CET. Workshop: Lisbon
Basic Income and Labour Market. UBI pilots at municipal level: the case of
Portugal
the B-MINMCOME pilot in Barcelona.
Bru Laín: www.ubiexperiments.weebly.com/workshop-series--session-2.html
- 17 23/05/2019 Pompeu Fabra University and University of Chicago. Conference: *Fighting* Barcelona
against poverty in Barcelona.
Spain
Lluís Torrens.



- 18 30/07/2019 Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM). The Barcelona Johns Hopkins University - University Pompeu Fabra Public Policy Center. Spain International Conference: *Public Policy in an Era of Rapid Change*. Lluís Torrens. www.appam.org/2019-international-conference/
- 19 19/11/2018 Visit of Mr. Hansoo Choi, Korea Institute of Public Finance. Barcelona Lluís Torrens and Bru Lain.
- 20 30/05/2019 Visit of Mr. BongHa Shin, Korean Institute for Health & Social Affairs (KiHASA). Barcelona Lluís Torrens and Bru Lain.
- 21 26/07/2019 Visit of Mr. Young Seong Yoo, Gyeonggi Research Institute. Barcelona Lluís Torrens and Bru Lain.



Transfer of knowledge to other cities, regions and countries

- 22 29/10/2017 Red Estatal de Ciudades por la Agroecología. Seminari: *Agroecología y Equidad. Garantizando el acceso a una alimentación saludable y sostenible para toda la ciudadanía*. Córdoba Spain Josep Villareal: http://www.ciudadesagroecologicas.eu/portfolio-item/seminario_cordoba/
- 23 24-27/6/2019 Advisory service to the Urban Innovative Actions project: *Future of Work. Jobs and skills in the local economy*. Cluj Napoca Romania Sebastia Riutort and Bru Lain: <https://www.uia-initiative.eu/en/uia-cities/clujnapoca>



As you can see from this list, one of the most notable aspects of the B-MINCOME project has been knowledge transfer, to universities and research centres, to political institutions and public bodies, to NGOs, think tanks and civil-society organisations, or to other cities and regions that have expressed an interest in getting first-hand knowledge about the Barcelona project. To sum up, over 20 knowledge-transfer actions have been carried out, without counting the numerous meetings, get-togethers and conferences held throughout the Eix Besòs area with social organisations, community organisations and associations operating in the area, including the participation of not only the project's technical and management teams, but also, and especially, many of the people participating in the project.

Examples of this include the “6th Community Energy Meeting”, held from 21 to 30 March 2019 in the neighbourhoods of Bon Pastor, Baró de Viver and Trinitat Vella, which B-MINCOME people assigned to the active community-participation policy took part in, or the “Creating Opportunities” meeting, which “Dones amb Força” [Women with Power], a group of women assigned to the policy of fostering entrepreneurship in the social, solidarity and cooperative economy, participated in.

