



**INSTITUT D'ECONOMIE INDUSTRIELLE
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Université Toulouse 1 Sciences Sociales

organizes the

FOURTH CONFERENCE

on

**« REGULATION, COMPETITION
AND UNIVERSAL SERVICE IN THE POSTAL SECTOR »**

Toulouse, March 16-17, 2006

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SCOPE AND OBJECTIVES

(i) To discuss recent theoretical and applied research dealing with competition regulation and universal service in the postal sector (ii). To provide a forum of discussion and dialogue between practitioners and academic researchers.

MAIN TOPICS

- Industrial economics and econometrics of the postal sector.
- Competition policy in a liberalized sector.
- Universal service and competition: cost, extent, financing,
- Pricing and price regulation.
- Services of general interest in a competitive environment.

The conference will focus on issues pertaining to the postal sector. However, intersectoral approaches and studies that draw lessons from other network industries are also welcome.

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

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SUBMISSION OF PAPERS

Potential contributors are invited to return, as soon as possible, the attached submission form. A preliminary version of the paper(s) or an extended abstract, in PDF format, should be submitted by **December 1st, 2005**. Notification of acceptance will be given by **January 15th, 2006**. Completed papers are expected to be available one month before the conference.

ORGANIZATION

- Scheduling:** Scheduled presentation time is approximately one hour per paper (including discussion).
- Location:** Institut D'Economie Industrielle, on the campus of the Université Toulouse 1 Sciences Sociales, Manufacture des Tabacs, 21 Allée de Bienne – 31000 Toulouse
- Date:** March 16-17, 2006

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