

# COSME

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of women in economics

## Newsletter 2024: Letter of Judit Vall Castelló, President of COSME in 2024



Welcome to the 12th edition of our Newsletter. This edition contains very interesting material on the main activities of COSME during this year. Before going into detail, I would like to thank Jan Stuhler and Maia Güell for their efforts in preparing this excellent Newsletter.

As usual, this has been a very exciting year for COSME. On May 27 and 28, 2024, we held the XVI Gender Economics Workshop at the Ramón Areces Foundation, which hosted brilliant researchers from all over the world. We were lucky to have two great guest speakers: Núria Rodríguez-Planas (City University of New York), with the title “Gender norms and the motherhood employment gap”, and Cristina Felfe (University of Konstanz) with the title “MINTful choices; “the role of perceived pressure on occupational aspirations.” The keynote lecture, in Spanish and open to the public, was given by Ana María Tribin (Senior Economist, World Bank), with the title “Mujeres, trabajo y derecho”. The workshop was sponsored by the Ramón Areces Foundation and FEDEA.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all participants, speakers, debaters and sponsors for their contribution and commitment to high-quality academic research in gender economics. For their part, Luigi Minale, Daniel Montolio and Elena Del Rey deserve special thanks for their excellent work as presidents of the scientific committee of this latest edition.

I am pleased to announce that the call to participate in the XVII Gender Economics Workshop is now open. The workshop will take place on May 29 and 30, 2025, and we will have guest speakers Barbara Petrongolo (University of Oxford) and Kjell Salvanes (Norwegian School of Economics). From COSME we encourage you to submit your work using the following link: (<https://genderworkshop.com/en/cosme-workshop-en/>).

It is a pleasure to end the year by presenting the 12th edition of our Newsletter. On this occasion, in the Newsletter you will find an interview with Laura Hospido (Ministry of Economy, Commerce and Business, and Bank of Spain) prepared by Maia and Jan. In the interview, Laura explains the origins of COSME and the reason for the name "COSME ". You can't miss it!!

In 2025 Jan Stuhler will replace me as President of COSME. I would like to thank him for his support and outstanding work as vice president this year. Maia Güell will be the new vice president.

Xúlia González and I finish our term this year. I want to thank the rest of the members of the Executive Committee, Elena Del Rey, Maia Güell, Luigi Minale, Daniel Montolio, Ana Tur-Prats and Laura Muñoz-Blanco for their commitment, energy and time dedicated to COSME. It is a pleasure to confirm that Tom Zohar (CEMFI), Yarine Fawaz (UAM) and Jorge García-Hombrados (UAM) will become part of the COSME Executive as of January 2025.

With this letter I end my term as president of COSME. It has been a pleasure to be able to contribute to the magnificent work that COSME does, and I hope to continue being involved and participating in COSME activities for many more years.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Judit Vall Castelló', written over a light blue grid background.

Judit Vall Castelló, President of COSME in 2024.