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Personal	Born on June 19, 1975. Spanish nationality.
Education	PhD Economics, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid. “Doctor Europeus” degree, 2005. MSc Economics and Philosophy, London School of Economics and Political Science, 1998. BA Economics and Business, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, 1997.
Fellowships and awards	Spanish Social and Economic Council, Research Prize, 2007. Spanish Ministry of Education, Post-doctoral Research Fellow at the LSE, 2005. “Marie Curie” Research Fellow, University of Munich (LMU), 2002–2003.
Current positions	ESCI - UPF, Associate Professor and Research Director (2004–present). UPF Barcelona School of Management, Faculty Member. Public-Private Research Center – IESE Business School, Policy Research Fellow.
Other memberships	UNESCO Chair in Life Cycle and Climate Change, Affiliated Researcher COTEC Foundation for Innovation, The 100 Experts Panel, Member. FUNCAS Regular Contributor.
Past positions	2013–2017 Founder and Academic Director, SpanishReforms project. 2009–2011 Spanish Prime Minister Economic Bureau, Senior Economic Advisor. POLICYMAKING • Policy analysis for the Spanish Prime Minister on competitiveness, internationalization, R&D and innovation • Drafting or assessment of over 60 policy measures and reforms • Coordination of the National Reform Program submitted to the European Commission. REPRESENTATION • Representative of the Spanish Government before the European Commission, IMF and OECD • Member of the Board of the Spanish international trade agency (ICEX) • Meetings with international investors, trade unions, business associations and other stakeholders. 2004 UPF, Dept of Economics and Business, Lecturer in Economics. 1998–2003 Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Dept of Economics, Teaching Assistant.

Work in progress

- One Reform for All? Firms' responses to structural Reforms, with Elena Golovko.
- Biased Advice in Dynamic Consulting, with Markus Reisinger.
- Spending Reviews: Public Policy and Budgeting Process Outcomes, with Yulia Kasperskaya.

Contributions to Spanish economic policy

- *National Reform Programme of Spain 2010-2011.*
- *Informe Económico del Presidente del Gobierno 2010.*
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- *Informe Económico del Presidente del Gobierno 2009.*

Books

Cuadras, X, Puig, J, Xifré, R (2009). *Competitividad y evolución de la balanza por cuenta corriente en España*. Consejo Económico y Social. Colección Estudios, 216.

Papers

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2. Xifré, R (2020). The political value of internal devaluation in the euro area crisis. *Global Policy*, 11(4), 466-477.
3. Kasperskaya, Y, Xifré, R (2020). Analytical capacity in budgetary administrations: the case of the euro area. *Journal of Public Budgeting, Accounting & Financial Management*, 32(3), 379-398.
4. Xifré, R (2020). Eloquent Silence: Civil Service Career Development in the EU Financial Assistance Programmes Conditionality. *Public Money & Management*, 40(8), 607-610.
5. Kasperskaya, Y, Xifré, R (2019). Reform or Resist? The tale of two fiscal reforms in Spain after the crisis. *Public Money & Management*, 39(7), 494-502.
6. Trillas, F, Xifré, R (2016). Institutional reforms to integrate regulation and competition policy: Economic analysis, international perspectives, and the case of the CNMC in Spain. *Utilities Policy*, vol. 40, 75-87.

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7. Serra-Parareda, F., R. Aguado, S. Arfelis, R. Xifré, P. Fullana-i-Palmer, M. Delgado-Aguilar (2022). Techno-economic and environmental evaluation of a market pulp reinforced with micro-/nanofibers as a strengthening agent in packaging paper. *Journal of Cleaner Production*, Vol. 347, 131265.
8. Camps-Posino L., L. Batlle-Bayer, A. Bala, G. Song, H. Qian, R. Aldaco, R. Xifré, P. Fullana-i-Palmer (2021). Potential climate benefits of reusable packaging in food delivery services. A Chinese case study. *Science of The Total Environment*. Vol. 794, 148570.
9. Batlle-Bayer, L, Bala, A, Albertí, J, Xifré, R, Aldaco, R, Fullana-i-Palmer, P (2020). Food affordability and nutritional values within the functional unit of a food LCA. An application on regional diets in Spain. *Resources, Conservation and Recycling*, vol. 160.

Commissioned reports

COMPETITIVENESS, STRUCTURAL REFORMS & PUBLIC SECTOR

1. Xifre, R (2023). Spain's trade competitiveness relative to the eurozone. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 12, no. 1, 55-64. [Spanish version: La competitividad exterior de la economía española en relación con la eurozona, *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, vol. 292, 49-57].
2. Xifré, R (2022). The impact of the COVID-19 crisis on businesses and the self-employed. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 11, no. 3, 63-73. [Spanish version: El impacto de la crisis COVID-19 en empresas y autónomos. *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, vol. 288, 27-35].
3. Xifré, R (2021). An analysis of Spanish exports post-COVID-19: An opportunity in times of change? *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 10, n. 5, 57-64. [Spanish version: Análisis del sector exterior español tras la COVID -19: ¿oportunidades en tiempos de cambios? *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, vol. 284, 53-60.]
4. Xifré, R (2021). Spain's business demographics post-COVID-19: An initial assessment. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 10, no. 3, 15-25. [Spanish version: Demografía empresarial pos-Covid: una primera aproximación. *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, 282, 69-76].
5. Xifré, R (2020). The NGEU recovery package in Spain: Structural challenges and proposal analysis. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 9, no. 6, 15-25. [Spanish version: El Plan NGEU en España: retos estructurales y revisión de propuestas. *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, 279, 11-20].
6. Xifré, R (2020). Spanish high-tech exports. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 9, no. 3, 63-70. [Spanish version: Las exportaciones españolas de alta tecnología. *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, 278, 69-75.]
7. Xifré, R (2019). Opening up of the Spanish economy: Recent performance and pending reforms. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 8, no. 6, 55-66 [Spanish version: La internacionalización de la economía española: evolución reciente y reformas pendientes. *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, 274, 19-26.]
8. Xifré, R (2019). Business dynamism in Spain: Recent trends and Outlook. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 8, no. 4, 61-70 [Spanish version: Dinamismo empresarial en España: evolución reciente y perspectivas. *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, 271, 49-57.]
9. Xifré, R (2018). The role of cost competitiveness in eurozone exports: Spain from a comparative sector perspective. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 7, no. 6, 45-57 [Spanish version: El papel de la competitividad coste en las exportaciones de la eurozona: el caso de España en una perspectiva sectorial comparada. *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, 267, 27-38].
10. Xifré, R (2018). Spanish investment in R&D+I in the wake of the crisis: Public versus private sector. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 7, no. 4, 67-79 [Spanish version: La inversión en I+D y la innovación después de la crisis: sector público y sector privado. *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, 265, 13-24].
11. Kasperskaya, Y, Xifré, R (2018). Assessing the role of Spain's AReF in the context of EU fiscal policy. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 7, no. 3, 61-73 [Spanish version: Los primeros años de actividad de la AReF en el contexto del marco fiscal de la Unión Europea. *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, 264, 71-82].
12. Guinjoan, M, Cuadras-Morató, X, Gironella, A, Ribas, J, Xifré R (2018). Metodologia d'anàlisi de l'impacte del TTIP sobre la Competència i la Competitivitat. Una perspectiva catalana", 3r Congrés d'Economia i Empresa de Catalunya.
13. Xifré, R (2017). Spain's structural reforms: Remaining challenges for budget stability and the labour market. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 6, no. 6, 47-62. [Spanish version: Retos pendientes en las reformas estructurales en España: estabilidad presupuestaria y mercado laboral. *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, 261, 41-56.]

14. E. Sastre (dir.), R. Rebollar, A. Alegret, L. Ayuso, J. Salvador, R. Xifré (2017). *La Dimensión Empresarial como factor de Competitividad*, Instituto de la Empresa Familiar.
15. Xifré, R (2017). Non-price competitiveness factors and export performance: The case of Spain in the context of the Euro area. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 6, no. 3, 55-66. [Spanish version: Competitividad y comportamiento de las exportaciones: España en el contexto de la eurozona. *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, 260, 27-37]
16. Xifré, R (2017). The Relationship between the recovery in Spain's current account and labour productivity. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 6, no. 2, 2017. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 6, no. 3, 55-66 (2017). [Spanish version: La recuperación de la balanza por cuenta corriente en España y su relación con la productividad del trabajo. *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, 258, 1-14]
17. Xifré, R (2016). The World Bank's Doing Business in Spain 2015 report: Analysis and main conclusions. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 5, no. 6, 41-53. [Spanish version: Doing Business en España 2015: Análisis de resultados. *Cuadernos de Información Económica*, 256]
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19. Xifré, R (2016). Spain's services economy: Outlook and challenges. *Spanish Economic and Financial Outlook*, vol. 5, no. 1, 59 – 68.
20. Salvador, J, Xifré, R (2016). *Las reformas económicas del futuro: un nuevo modelo de crecimiento para España*. Fundación Alternativas. Documento de Trabajo 193/2016.
21. Kasperskaya, Y, Xifré, R (2016). Gasto público en I+D+i en España: análisis y propuestas", *Papeles de Economía Española*, No. 147, 92-107.
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28. Estrada, A, Pons, A, Alegret, A. M., Baigés, R, Xifré, R (2013). *El dinamismo empresarial en España: diagnóstico de situación y propuestas*. Instituto de la Empresa Familiar. Documento 169, 2013.

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30. Puig, J, Xifré, R (2009). Umbrals de pobresa e ingressos salarials en Filipinas, Mèxic i Polònia. Una comparativa amb Espanya. *Estudios Economicos de Desarrollo Internacional, Euro-American Association of Economic Development*, vol. 9(2), 25-54.
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32. Cuadras, X, Xifré, R (2007). *Tendències comercials i oportunitats d'inversió als nous països de la UE*. Estudis OME-ACCIO, no. 8 (Government of Catalonia).

Articles on other topics

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2. Mària, J. F., Xifré, R. (2018). Catalunya i Espanya: Entre el Reconeixement i la Negociació / Cataluña y España: Entre el Reconocimiento y la Negociación. *Cristianisme i Justícia, Col·leció Virtual* n. 15.

Working papers

1. Overlooked in the Debate? Non-price Competitiveness in the Five Largest Euro Area Countries. IESE WP-1235-E (2020).
2. Internal Devaluation as a Commitment Device in the Euro Area Crisis. IESE WP-1234-E (2020).
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4. The effectiveness of reforms in public sector accounting and financial management: the case of Spain, 2010-2015, with Yulia Kasperskaya. IESE WP-1159-E (2016).
5. Budget procedures and fiscal performance: evidence from OECD countries in the wake of the crisis, with Yulia Kasperskaya. IESE WP-1158-E (2016).
6. Spain in the wake of the crisis: Reforms or Adjustment? IESE WP-1141-E (2016).
7. Competition and Regulation Reforms in Spain in 2013: the CNMC - an international perspective. IESE WP-1108-E (2014).
8. The Competitiveness of the Spanish Economy. A bird's-eye view of the four largest Euro Area economies. IESE WP-1088-E (2014).

Research projects

AS A PROJECT LEADER

1. SpanishReforms.com. Sponsored by PPSRC-IESE, FUNCAS, everis and ESCI-UPF. 2013 – 2018.
2. Las reformas económicas del futuro: un nuevo modelo de crecimiento para España. Fundación Alternativas, 2016.
3. La internacionalización en la base de la pirámide empresarial española: análisis y propuestas. Fundación Alternativas, 2013 - 2014.
4. Business Creation and Entrepreneurship in Spain (led jointly with Angel Estrada). Sponsored by Instituto de la Empresa Familiar. 2012 – 2013.
5. Innovation, productivity and competitiveness. Sponsored by Fundación Cotec for Innovation. 2007-2009.

AS A PARTICIPANT RESEARCHER

6. CICEP. Circular Economy action in insular regions by adding value to discarded plastics and agricultural waste. Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación.
7. GREENTOUR. Circular Economy and Sustainable Tourism in Destinations of the SUDOE. Interreg SUDOE.

Research projects continued

8. EURITO (EU Relevant, Inclusive, Timely, Trusted, and Open) Research Innovation Indicators. European Commission. H2020-EU.3.6.2 - Grant agreement ID: 770420.
9. CERES – Estrategias de Consumo Alimentario para la mitigación del Cambio Climático hacia una dieta ambientalmente sostenible. CTM2016-76176-C2-2-R.
10. TRABOREMA. Concepts for Integrated Transboundary Water Management and Sustainable Socio-Economic Development in the cross border region of Albania, FYROM and Greece. INCO-CT-2004-509177.
11. Competitiveness and the Current Account Balance (Spanish Social and Economic Council).
12. The evolution of the relative quality of Exports (Government of Catalonia).
13. Successive enlargements of the EU: implications for SME (Government of Catalonia).
14. Strategic Issues in Firm Contracts (Ministry of Science and Technology).
15. Game Theory, fundamentals and applications (Ministry of Science and Technology).

Teaching

ESCI – UPF

Undergraduate: • Business Organization • International Economics • The EU Trade Policy in Times of Changes.

Postgraduate & Executive: • International Risk Analysis • Master Thesis Academic Supervisor (MSc International Business) • Funding the Sustainability Transition and Circular Economy (Postgraduate Course in Sustainability Transition Management and Climate Energy).

UNIVERSITAT POMPEU FABRA

Undergraduate: Strategic Management

UNIVERSIDAD CARLOS III DE MADRID

Undergraduate: • Industrial Organization • International Economics • Game Theory • Advanced Game Theory.

Postgraduate & Executive: Game Theory for Finance and Business.

Participation in PhD theses

“Proceso de Internacionalización de la Empresa Española en China” [“The Internationalisation Process of Spanish Enterprises in China”] by Joaquim Amat Royo. Universidad Camilo José Cela. March, 2017.

Media Contributions

COLUMNS IN VOXEU.ORG

1. “Fiscal discipline and budgetary analytical capacity in the euro area”, joint with Yulia Kasperskaya (2020).
2. “Spain in the wake of the crisis: Reforms versus adjustment” (2016).
3. “No miracles in southern Eurozone without resource reallocation” (2014).

ENTRIES IN NADAESGRATIS.ES

4. “Recuperación: ¿ajustes o reformas?” (2016).
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ENTRIES IN 5CENTIMS.CAT

7. “Exportacions, competitivitat i preus” (2021).

Regular writer of opinion articles for *El País* and *El Periódico de Catalunya*.