



DISPUTATIO OF BARCELONA 2017

An annual activity of the Barcelona Knowledge Hub
of the Academia Europaea (23 November, 2017)

The *Disputatio* of Barcelona 2017

This year the Barcelona Knowledge Hub of the Academia Europaea (AE-BKH) will hold the fifth modern-day *Disputatio* of Barcelona on **23 November, 2017**, at the Institute for Catalan Studies (IEC). The session will take place in the **Prat de la Riba Hall of the IEC, from 19.00 to 20.30 h.**

The *Disputatio* of Barcelona 2017 will debate on “**SUPERCOMPUTERS: An instrument for science, technology and the progress of society**”. The two scholars (*disputantes*) discussing different perspectives of the topic will be **Mateo Valero**, director of the Super Computing Center of Barcelona (BSC), who will present the “science and technology” aspects, and **Alison Kennedy**, director of the STFC Hartree Centre (Daresbury, Warrington, UK), who will present the “progress of the society” aspects. The *Disputatio* debate will be coordinated by **Josep M. Martorell** (BSC) and **Fabrizio Gagliardi** (BSC). The debate will be followed by a **Colloquium with the audience**, in which the attendants will address questions of relevance to both *disputantes*. After the academic session there will be a social drink in the Cloister of the IEC.

The day before, 22 November 2017, from 19.00 to 20.30 h, there will be a **Concert at the IEC** (also in the Prat de la Riba Hall). The concert will be given by soprano **Marta Mathéu**, and pianist and composer **Albert Guinovart**. Guinovart will play an Érard piano from the late 19th century loaned by the Music Museum in Barcelona. The concert, under the title “**The European dimension of Felip Pedrell,**” will present songs by Felip Pedrell, Manuel de Falla, Joaquín Turina, Enric Granados and Albert Guinovart. After the concert, there will be a social drink in the Cloister.

For more information, please look at:

Barcelona Knowledge Hub: <http://barcelona.acadeuro.org/>

Academia Europaea: <http://acadeuro.org>; <http://ae-info.org>

Disputatio of Barcelona 2017: <http://barcelona.acadeuro.org/event/disputatio-of-barcelona-2017/>

Attendance is free, but we recommend previous registration by sending an email to Doina Bird, Hub Manager (dbird@iec.cat, or barcelona@acadeuro.org), to be guaranteed a seat in the main Hall.

Cordially yours,

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