

# Barcelona: the Challenge of Celebrity

Speaker: **Oriol Nel·lo**

## Biodetails

Oriol Nel·lo, SED Visiting Professorial Fellow in March 2011, is Professor of Urban Geography at the Autonomous University of Barcelona. Also a politician, he served from December 2003 to January 2011 as Secretary for Spatial Planning in the Autonomous Government of Catalonia, playing a leading role in land policy, neighbourhood regeneration, transport initiatives, and the long-awaited strategy for the vast metropolitan region around Barcelona.

## Topic

Barcelona enjoys an iconic status among world cities. From the triumphs of the 1992 Olympics, to the neighbourhood law (Llei de Barris) of 2004 and last year's metropolitan strategy (Plan Territorial Metropolitano de Barcelona), it has been on the leading edge of policy innovation. Oriol Nel·lo reflects on the challenges of progressive urbanism and the lessons that Greater Barcelona has to offer.

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