

In the framework of the *ODS-Toolkit* project activities that aim to incorporate SDG in the higher education in the Barcelona Civil Engineering School, the following conference has been organized and is open to the whole community:

Monday, February 14, 2022

16.30 h, classroom C1-002, North Campus UPC-BarcelonaTech
(*Jordi Girona 1-3, Plaça Camins, Campus Nord UPC – 08034 Barcelona*)



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Transport Global Practice at the World Bank: project selection criteria and intended impacts

Abstract:

Civil engineering has improved people's quality of life over the centuries. Today it is also important not to lose sight of this perspective of service and functionality and to design and implement projects that are in line with the Sustainable Development Goals. In this respect, the World Bank is an example to follow.

In this talk we will learn which are the criteria used by the World Bank to consider a project as eligible and appropriate, how it ensures the economic viability of the projects and which are the tools used to check the degree of compliance with the key impacts sought. In addition, the speaker will explain concrete examples of how this general perspective has been applied to some projects in the field of transport engineering in which he has been personally involved. The talk will be followed by a discussion with the audience.

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Carlos Bellas Lamas holds a Master Degree in Civil Engineering from ETSICCP A Coruña and is a transport specialist at the World Bank. He is currently working on projects in Latin America and the Caribbean Region. Previously, he has developed projects in several African countries with the World Bank since 2017. In the past, he worked as multilateral analyst at the Economic and Commercial Office of the Embassy of Spain in Washington as well as at the European Commission in the transport sector. Carlos has a deep knowledge of transportation, urban planning, regulations and policies, economy, geography and history and new technologies.