



Local Government and the Changing Urban-Rural Interplay<sup>1</sup>.

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## Conference on the Project Law of Island Councils

On September 30 and 1<sup>st</sup> of October, the Institute of Autonomous Studies (IEA) of the Balearic Islands organized the Conference on the Project Law of Island Councils, which took place in the auditorium of ParcBit (Centro Empresarial Son Espanyol, C / Laura Bassi, from Palma).

During these days the presentations have been given by university professors, who exchanged opinions on the new legal regulation that is foreseen for these institutions that are currently in the process of elaboration, and that surely has an undoubted interest for a good part of the legal technicians of the Administration and the island corporations. This circumstance will provide a new look at the matter studied, more distant and uncontaminated by previous debates.

This new point of view, objective and rigorous, is what the IEA has wanted to put on the table, now that the normative proposal will soon enter Parliament for processing, will be necessary to be aware of the virtues and defects of the normative text.

The experts gathered and who have had the opportunity to present their views come from various Spanish universities and are true specialists in the field of territorial administrations. On September 30, Professor Francisco Velasco Caballero, Professor of Administrative Law at the UAM, IP of the European Project "Local Government and the Changing Urban-Rural Interplay" G.A. 823961-LoGov-H2020-MSCA-RISE-2018, also had the opportunity to speak and share his presentation on "The new Organization of Island Councils".

During his appearance, Professor Francisco Velasco Caballero spoke about the founding dogmas, the evolution of the Bill of Insular Councils (LIC). In addition, he reviewed the Balearic statutory evolution of 1983, Law 5 / 1989 Consells Insulars, Balearic Law 8/2000, and the statutory normalization of 2007. Regarding the new bill, he spoke of the autonomic regulatory possibilities (organizational and statutory limits), also carried out a comparative analysis between the available organizational models and the Draft Law on Insular Councils (LIC).

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