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Your sincerely,

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I met Cristina as an undergraduate student at the Faculty of Economics of the University of Porto.

We both became teaching assistants in the course of Economics of Development and Growth in the school year 1977-78. We started then a very fructuous work relation and a very grateful friendship.

We had diverse pathways along our academic careers (Cristina had her PhD grade on microeconomics at the Faculty of Economics of the University of Porto and I had mine in labor economics at the University of Paris – Sorbonne) but kept always in touch during all our formation.

And we met again (in professional terms, as personally we’ve been always in touch) as assistant professors and members of the same research center (CETE that has been enlarged and renamed CEF.UP) at our home Faculty. Sometimes we disagreed in professional opinions but we always kept a reciprocal (I truly believe it) trust that maintained us as very close friends.

Two years ago she challenged me and Luis (a common colleague and a specialist in econometrics) to develop some common research on Transportation Economics. We made a first article together and, unfortunately, we didn’t have time to develop all the research we planned. Cristina died and we still cannot believe it. We lost a colleague teacher, a colleague researcher and that’s very difficult to accept. But mostly we lost a dear friend and that we still cannot accept. We love you (in the present form, not in the past!) and we miss you Cristina.

[Note of the Editor] Prof. Maria Cristina Barbot Campos e Matos was a Professor at University of Porto, Portugal. She died on the 28th of June 2012. Cristina was a member of the Advisory Editors Board of the Journal of Transport Literature, besides being one of the most distinguished transport economists across the world. Her papers on the behavior of low cost carriers and their relation to secondary airports are among the most important in the field.