Preface

Most of the chapters in this book were first presented at the Moeller Centre at Churchill College, Cambridge University, on 6–7 May 2006. A few were commissioned separately. The focus of the workshop was road congestion pricing, inspired by the London Congestion Charging Scheme introduced in February 2003, although the scope of the workshop was much wider, looking at Western Europe (especially the Stockholm Trial) and the United States. A motivating idea was whether the European experience had implications for implementing road pricing in the United States. Although there is a renewed interest in road pricing in the United States, in most cases the reduction in congestion objectives are secondary to the highway financing potential of road pricing schemes.

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