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1. OFFICIAL NEWS**The European Journal of Comparative Economics.**

The European Journal of Comparative Economics is proud to inform that in 2004 and 2005 have totalised 28,540 downloads.

The European Journal of Comparative Economics staff is proud to inform that the journal has been accepted for indexing and abstracting in the following services:

- EconLit, JEL on CD and e-JEL (Journal of Economic Literature)
- IBSS (International Bibliography of Social Sciences),
- EBSCO Business Source Premier
- DOAJ (Directory of Open Access Journals)

**2. CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS****Summary**

2.1.	63rd International Atlantic Economic Conference	Madrid	14-18 March 2007
2.2.	Internacional Workshop “Various Approaches to Assessing the Evolution and Impact of Alternative Institutional Structures”	Michigan (USA)	15-16 March 2007
2.3.	5th International CASE Conference ‘Winds of Change: The Impact of Globalization on Europe and Asia’	Kiev (Ukraine)	March 23-24, 2007
2.4.	10th conference of the Swiss Society for Financial Market Research	Zürich	30 March 2007
2.5.	Annual Conference of The British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies (BASEES)	Cambridge	31 March-2 April, 2007
2.6.	VIIIth International Scientific Conference "Economic Modernization and Social Development"	Moscow	3-5 April 2007
2.7.	“Transnationalism and the Post-Socialist Subjects”	San Francisco (USA)	7-21 April 2007
2.8.	The Chinese Economists Society (CES) Europe Conference 2007	Portoroz, (Slovenia)	11-14 May 2007
2.9.	International Confederation of Associations for Pluralism in Economics (ICAPE) Conference	Utah (USA)	1-3 June 2007
2.10.	The XVIth conference of the Italian Association for the study of Comparative Economic Systems (AISSEC)	Parma (Italy)	21-23 June 2007
2.11.	5th International Conference on “Politics & International Affaire”	Athens	25-26 June 2007
2.12.	5th International Conference on Accounting and Finance in Transition (ICAFT)	London	12-14 July 2007
2.13.	The Chinese Economists Society (CES) Annual China Conference “Economic Transition, Regional Growth, and Sustainable Development”	Changsha (Hunan, China)	28-30 July 2007
2.14.	Internation Conference “Contemporary Challenges of Theory and Practice in Economics”	Belgrade	26-29 September 2007
2.15.	III International Conference of “The Social Capital Foundation”.	Waikiki (Hawai-USA)	15-19 November 2007

2.1. 63rd International Atlantic Economic Conference. Madrid, Spain, 14-18 March 2007

Submission Deadline: 1 November 2006

Submit a paper summary (500 word limit; no full papers) including: (1) Title (not to exceed 80 characters); (2) Objectives; (3) Data/Methods; (4) Results/Expected Results. Submit either as an attachment file by e-mail to iaes@iaes.org, on disk using WordPerfect or Microsoft Word, or online at http://www.iaes.org/conferences/future/madrid_63/paper_sub/index.htm.

On a separate cover page, list: (1) Conference location; (2) Name; (3) Academic rank or title; (4) Affiliation; (5) Mailing address; (6) Phone, fax, and e-mail address; (7) Category number of topic; (8) Macro or micro focus; and (9) Category numbers to discuss or chair.

NOTE: Papers previously published or those scheduled for publication prior to the conference are ineligible.

The submission fee for members is \$80 (\$130 for non-members) for each paper and must be paid at the time of submission. Submission does not include conference registration. All attending conference participants are required to pay the registration fee.

For more information on the Madrid conference, submission, or registration, please go to http://www.iaes.org/conferences/future/madrid_63/index.htm or E-mail: iaes@iaes.org (Jennifer McBride)

2.2. Internaciona Workshop "Various Approaches to Assessing the Evolution and Impact of Alternative Institutional Structures". Michigan (USA), March 15-16, 2007

Organisation: Henry Center for Executive Development, Michigan State University Campus, East Lansing, Michigan

Registration & Program Information: <http://www.msu.edu/user/mercuro/workshop/index.html>

Workshop focus: There are a variety of strands of what now comes under the moniker Institutional Law and Economics, Neo-Institutional Economics, or just Institutionalism. The purpose of this two-day workshop is to have representatives from these several approaches or strands of Institutionalism present an original paper that describes their respective approach and answer questions from advocates of alternative approaches.

In addition, there will be a roundtable discussion addressing such questions as: How different are the presented approaches? Do these different approaches have their own value-added? or are we saying the same thing using

different language and perspective? Could parts of different approaches be integrated for even more insight? or Do different problems require different approaches?

The following individuals have been invited and confirmed as our presenters: Nathan Berg (Senior Research Scientist, Max Planck Institute for Human Development, Berlin; Associate Professor of Economics, The University of Texas at Dallas), Daniel Bromley (Anderson-Bascom Professor of Applied Economics, Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison); Neil K. Komesar (John and Rylla Bosshard Professor of Law, University of Wisconsin Law School Madison, Wisconsin 53706); Claude Ménard (Director - Centre Analyse Théorique des Organisations et des Marchés, Maison des Sciences Economiques, University of Paris Pantheon-Sorbonne); Elinor Ostrom; Arthur F. Bentley (Professor of Political Science, Director -Workshop in Political Theory and Policy Analysis, University of Indiana) and Warren Samuels (Professor Emeritus, Department of Economics, Michigan State University).

2.3. 5th International CASE Conference 'Winds of Change: The Impact of Globalization on Europe and Asia'. Kiev (Ukraine), March 23-24, 2007.

Organisation: CASE and CASE Ukraine

With high growth rates in China, South-East Asia, India and Central Asia the economic centre of gravity of Eurasia is quickly shifting to the East. The same is true as regards population. At the same time most of Europe faces serious growth barriers in the long term. These come from excessive welfare provision, population aging and institutional rigidities. Europe is also losing competitiveness to Asia in many sectors and industries. This raises uncertainty not only about the economic and social perspectives for Europe, but also in respect of what has been called its "external modernization mission". The future of the European integration project, which attracted less developed countries into the European "core" and helped them achieve rapid modernization, is unclear at the moment. Both a fast completion of ongoing EU enlargement in the Balkans and Turkey and, even more, prospects for the integration into Europe of CIS countries, are under question. On the other hand, fast growing countries of East and South East Asia are discussing deeper economic integration in their region, which may in future create another center of integration on the Eurasian continent.

The conference will look at the causes and consequences of this major shift in economic

power and political potential and consider options faced by policymakers at various parts of Europe and Asia. Discussion will include themes such as differences in growth performance, the nature of global imbalances, changing directions of goods, capital and aid flows, the challenges of migration and emerging regional integration models.

The conference will contain 6 thematic sessions and 3 keynote addresses. It will gather 200-250 participants from various countries, mostly from Europe, Asia, the Middle East and North America. For more information: <http://www.case.com.pl/strona--ID-winds,nlang-710.html>

2.4. 10th conference of the Swiss Society for Financial Market Research. Zürich, March 30, 2007.

Submission of a paper

The organisation would like to invite both academics and practitioners to submit papers on all topic areas of financial market research by November 1, 2006. Papers must be in English. Please submit your paper via the online tool on our website www.fmpm.ch <<http://www.fmpm.ch>>. Detailed information on the conference as well as the format requirements can also be found there. There will be a Best Paper Award.

Submission of a Speech

Additionally to the academic sessions the conference also features a practitioner's workshop with speeches on current trends in financial markets. Practitioners are invited to submit an abstract of their speech via the online application tool on www.fmpm.ch <<http://www.fmpm.ch>> by November 1, 2006. Abstracts should be in English and should not exceed 1000 words. It should contain your name, address, phone number, and email address. Speeches must not be longer than 25 minutes.

Registration

There is no deadline for registration. The conference fee is 100 CHF. In case you do not register for conference participation beforehand, the walk-in rate amounts to 150 CHF. On March 29, 2007 there will be a pre-conference dinner in the restaurant Kaufleuten in Zürich. Please register through the online tool on www.fmpm.ch <<http://www.fmpm.ch>>.

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2.5. Annual Conference of The British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies (BASEES). Cambridge, 31 March-2 April, 2007.

Organisation: Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge.

Proposals for paper or panel sessions should be submitted to the appropriate member of the conference organising committee by 1st October 2006. Papers on Central and Eastern Europe will be especially welcome.

The organisers are keen to hear from postgraduate students who may wish to present work-in-progress. All UK postgraduate members of BASEES who deliver conference papers are eligible to apply for financial support towards registration and accommodation costs. See the website for details on how to become a member of BASEES: <http://www.basees.org.uk/index.html>. More information concerning the 2007 conference, together with both panel and individual paper application forms can be found at:

<http://www.basees.org.uk/conference/>

2.6. VIIIth International Scientific Conference "Economic Modernization and Social Development". Moscow, April 3-5, 2007.

Organisation: State University - Higher School of Economics, jointly with the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.

High-level Russian Government officials, representatives of the President Putin's Administration will participate in the plenary session on April 3. The plenary session will also host senior representatives of the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, and heads of the largest Russian and international companies.

Presentations of research papers and expert round tables will be held in parallel sessions on April 4 and 5.

Conference sessions and round tables will focus on the following priority problems:

- Modernization of state and institutional development.
- Economic growth: background and perspectives.
- Economy and natural resources: social and political perspective.
- Integration: global and local context.
- Centralization and decentralization in social development.
- Civil society, self-organization, social capital and consolidation of elites.

- Modernization and post-industrial society.
 - Interrelation of political, economic and socio-cultural processes in transitional societies.

Additional sections and round tables may be organized, depending on the participants' interests and the topics of accepted papers.

The VIIIth International Scientific Conference will be followed by the Students' Scientific Conference, featuring the best papers written by the students of SU-HSE and other universities in Economics, Management, Law, Sociology, and Political Science.

The working languages of the Conference will be Russian and English; simultaneous translation will be available during all plenary and parallel sessions.

Submissions

Foreign participants are invited to submit extended abstracts of their original research papers by December 1, 2006 by e-mail to interconf@hse.ru and mariam@hse.ru. The application should include the following information: full name of the researcher, job title and current position, address, contact phone, fax, and e-mail address, title of the presentation. Abstracts should be in RTF or Microsoft Word, and should not exceed 7,000 characters (about 3 pages long).

Applications of foreign participants without presentations should be mailed to mariam@hse.ru by March 10, 2007. The application should contain the following information: full name of the participant, job title and current position, address, contact phone, fax, and e-mail address, as well as the conference session he or she would like to attend. The application form may be downloaded from www.hse.ru/ic8. Corporate Governance: International

Group applications for a session or round table are welcome as well as personal applications. Please submit to interconf@hse.ru and mariam@hse.ru the following information:

- Titles of proposed session;
- Titles and short abstracts of papers (up to 2500 characters per abstract);
- Full names, job titles and positions of presenters and discussants (opponents);
- Full name, postal address, phone and fax number, E-mail address of the session coordinator.

Sessions will last for 1,5 – 2 hours. Deadline for group applications is 1 December 2006.

The Programme Committee will notify the authors of accepted papers by February 1, 2007. Russian citizens from outside of Moscow whose papers have been selected for presentation may be provided with accommodation in the SU-HSE guesthouse free of charge. Expenses of invited presenters from the CIS and Eastern

Europe may be partially covered by the World Bank Office in the Russian Federation, Moscow.

Programmes and papers of the previous conferences organized by SU-HSE are available at

<http://www.hse.ru/science/main.htm>

2.7. “Transnationalism and the Post-Socialist Subjects”. San Francisco, CA, April 17-21, 2007.

Organizer: Marianna Pavlovskaya, Hunter College

As the previously thick boundaries that separated the West and the East had fallen and the new ones were erected within the post-soviet space, the post-socialist subjects have entered the previously unknown to them world of everyday transnational existence. Large numbers of immigrants from post-socialist countries have recently settled in many European and American cities but in contrast to the Cold War era émigrés they do not have to cut all the connections with their former home country. No longer stripped of their citizenship and without restrictions on their movement across the border and they are able to maintain active family, social, business, political, and cultural ties with their country of origin, a process also facilitated by advances in communications technologies and the internet. On the other hand, despite the massive out-migration of ethnic minorities (including Russians) from the former Soviet Republics, many families still remain spread across post-soviet space where different international regimes are found today. The newly independent states have enacted different laws, immigration and employment policies, property regimes, currency systems, and language requirements. All actors involved (including individuals, households, institutions, businesses, etc.) now have to negotiate the new forms of transnational existence within the post-socialist space.

Papers are invited that address new transnational experiences of post-socialist actors - both internationally and within the former socialist world itself.

If you are interested in presenting such a paper, please notify Marianna Pavlovskaya (mpavlov@hunter.cuny.edu) about your intent as soon as possible and email me your abstract by September 30.

2.8. The Chinese Economists Society (CES) Europe Conference 2007, Portoroz, Slovenia, May 11-14, 2007 The Chinese Economists Society will hold its first Europe conference May 11-14, 2007 in the beautiful city of

Portoroz, Slovenia, on the Adriatic Sea. The main venue of the conference is Hotel Marko, originally a private villa built in 1886 with breathtaking views of the Adriatic coast, <http://www.hotel-marko.com/eng>.

The conference theme is "Economic Transition at Midlife: Lessons from the Development of Markets and Institutions." The local organizer and sponsor is Faculty of Management of the University of Primorska.

Confirmed keynote speakers include Professor Gerard Roland of UC Berkeley, Professor T. Paul Schultz of Yale University, and Professor Janez Šušteršič of University of Primorska. There will be a total of 30 to 40 high-quality papers. We plan to publish a symposium in a high quality refereed journal, subject to normal review process, and a book by a leading publisher (possibly in both Chinese and English).

Those wishing to present a paper should submit an extended abstract in English by February 1, 2007. Those wishing to organize a session should submit a proposal with information on the session organizer, chair, and presenters, as well as title and abstract of the papers included. The deadline for session proposals is January 15, 2007.

Notification of accepted submissions will be sent by February 15, 2007. The deadline for the submission of completed papers is April 27, 2007. Submissions should be made online at www.china-ces.org.

The conference will also organize two field trips in Slovenia. Please visit the conference website www.china-ces.org for detailed information about the conference, including registration, accommodation arrangements, local

More information: http://www.china-ces.org/ces_conference/showcontent.asp?id=18

2.9. International Confederation of Associations for Pluralism in Economics (ICAPE) Conference, 1-3 June 2007

The next ICAPE conference is on the horizon, and I hope you will consider participating in it. Soon to celebrate its 13th birthday, ICAPE (the International Confederation of Associations for Pluralism in Economics) is an international consortium dedicated to the active promotion of intellectual pluralism in economic education and scholarship. Next June (1-3) on the campus of the University of Utah in beautiful Salt Lake City, ICAPE will host its second international conference, "Economic Pluralism for the 21st Century." The organisation invites proposals for papers and panels that address the value (or costs) of economic pluralism in any of its domains: economic theory and philosophy, economic institutions and policies, or economic

education. For further details -- including a list of plenary sessions -- please see the attached documents or visit our website (www.icafe.org).

2.10. The XVIth conference of the Italian Association for the study of Comparative Economic Systems (AISSEC), University of Parma (Italy), June 21-23, 2007

The themes of the Conference include all areas of economics and related disciplines treated in a comparative perspective. New approaches to comparative economics, analysis of the various forms of capitalism, different models of development, trade, monetary and regional integration represent some of the suggested general topics.

Deadline for submission of abstracts: February 28, 2007

Acceptance of submitted abstracts: March 25, 2007

Submission of papers: May 31, 2007

Prospective participants should send an e-mail containing the title of the proposed paper, an abstract not exceeding 300 words and personal contact details (name, title, institutional affiliation, e-mail address) to:

augusto.ninni@unipr.it

More information: <http://economia.unipr.it/aissec/>

2.11. 5th International Conference on "Politics & International Affaire". Athens (Greece), June 25-26, 2007.

The Politics Research Unit of the Athens Institute for Education and Research (AT.IN.E.R.) organizes its 5th annual international conference on Politics and International Affairs, June 25-26, 2007. The registration fee will be 250 (euro), covering access to all sessions, 2 lunches, coffee breaks and conference material. Special arrangements will be made with local hotels for a limited number of rooms at a special conference rate. In addition, a number of special events will be organized: A Greek night of entertainment, a special one-day cruise in the Greek islands and a half-day tour to archaeological site and area.

The aim of the conference is to bring together scholars and students of Politics and International Affairs and other related disciplines. You may participate as panel organizer, presenter of one paper, chair a session or observer. For programs of previous conferences and other information visit the conference website

www.atiner.gr/docs/Politics.htm

Papers (in English) from all areas of education are welcome. Selected papers will be published in a Special Volume of the Conference

Proceedings or Edited Books as part of ATINER's mass media and communication book series. For Books and Proceedings of previous conferences you may visit http://www.atiner.gr/docs/POLITICS_PUBLIC_ACTIONS.htm for table of contents and order forms.

Please submit a 300-word abstract by December 3rd, 2006, by email (atiner@atiner.gr), to Dr. Ioannis Stivachtis, Head, Politics & International Affairs Research Unit, ATINER and Director, International Studies Program Virginia Tech - Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University, USA. Please include: Title of Paper, Full Name (s), Affiliation, Current Position, an email address and at least 3 keywords that best describe the subject of your submission. If you want to participate without presenting a paper, i.e. chair a session, evaluate papers to be included in the conference proceedings or books, contribute to the editing, or any other offer to help please send an email to Dr. Gregory T. Papanikos (gtp@atiner.gr), Director, ATINER.

2.12. 5th International Conference on Accounting and Finance in Transition (ICAFT), London, July 12th to 14th, 2007.

Call for papers: Deadline for papers March 15, 2007

The University of Greenwich is organising a major international conference devoted to exploring issues raised for accounting and finance academics, practitioners, and policy makers as a result of periods of rapid economic and social change. The conference is the fifth in a row, following earlier conferences organised in Greenwich (2003, 2005), Kavala, Greece (2004) and Adelaide, Australia (2006).

The 5th ICAFT will examine not only those issues related to transition from a command to a market-oriented economy and their implications for the accounting and finance professions, but also all other aspects of accounting and finance affected by times of rapid social and economic change. Papers in any area of accounting and finance are welcome, especially those addressing issues such as the failure of classical accounting and finance models and methodologies to grasp the nuances of emerging markets. The conference organisers will entertain any innovative and thought-provoking paper that challenges the dominant schools of thought and offers an alternative explanation.

Papers in International Business (International Finance and Financial Strategy) are also welcome, as well as those dealing with the future of the accounting and finance professions. Comparative studies on the development of the accounting profession in

emerging markets are of particular interest for one of the conference tracks. The above list of topics is by no means exhaustive, and any paper dealing with any issue facing the accounting and finance professions in the 21st century will find a positive response from the International Programme Committee.

The International Programme Committee is comprised of scholars from Australia, China and SE Asia, Europe and the United States, with a background in accounting, economics, finance, law and other social sciences, including a number of editors of learned journals. The composition of the Programme Committee demonstrates a commitment to select papers that adopt not just traditional but also multi-disciplinary approaches to accounting and finance issues. Indeed, integrative, comparative, cross-cultural, and multi-disciplinary approaches are strongly encouraged.

It is expected that there will be at least four parallel tracks focusing on Accounting, Finance, Public Policy and Accounting/Finance Information Systems. Groups of scholars and practitioners are encouraged to propose a particular session with a minimum of four papers under any of four main tracks. One of the applicants must resume the duty of the leading applicant and ensure that all the panel participants attend the conference and comply with conference regulations.

The Conference will take place in the historical setting of the Old Royal Naval College in Greenwich (South East London), which is the home of the University of Greenwich Business School, between 12th and 14th of July 2007. Participants will be housed in single en-suite rooms in the University's Cutty Sark Halls of Residence or Davenport House. The organisers will provide a list of hotels and B&Bs in the vicinity of the University for participants who may decide to book accommodation themselves. All accepted participants will be sent information on accommodation and other technical issues with the acceptance letter. The conference fee including accommodation will be GBP685, whilst the 'conference only' fee (covering lunches, dinners, refreshments and a social programme during the conference, along with all the conference materials) will be GBP545. Accompanying person fees will be GBP389 and GBP289 respectively. The full conference fee will be charged to the first and second authors, whilst third, fourth, etc. authors will be charged accompanying person fees.

Authors are invited to submit a full paper (in triplicate or electronically) before March 15, 2007, although it would be desirable for authors to contact the Organising Committee regarding their intention to submit a paper prior to this

date. All papers will be double refereed by two anonymous referees. Notification of acceptance will be sent to all successful authors by late April 2007. Completed papers, taking into consideration referees' comments, must be submitted by early June 2007. All accepted conference papers will be published on a conference CD-ROM. A selection of papers will be published in the fifth volume of the Accounting and Finance in Transition, while other selected papers will be published in a symposium issue of an academic journal. The selected authors have to agree to work closely with the editor (s) to ensure that their contributions are produced on time and reflect advice given by the anonymous referees and the editors and FULLY comply with ICAFT presentation style. The ICAFT is proud to announce strategic partnership with Inderscience publishers, Ltd. journals (www.inderscience.com), and it is expected that at least one special issue of journal will be published, although depending on the quality of papers more may be prepared.

The candidates from Eastern European and CIS countries are advised to apply for an individual mobility grant (Type 2.1) under the EU TEMPUS programme. They are advised to consult the European Training Foundation (ETF) website (www.etf.eu.int) for more information, and apply well in time observing the deadlines provided on the ETF website.

The paper submission will be managed on-line, and the conference website is <http://www.icaft.org.uk>.

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2.13. The Chinese Economists Society (CES) Annual China Conference "Economic Transition, Regional Growth, and Sustainable Development". July 28-30, 2007, Changsha (Hunan, China)

CES will dedicate the 2007 conference in Changsha to the theme of "Economic Transition, Regional Growth, and Sustainable Development" with a focus on political and economic forces that promote or hinder the spread of economic growth across all sectors, regions, and demographic groups in transitional economies. This theme is significant and timely from both the research and policy perspectives. China has achieved impressive economic growth in the past several decades. Yet the growth has been accompanied by rapidly rising

inequality, which threatens China's social stability and long-term economic growth. The objective of the conference is to provide a forum for constructive discussions on the theory, estimation, and application of models of global and regional economic growth and development. We encourage submission of papers and sessions that deal not only with China's economy, but also with transition and emerging market economies throughout Europe, Asia, and Africa.

Suggested Topics (Non-exhaustive)

1. The growth process: sources and limits
 - Investment in physical and human capital (broadly defined)
 - Infrastructure investment
 - Migration of labor and across-region investment
 - Foreign Investment
2. Causes, Consequence, and Policy Options of Rising Inequality
 - Rural-urban gap: policy options
 - Development, transition, and gender inequality
 - Decentralization, governance, and regional inequality
 - Life-cycle consumption, demographic transition, and old-age security
 - Development of western China
3. Institutions to Balance Efficiency and Equity
 - Improving education and healthcare systems
 - Social safety net and welfare programs
 - The role of civil society in poverty reduction
 - Mitigating the conflicts between growth and environment
 - Local governance and public goods provisions
 - Social capital, empowerment, and political reforms
 - Land rights, property rights, intellectual property, and growth
 - Balancing the interests of workers and investors.
 - Government policies that promote sustainable growth
 - Developing the private sector and reforming the state sector
4. China and the World
 - The impact of China's growth on world factor and product markets
 - Improve commercial, banking, contract, and environmental law in China
 - Lessons of Chinese economic reforms and growth
 - International trade and industrial transformation
 - Managing conflicts with trade partners.

- Exchange rate policy, capital flows, financial markets and monetary policy

Advisory Committee: Daron Acemoglu, Professor of Economics, MIT; John Bates Clark Award Winner; Kenneth Arrow, Professor of Economics (Emeritus), Stanford University; Nobel Laureate in Economics; Gérard Roland, Professor of Economics, University of California, Berkeley; Kailong Guo, Vice Governor, Hunan Province

Keli Liu, Chairman, University Council, Hunan University; Sue Rosser, Dean and Professor, Ivan Allen College, Georgia Tech; T. Paul Schultz, Professor of Economics, Yale University; Wei Zhang, Deputy Director General, Department of Management Science, and National Science Foundation of China

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Academic Program Coordinator: Zhiqiang Liu, CES Board Member, State University of New York at Buffalo

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Paper Submissions and Deadlines: CES invites submission of papers and organized sessions. Individual paper submissions (in English or Chinese) should include an extended abstract of about 400 words and should be made online at www.china-ces.org. Proposed sessions, including the session title and chair, the names and affiliations of four to five presenters, discussants, and paper titles and abstracts, should be submitted to Professor Belton Fleisher by e-mail at Fleisher@econ.ohio-state.edu (English sessions) and Professor Zhiqiang Liu at zqliu@buffalo.edu (Chinese sessions). High-quality papers presented at the

conference will be solicited for consideration for special issues of several renowned domestic and international journals, as well as book volumes in Chinese and English, both subject to the normal refereeing process.

The submission deadline for individual papers and organized sessions is March 15, 2007. Accepted submissions will be notified by March 31, 2007. The completed paper, with an abstract, keywords and JEL classification codes, must be submitted online at www.china-ces.org by July 1, 2007. Otherwise, the paper will be withdrawn from the conference program.

Gregory Chow Best Paper Award. To honor Professor Gregory Chow's (Princeton University) contribution to CES, the Gregory Chow Best Paper Award (\$1,000 each) has been established to honor 2 outstanding papers presented at the annual CES conferences by junior scholars (graduate students and those who received a PhD within the last five years). The awardee must be an active CES member and the primary author of the paper. Those wishing to compete for the Gregory Chow Best Paper Award should send their completed papers to Professor Penelope Prime by e-mail at prime_pb@mercer.edu by July 1, 2007, with a cover letter stating the intent of applying for the award. For more information, contact Professor Penelope Prime.

Conference Registration. All participants including paper presenters must register for the conference at www.china-ces.org.

More information: http://www.china-ces.org/ces_conference/showcontent.asp?id=17

2.14. International Conference "Contemporary Challenges of Theory and Practice in Economics", Belgrade, 26-29 september 2007.

Conference sections:

- The Challenges of Globalization and Transition
- Economic Policy and the Development of Serbia
- The Challenges of the International Economic Integrations
- Management and Marketing in the Conditions of Globalization
- Accounting and Business Finance and Financial Market Development
- Quantitative Economics and Finance

Important dates:

- March 31st 2007 - application and topic registration, abstracts submission
- April 15th 2007 – selection of the works which will be presented at the Conference
- June 30th 2007 – submission of the accepted works (in the below specified form)

General instructions:

The abstracts are to be sent to the Faculty's address not later than February 28th 2007 (with a notification: For the International Scientific Conference). The abstracts must be written in the English language. An abstract should include:

- the name of the section it belongs to,
 - the title of the work, the full name and the address (including e-mail) of the author, the affiliation,
 - between 300-500 words, typed in Font 12, Times New Roman style and 2.5 cm margin
- The abstracts are to be sent in both paper and electronic form (email address: konferencija@one.ekof.bg.ac.yu)

Conference participation:

University economists and researchers from both foreign and our universities and institutes, business experts, experts and researchers from international organizations, government and non-government organizations are invited to submit abstracts

The authors shall have 10 – 15 minutes for the presentation, and for this purpose the required equipment shall be available (more information at the Conference web site starting from March 31st 2007).

Application:

The participants can apply for the Conference by filling the application form and paying the

participation fee of 150 EUR (for postgraduate and Master students the fee is 70 EUR). The

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2.15. III International Conference of “The Social Capital Foundation”. Waikiki (Honolulu, Oahu, Hawaii), November 15-19, 2007.

The organisation invites to submit papers for this conference; participation as a discussant or attendant is also encouraged. More information:

<http://www.socialcapital-foundation.org/conferences/synopsis.htm>



3. FELLOWSHIPS, COMPETITIONS AND OTHER ISSUES

3.1. New -Erasmus Mundus International MA. International Masters in Economy, State and Society (IMESS) with reference to Central and Eastern Europe.

Programme Director: [Dr Christopher Gerry](#).

Deputy Programme Director: [Dr Richard Mole](#)

Overview:

The International Masters in Economy, State and Society is a new and innovative 2-year programme provided by a consortium of leading European Universities, composed of the UCL School of Slavonic and East European Studies, (UCL-SSEES), [Charles University in Prague](#), [Corvinus University of Budapest](#), [University of Helsinki](#), [Jagiellonian University in Krakow](#) and the [University of Tartu](#).

The programme is a 2-year (120 ECTS), discipline based, language oriented area studies programme incorporating advanced research training in the methodologies and approaches of

the social and historical sciences, and the humanities. All students enrol on to one of four subject tracks offered by the consortium and specialise in one of the region's languages (Czech, Estonian, Finnish, Hungarian or Polish). All students spend the first year of the programme at UCL-SSEES, before spending the second year at the Central and East European universities whose language they have been studying. Apart from the language courses the entire programme is conducted in English.

The study tracks each combining compulsory language training, research methodology, specialist electives and an extended research dissertation are: Economics and Business; Politics and Security; Nation and Society; History and Culture.

The IMESS programme has recently been recognised for its excellence and innovation and has been awarded Erasmus Mundus status for its commencement in 2007. There will be a number

of full Erasmus Mundus scholarships available for non-EU students.

Funding, Fees and application:

There are a number of full Erasmus Mundus scholarships available for applicants from outside of the European Economic Area (details to follow at www.imess.eu).

Home/EU tuition fees: 6,250 Euro per year; International tuition fees: 14,800 Euro per year.

The next deadline for Erasmus Mundus scholarships is January 31st 2007. The next deadline for non-scholarship applicants to apply to IMESS is August 31st 2007. Early applications are recommended.

Degree awarded:

Successful students will receive a double degree (from UCL plus the partner institution with whom they spend year 2) and a consortium diploma supplement.

Entry Requirements:

At least an Upper Second Honours degree or equivalent (first cycle bachelors). For papers in certain course options, appropriate background knowledge in the relevant subject is expected and there are special language requirements for certain papers.

Curriculum and Study Tracks:

Students on the IMESS all take 120 ECTS during the two years, normally comprising of 31 language credits, 20 Methods of Area Studies Research credits, 39 advanced electives and produce a free-standing dissertation worth 30 credits. In addition, all IMESS students are obliged to participate in a zero-weighted Research Skills course and to attend relevant Research Seminars.

There are 4 distinct study tracks all of which involve spending year one at UCL-SSEES and year two with one of the partner universities.

Track 1: Economics and Business

This track examines the economic challenges facing the Central and Eastern European region as they seek to integrate into the globalising, knowledge-based economy. Students on this track may study options ranging from economic integration and optimal currency area theory, to health and migration, to industrial change and corporate governance.

Further details

Track 2: Politics and Security

This track examines the communist system in Central and Eastern Europe, the main political and security aspects of the post-communist transition and the integration of the post-communist states into the European political and security structures. Students on this track may study options ranging from the politics of transition and security theory, to foreign policy and diplomacy, to human rights and public policy.

Further details

Track 3: Nation and Society

This track examines national and social traditions in Central and Eastern Europe and impact of the collapse of communism on social structures and inter-ethnic relations. Students on this track may study options ranging from theories of nationalism and ethnic conflict, to folklore and cultural anthropology, to the sociology or transition and gender and youth studies.

Further details

Track 4: History and Culture

This track examines the complexities of contemporary Central and East European politics and society from a cultural and historical perspective, analysing how the past shapes the present-day societies, governments and nations of the region and how this complex picture is reflected in and shaped by various cultural practices.

Further details

Further details to be found at www.imess.eu.

3.2. Postdoctoral Fellowships. The Centre for East European Language-Based Area Studies (CEELBAS)

is a consortium comprising the UCL School of Slavonic and East European Studies (UCL-SSEES, the lead institution), Russian and East European Studies (REES) at the University of Oxford and the Centre for Russian and East European Studies at the European Research Institute, University of Birmingham, working closely with a network of partners at the Universities of Bath, Cambridge, Kent, Manchester, Sheffield, Warwick and the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London.

The Centre will develop multi-disciplinary, language-based research capacity around key research themes through a programme of postgraduate scholarships, postdoctoral fellowships, mid-career training, workshops and conferences, as well as engagement with the user community and international networks.

The Centre aims to integrate the scholarly capacities of the universities involved in order to generate a sustainable flow of highly trained area expertise, and its vision is to set the research agenda for study of its region and inform policy making, nationally and internationally. The unparalleled strength of the Centre will give the UK a leading global presence in the study of Central and Eastern Europe.

The research themes include those associated with the Postdoctoral appointments.

Seven Postdoctoral Fellowships will develop key research themes of the Centre. The first round of appointments will be made as follows:

University College London, School of Slavonic and East European Studies, from 1 January 2007:

- Cities and Urban Experience in Eastern Europe

- Health and Welfare in Eastern Europe

University of Oxford, Russian and East European Studies, from 1 April 2007:

- Social Inequality in Eastern Europe

- Cultural Processes in Eastern Europe

University of Birmingham, Centre for Russian and East European Studies at the European Research Institute, from 1 January 2007:

- Polish Foreign Policy

Two further Postdoctoral Fellowships in 'Migration and Diasporic Citizenship' and 'Economies of Central and Eastern Europe' will be offered from 2008-09. The funding provides for 2 or 3 year fellowships.

For further information about CEELBAS see: <http://www.ssees.ucl.ac.uk/ceelbasaward.htm>

For information on the posts to be held at the University of Oxford and University of Birmingham: www.area-studies.ox.ac.uk

3.3. The Chinese Economists Society (CES) is a non-profit academic organization founded on May 26, 1985, in New York City. CES aims to promote market-based economic reforms and open-door policies in China, to expand academic exchanges between China and the outside world and to engage in scholarly studies of the Chinese economy.

More than 700 economists join the CES from universities, government agencies, international organizations, industrial firms, and financial services throughout the USA, Canada, Asia, Europe and other regions. Annual meetings have been held since CES was founded to enhance the academic exchanges among members. CES became a member of the Allied Social Science Association (ASSA) in 1992 and has sponsored independent and joint sessions with other associations at annual ASSA meetings. Since 1993, CES has organized annually one international conference in China to spearhead new reforms and help governments formulate reform and development strategies. These conferences have been widely attended by internationally renowned economists, senior government officials and business leaders and have had major policy impacts in China. CES has organized research trips to Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, and East Europe, leading to the publication of many books. Thanks to the generous and continuous sponsorship of the Ford Foundation, CES has carried out a teaching program and each year sends six or more members to teach at universities in China. CES publishes an academic journal The China

Economic Review (CER) in English that enjoys worldwide circulation. The journal has become an authoritative academic publication on the Chinese economy. In addition to the journal, CES has published a wide variety of books inside and outside China, including popular book series, advanced theories, and policy-oriented empirical studies.

More and more CES members are returning to China after their study or years of working experience overseas. They hold key positions in leading universities, research institutes, government departments, and businesses. They apply their experiences and expertise to China economic development, and are playing an increasingly important role in China reforms and economic transition.

Every year CES elects its six-member Board of Directors and a President-elect. CES started its online election in 1999. A distinguished advisory committee composed of Nobel laureates and leading scholars in economics and management assists the Board.

More information: <http://www.china-ces.org/>

3.4. E-journal New Economic Frontiers (NEF), published by the Faculty of Economics University of Split, Croatia, is a scientific journal which publishes scientific and technical articles in the field of economic policy and finance.

In this publication a special emphasis would be put on methodology development. In compliance with the journal title we will favour contributions that explore contemporary problems using different methodological approaches and interdisciplinarity. Namely, in order to allow a thorough understanding of modern economic processes, alternative approaches, in addition to the mainstream ones, are needed.

This conception will be ensured by arranging the contents of each issue into three parts: one devoted to a special topic of the issue, one containing various articles on freely chosen topics, and one offering space to discussions and commentaries.

The first issue of the E-journal will be published by the end of 2006. For more information please see: <http://www.ej-nef.com>. The journal will be published in English.

Submission of a paper will be held to imply that it contains original unpublished work and is not being submitted for publication elsewhere.

Paper submission should be made online via our web page. In the User's manual you can find all the information necessary for logging and submitting the paper. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us via e-mail to info@ej-nef.com.

3.5. Critique of Political Economy. Critique of Political Economy (www.copejournal.org) (COPE), a new, interdisciplinary, refereed journal devoted to the critique of political economy, is a project of the International Working Group on Value Theory (www.iwgv.org). Edited by Alan Freeman (University of Greenwich, UK) and Andrew Kliman (Pace University, New York, USA), with the assistance of a working editorial board, COPE will initially appear annually and be primarily an online journal. The first volume is scheduled for publication in March 2007.

COPE seeks to challenge and break down the separation between political economy and social knowledge as a whole. Our editorial board includes scholars in the fields of education, philosophy, political science, sociology, as well as economics and accounting. The organisation invites submissions from researchers working in these and related fields, including researchers from outside of academia. Contributions from the whole gamut of heterodox economic traditions – including (but not limited to) the Marxist, post-Keynesian, Evolutionary, Schumpeterian, and Institutionalist traditions – are welcome.

The organisation particularly encourages contributions that interrogate the production of economic “knowledge” and contributions that help to challenge the received “Whig History” of economic thought. We also particularly encourage papers from scholars in the global South, papers dealing with the temporal single-system interpretation (TSSI) of Marx’s value theory, and other TSSI-informed theoretical and empirical research.

COPE is steadfastly committed to pluralism. The organisation intends to challenge other journals’ exclusionary practices, and the acceptance of such practices, by demonstrating

that critical pluralistic norms promote quality research and genuine development of ideas. The organisation upholds authors’ right to appeal editorial decisions before a panel of disinterested persons, and the right of authors to reply to critiques of their work. The organisation employs a “double-blind” review process, and COPE’s editorial board will work with authors to improve and clarify their work, not act as “gatekeepers.” Although only submissions “accepted for publication” become part of COPE, other submissions that conform to the Scholarship Guidelines of the International Working Group on Value Theory, our parent organization, will be made available on our website as “working papers.”

The organisation encourages you to read our complete Mission Statement, available on our website, www.copejournal.org.

Contributions to the Critique of Political Economy.

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The editors will be happy to answer inquiries sent to our e-mail address. For detailed information: COPE.doc.



4. NEWS FROM THE ASSOCIATION FOR COMPARATIVE ECONOMIC STUDIES (ACES)

ACES is the *Association for Comparative Economic Studies*, i.e. the American sister association of the EACES. Both associations share a common aim: promote comparative economic studies and the analysis of the economic transition. As part of the process of growing relations between the associations we are opened this new section in the *EACES Newsletter*. Here we will publish news about the ACES.

4.1. ACES – ASSA 2007 Meetings, Chicago, IL, January 5-7.

ACES Sessions

Jan. 5, 8:00 am

Private Ownership and Public Service Provision

Presiding: JOHN BENNETT, Brunel University, West London

KATHERINA GASSNER, World Bank, ALEXANDER POPOV, University of Chicago, and NATALIYA PUSHAK, World Bank—An Empirical Assessment of Private Sector Participation in Electricity and Water Distribution in Developing Countries

EDUARDO ENGEL, Yale University, RONALD FISCHER, University of Chile, and ALEXANDER GALETOVIC, University of the Andes--The Basic Public Finance of Public-Private Partnerships

JOHN BENNETT and ELISABETTA IOSSA, Brunel University--Contracting Out Public Service Provision to Not-for-Profit Firms

RUSSELL PITTMAN, U.S. Department of Justice and New Economic School, Moscow--Will the Train Ever Leave the Station? The Private Provision of Freight Railway Service in Russia and Central and Eastern Europe

Discussants: MARK SCHAFFER, Heriot-Watt University

CHRISTA HAINZ, University of Munich

AL SLIVINSKI, University of Western Ontario

Jan. 5, 10:15 am

Comparative Economic Systems at the Regional Level (In memory of John Michael Montias) (R1)

Presiding: WOLFRAM SCHRETTL, Free University of Berlin

NICOLA FUCHS-SCHUENDELN and RIMA IZEM, Harvard University--Explaining Low Levels of Labor Productivity in the Region of Eastern Germany: A Spatial Analysis

MONIKA SCHNITZER, Ludwig Maximilian University, Munich, and CLAUDIA BUCH, University of Tuebingen--The Drive for German Cross Regional Investment to Transition Economies

ANDREA BOLTHO, Magdalen College, University of Oxford--Why Do Some Regional Differentials Persist and Others Do Not? Italy and Spain Compared

Discussants: To be announced.

Jan. 5, 2:30 pm

The Decline of Soviet Growth: The Impact of Non-systemic Factors (P2)

Presiding: PAUL GREGORY, University of Houston

MARK HARRISON, University of Warwick, UK--The Soviet Economy: War, Growth, and Dictatorship

GUR OFER, Hebrew University of Jerusalem--Looking Back at the Burden of Defense and Military R&D

MARTIN SPECHLER and DINA SPECHLER, Indiana University--The Burden of Empire on the Soviet Union: New Calculations

CLIFF GADDY, Brookings Institution, and BARRY ICKES, Pennsylvania State University--Addiction and Withdrawal: Resource Rents and the Collapse of the Soviet Economy

Discussants: PAUL GREGORY, University of Houston

VLADIMIR KONTOROVICH, Haverford College

Jan. 6, 8:00 am

Foreign Direct Investment and Development (O0)

Presiding: KATHERINE TERRELL, University of Michigan

LAURA ALFARO, Harvard Business School, AREENDAM CHANDA, North Carolina State University, SEBNEM KALEMLI-OZCAN, University of Houston, and SELIN SAYEK, International Monetary Fund--FDI and Economic Growth: The Role of the Local Financial Markets

JENS M. ARNOLD, Bocconi University, Italy and World Bank, and BEATA SMARZYNSKA JAVORCIK, World Bank--Gifted Kids or Pushy Parents? Foreign Acquisitions and Plant Performance in Indonesia?

MEGHANA AYYAGARI and RENATA KOSOVA, George Washington University--Effect of FDI on Entrepreneurship: Evidence from the Czech Republic

YUIRY GORODNICHENKO, JAN SVEJNAR, and KATHERINE TERRELL, University of Michigan--Vertical and Horizontal Spillovers from FDI: Evidence from 15 Transition Economies

Discussants: ANN HARRISON, University of California-Berkeley

GORDON HANSON, University of California-San Diego
 FREDRIK SJÖHOLM, Stockholm School of Economics

Jan. 6, 10:15 am

Changes in Incentives and Organizational Performance (J3)

Presiding: DEREK C. JONES, Hamilton College

DEREK C. JONES, Hamilton College, PANU KALMI, and ANTTI KAUKHANEN, Helsinki School of Economics and HECER, Helsinki--Teams, Performance-Related Pay, Profit Sharing and Productive Efficiency: Evidence from a Food-Processing Plant

EDWARD P. LAZEAR, Stanford University, Hoover Institution and Council of Economic Advisors, and KATHRYN SHAW, Stanford University--The Effects of Tenure on Output

TOR ERIKSSON, Aarhus School of Business, Denmark, and JAIME ORTEGA, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid and Center for Corporate Performance, Denmark--Is Performance Pay Changing Employees' Private Lives?

JOHN S. HEYWOOD, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, UWE JIRJAHN, University of Hannover, and XIANGDONG WEI, Lingnan College--Teamwork, Monitoring, Absence and Productivity

Discussants: AVNER BEN-NER, University of Minnesota

ERIK POUTSMA, Radboud University Nijmegen

RICHARD FREEMAN, Harvard University and London School of Economics and Political Science (to be confirmed)

VIRGINIE PEROTIN, Leeds School of Business

Jan. 6, 2:30 pm

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Causes and Consequences of Gender Imbalances in Asia and Russia (J1)

Presiding: JOSH ANGRIST, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

BETSY BRAINERD, Williams College--Uncounted Costs of World War II: The Effect of Changing Sex Ratios on Marriage and Fertility of Russian Women

LENA EDLUND, Columbia University--Sex Ratios: The Case of Hong Kong

EMILY OSTER, University of Chicago--Does Increased Access Increase Equality? Gender and Child Health Investments in India

NANCY QIAN, Brown University--Missing Women and the Price of Tea in China: The Effect of Sex-Specific Earnings on Sex Imbalance

Discussants: JOSH ANGRIST, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

MARK ROSENZWEIG, Yale University

DAVID BLOOM, Harvard University

DENNIS YANG, Virginia Tech

Jan. 7, 8:00 am

Why Has the Chinese Transition Experience Been Different From the Experience in the CEEC and FSU? (P5)

Presiding: JEFFREY MILLER, University of Delaware

STOYAN TENEV, International Finance Corporation, and JEFFREY MILLER, University of Delaware--China, the CEEC and FSU: Is Government the Key to the Differences in Performance?

JOHN BONIN, Wesleyan University--Developing Effective Banking in Central/Eastern Europe and China

STEVEN ROSEFELDE, University of North Carolina--The Illusion of Westernization in Putin's Russia and Wen's China

JUDITH THORNTON, University of Washington, and ELLIOTT PARKER, University of Nevada-Reno--Fiscal Centralization/Decentralization in Russia and China

Discussants: GERARD ROLAND, University of California-Berkeley

WING THYE WOO, University of California-Davis

Jan. 7, 10:15 am

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Comparative Economics at the Firm Level: Effects of Country and Ownership Type (P5)

Presiding: GÉRARD ROLAND, University of California-Berkeley

NICK BLOOM, Stanford University and London School of Economics, and JOHN VAN REENEN, London School of Economics--Measurement and Comparison of Management Practices and Performance across Countries

MARK SCHLESINGER, Yale University--Sorting, Selection and the Role of Organizational Ownership in Consumer Choice

MASAHIKO AOKI, Stanford University--Comparative Corporate Governance and Its Complementarities with Organizational Architecture

AVNER BEN-NER, University of Minnesota—Comparison of Structure, Behavior and Performance in For-Profit, Nonprofit and Government Organizations: A Study of Nursing Homes

Discussants: MARTIN GAYNOR, Carnegie Mellon University

MICHAEL GIBBS, University of Chicago

GÉRARD ROLAND, University of California-Berkeley

JAN SVEJNAR, University of Michigan

Jan. 7, 1:00 pm

Growth, Reform and Political Institutions (P1)

Presiding: NAURO F. CAMPOS, Brunel University, CEPR, IZA and WDI

ROMAIN WACZIARG, Stanford University, and ENRICO SPOLAORE, Tufts University--The Diffusion of Development

KARLA HOFF, World Bank, SHALE HOROWITZ, University of Wisconsin, and BRANKO MILANOVIC, World Bank--Transition from Communism: Political Alternation as a Restraint on Investing in Influence

TIMOTHY FRYE, Ohio State University--Original Sin, Good Works, and Property Rights in Russia: Evidence from a Survey Experiment of Business Elites

FRANCESCO GIOVANNONI, University of Bristol, and NAURO CAMPOS, Brunel University, CEPR, IZA and WDI --Lobbying, Corruption and Political Influence in Transition Countries

Discussants: DANIEL BERKOWITZ, University of Pittsburgh

SAUL ESTRIN, London Business School

JEFFREY NUGENT, University of Southern California

GÉRARD ROLAND, University of California-Berkeley

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