Call for papers
(Deadline: November 27, 2009)

International Conference of the Charles Gide Association
Organised by PHARE (Pôle d’Histoire de l’Analyse et des Représentations Economiques)

Paris – May 27 to 29, 2010

PHARE (University of Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne) organizes in Paris from May 27 to 29, 2010 the 13th Biennial International Conference of the Charles Gide Association for the Study of Economic Thought (ACGEPE). The theme of the conference is “Institutions in Economic Thought”, but communications in history of economic thought on other issues are also welcomed.

A reflection on institutions is essential to understand the economic world, from organizational routines to crises, from transaction to public intervention. The history of economic thought emphasizes that all economic theories, and not only those that declare themselves as such, integrate institutions in their arguments. Whether mere rules of the game or embedded in the economic life, chosen or spontaneous, legal or informal, institutions are indeed necessary for coordination among agents.
Proposals for communications on the conference theme fall within one or several of the following topics:

1. The history of theories that make institutions an object of economic analysis. Themes of the communications may be the study of specific trends (for example, New Institutional Economics: Transaction Cost Theory, Public Choice, Law and Economics), concepts (the action in the institution, efficiency, justice, evolution...) or methods.

2. The history of theories that make institutions a tool of analysis, such as institutional theories of the economy (Old American Institutionalism, German Historical Schools, Theory of Regulation, Economics of Conventions, New Economic History, Classical, Marxist, Keynesian and Austrian trends...). Economic analysis is here modified to integrate both institutions and their evolutions, which can be justified through epistemological works. This topic also includes controversies and cases in which the consideration for institutions affects the analysis of economic variables (notably prices, employment, crisis, economic policy, risk management).

3. The history of the analysis of specific institutions in the economy, if it identifies the role of economic practices in the development of the analysis of institutions. This may concern legal, international, monetary and financial institutions, enterprise, market organization, economic institutions of transitions and development. This topic is thus about the contribution of the history of institutions to the history of economic thought (for example, monetary thought has developed during political debates on financial institution). In this line, a special focus on the history of the institutions of the economics profession (schools of thought, societies, etc.) is possible.

Besides, the 13th Charles Gide conference inaugurates the principle of open sessions.

The proposals for communications, in the form of abstracts of approx. 500 words, specifying whether or not the paper falls under the theme of the conference, shall be sent before November 27, 2009, at colloquegide2010@univ-paris1.fr

The decisions of the scientific committee will be made by December 18, 2009 and final papers will have to be sent before April 23, 2010.

For further information, please visit http://colloquegide2010.univ-paris1.fr or write to the organising committee at colloquegide2010@univ-paris1.fr

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