"What I am worried about most of all, is what we don’t see. So, I am worried about the analysis that is never seen, that never becomes a paper and it doesn’t become a paper, because it can’t become a paper. And it can’t become a paper, because that’s not what a paper in economics is all about. I am quite worried about and we know such vacuums exist.”

These wise words resemble a sentiment familiar to many heterodox economists as they give a shallow description of the paradigmatic constraints encountered within the economics discipline. However, they are taken from a statement by George A. Akerlof, which he happened to give at the recent ASSA-convention in Chicago. Specifically, Akerlof took part in a session comprised of leading mainstream "active senior scholars" (quoting James Heckman’s introduction) discussing the ”curse of the top 5”, that is, the dominance of a set of five leading mainstream journals (QJE, JPE, AER, Econometrica and Review of Econ Studies) in terms of prestige and intellectual recognition (you can watch it here). For once, this statement and the associated session indicate that there is still some reflexivity within the dominant economic approach - even if embracing this kind of reflexivity seems restricted to ”Bank of Sweden”-prize winners.

Although there is, of course, no direct reference to heterodox or pluralist economics and no mentioning of the history of economic thought, most participants show a honest concern for the narrowing impact of the incentive structure within the discipline, which is reinforced by the general trends for metric-based evaluation in scientific institutions. In exploring their concerns these ”active senior schools” make use of notions like disciplinary stratification and institutional oligopoly (Heckman) or path-dependency in paradigmatic development (Akerlof). As such venues have long been explored by more heterodox or interdisciplinary approaches (see here, here, here or here), the session also delivers a performative proof of the alleged ”vacuum” and thereby illustrates what is lost in the enduring intellectual monoculture of standard economics.

All the best,

Jakob

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Investments are the gamble on the future of a community. Their benefits span over the present. They stimulate aggregate demand. They have positive effects on expectations as well as spin-offs in terms of knowledge and innovation. Their benefits also project into the future adding productive capacity to a system.

Raising funds is necessary to undertake investment projects, which is one of the purposes (if not the main purpose) of a financial system. A question has emerged recently on how much institutional rules actually prevail at the international level to promote this task. The potential destabilizing forces that our financial systems have been able to unfold during the recent years make Keynes’s distinction between enterprise and speculation very relevant.

The debate on shaping a financial system to sustain investments is a crucial task which economists, entrepreneurs, bankers, politicians and historians must accomplish together. Calling for papers from various discipline, the 14 Annual STOREP Conference aims to contribute to this task.

Possible topics for the conference sessions include, but are not limited to:

- alternative theories of investment,
- international finance,
- financial instability,
- financial crises,
- history and evolution of financial institutions,
- competing views in macroeconomics.

We are pleased to announce that distinguished colleagues will join the conference as keynote speakers:

- **L. Randall Wray** (University of Missouri–Kansas City),
- **Francesco Daveri** (Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore),
Besides plenary sessions, some parallel sessions will focus on the main topic of the conference; proposals of papers on all fields of the history of economic thought are also welcome.

Professor Marco Dardi will deliver the first “Raffaelli lecture”, elaborating on some of Tiziano Raffaelli’s main research topics.

Selected papers on the main topic of the conference will be published in a special issue of *History of Economic Ideas*.

**Proposals submission**

The deadline for abstract and session proposals is **February 28, 2017**. Notification of accepted and rejected abstracts and sessions will be sent by March 15, 2016.

**Abstract** proposals (with keywords, JEL codes, and affiliation) must not exceed 400 words. **Session** proposals (general description of not more than 600 words) should include the abstract of the three scheduled papers.

Proposals must be uploaded on the Submission website of the 14 Annual STOREP conference at: conference.storep.org (follow instructions by clicking on “instruct. For authors” in the right column menu).

**Important dates**

- **April 28, 2017**: Deadline for early registration (early fees).
- **May 21, 2017**: Deadline for late registration (late fee) and for submitting full papers.

All participants, including young scholars who apply for the awards, must become STOREP members or renew their membership.

All relevant information concerning registration fees, accommodation and programme will soon be published on this page of the association’s website, www.storep.org.

**Young Scholars STOREP Awards**

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2. The **STOREP Award** (of 500€) for the best article presented at the Annual Conference by young scholars under 40 years of age. All applications, with CV and the final version of the papers, should be sent to [segretario@storep.org](mailto:segretario@storep.org) no later than **September 15, 2017**.

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29th Annual EAEPE Conference: "The role of the State in Economic Development" (Budapest, 2017)

19-21 October, 2017 — Budapest, Hungary

**Conference Theme: The role of the State in Economic Development: State Capacity, State Autonomy and Economic Development**

The 29th EAEPE Annual Conference will take place in Budapest on 19-21 October 2017. The conference theme is inspired by the most recent history of political and economic transition in Central-and Eastern Europe. The topic is seen as an attempt of catching-up through the establishment of a successful socio-economic development model. The
theme invites contributions to consider the applicability of the legacies of previous and current development models with special regard to the role of state in designing and managing strategies of catching-up.

Abstract submission opens on the 16 of January 2017. Following the usual EAEPE format, prospective participants are invited to submit a paper on either the conference theme or one of the 25 EAEPE Research Areas. Abstracts (300-750 words) should include the following: the name(s), email address, affiliation of the authors, along with the name and code of the relevant Research Area. Following a notification of acceptance, a full paper will be invited.

Please have in mind that only one presentation per author is allowed; additional papers can be submitted by the same author but need to be presented by a registered co-author, if accepted by the scientific committee in advance.

Background to the 2017 Conference Theme

Development studies provide a variety of strategies and models that various states used for their catching-up and convergence. The concepts usually included strongly articulated state policies (intervention) to accelerate growth, establish solid institutional background, support business development, create potent innovation system and good quality education. The actual implementation depended on the world economic environment. Historically, successful cases were less frequent than failures. The good examples of Germany, Japan, South Korea, Finland and Ireland more recently and some other countries served as benchmark for others.

The latecomers who copied the elements of successful models of developmental state were usually less successful yet, in some cases good progress could be achieved with significant amendments or case specific combinations of these elements. The question could be put to what extent existing good practices could be copied? Another important question was the extent of state intervention. Was success achieved due to state guidance of development or was it rather a lucky coincidence of autonomous factors and Hayekian criticism on excessive state influence is due? Were development failures simply the result of mismanaged public policies, or were they due to the misinterpreted role of the state, along with a lack of expertise, capacity and autonomy for managing the process of catching-up?

These questions always received new attention when world economic setting changed. We are witnessing such fundamental changes today. The questions about the results and efficiency of existing development models under the circumstances of globalization emerge in a new light. What happened to Japan or South Korea? Have their “miracles” faded out because they reached their development targets of catching up, or are there inherent tensions in the models that were amplified by the process of globalization?

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What are the determinants of the new development success stories of China, Indonesia, India or Viet-Nam? What about their applicability in other countries and regions? How about the transition process in Central and Eastern Europe? Did these countries choose appropriate solutions? Was their development mode coherent?

What is the proper response of states to economic globalization, a process that transforms the world economy into an organic system? To what extent can the state still be a formative (f)actor in the era of constantly deepening economic interdependencies? Can the state be the main driving force for economic development by facilitating the integration of the national economy into the global market on the one hand and by moderating the vulnerability of certain sectors and actors of the national economy in a globalized world economy on the other? States are certainly not obsolete, but to what extent are they effective and capable in promoting economic development? And how have changes in technology, capital and communication transformed the state–society relationship in both successful and unsuccessful transformers? The several decades-old question on state capacity and state autonomy, i.e., whether these are prerequisites to a successful development or are they merely a consequence of successful catching up, is back again and is more relevant than ever.

Legacies and current options of avenues of economic development and catching-up offer substantial variety of topics and research methods. Scholars are encouraged to join the discussion of active state policies fostering economic development and opportunities, as well as the limitations of their applicability.

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**Special sessions**

The organization of special parallel sessions and roundtables are encouraged by the organizers. Conference participants are requested to submit complete session proposals by 20 March 2017 outlining the focus and objectives with 3-4 abstracts.

**Important Dates**

- **January 16, 2017:** abstract submission opens
- **March 20, 2017:** special session proposal deadline
- **May 15, 2017:** abstract submission deadline
- **June 15, 2017:** notification of abstract acceptance; registration opens
- **July 31, 2017:** early registration closes
- **September 15, 2017:** late registration closes (for authors to be included in the scientific programme).
- **September 15, 2017:** full papers submission deadline.

**Conference Fees** The conference fees and the EAEPE membership fees are denominated in Euros and are paid on the website of the association.

**Regular Rates**

- by 31 July 2017 - **190 €**
- after 31 July 2017 - **250 €**

**Special Rates**

- PhD/Masters students - **90 €**
- Subsidized fee (info see below) by 31 July 2017 - **100 €**
For participants from developing countries and regions particularly affected by crisis please apply in advance to Pasquale Tridico (tridico@uniroma3.it17) and Oliver Kessler (oliver.kessler@uni-erfurt.de18).

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Special Session @ 29th Annual EAEPE Conference on ”European Development Banks in Contemporary Capitalism” in cooperation with Research Area J: Monetary economics, finance and financial institutions

• Convenors: Daniel Mertens and Matthias Thiemann (Goethe University, Frankfurt am Main)

The current European crisis-cum-austerity regime has seen the (re-)emergence of a vital financial institution: state-owned development banks. As part of coordinated actions to spur investment in Europe (see the so-called Juncker Plan), as national policy-vehicles to mitigate credit crunches and offset fiscal consolidation, or as reanimated institutions to both safeguard old and foster new industries – banks such as the KfW in Germany, CDC in Italy or the EIB on the European level have made it considerably more often into headlines since the financial crisis than in the decades before. In alliance with the European Commission, several governments from Hungary to Portugal have only recently engaged in building a state-owned development institution. However, scholarship has not reflected much on this trend. We do not know much about the political economy of these banks, neither regarding their capacities and governance mechanisms, nor with respect to their activities. Likewise, we know very little about them as financial organizations, located on the ever precarious borderline between state actors and financial markets and firms, displaying a great variety across Europe.

In line with this year’s EAEPE conference theme “The Role of the State in Economic Development - State Capacity, State Autonomy and Economic Development”, we intend to organize one or two panels on European development banks and tackle the identified

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research gaps. Most specifically we are interested in, but not confined to, the following questions:

- Which factors facilitate the growth of development banks and their organizational devices? Is it best to capture them as tools for governments and policy-makers? Or are they better understood as financial institutions with their own agenda?

- What does the growth of these banks mean for the evolution of the European crisis? How do they relate to other crisis actors and mechanisms such as the ECB, national governments, European bodies, or rating agencies? How do they figure in the construction of European integration?

- Which cleavages and conflicts do these borderline actors face in an era characterized by neoliberalism and austerity? Where can one find evidence of inter- and cross-institutional cooperation or competition?

- How can we make sense of development banks in a comparative perspective, both historically and cross-sectional? How do they fit into theories of capitalist diversity, institutional and policy-diffusion, and path-dependent economic development? What are the instances of collaboration and hierarchies/hegemony when it comes to development banks in the European core and those in the periphery?

- And last but not least: to what extent are state-owned development banks contested institutions with regard to their potential for socioeconomic transformation? To what extent do they already fulfil this potential, with respect to specific socioeconomic and environmental goals?

This session welcomes contributions with interdisciplinary perspectives and is interested in a broad range of research methods and cases. We encourage contributions from all stages of academic involvement, but no less from practitioners in NGOs and public (financial) institutions. Submissions will also be screened as potential contributions for an edited book on this topic we are currently preparing.

Please send abstracts and/or inquiries until 10 March 2017 to thiemann@soz.uni-frankfurt.de (cc: mertens@soz.uni-frankfurt.de), on the basis of which we will submit the session proposal to EAEPE.

6th CIRIEC International Research Conference on Social Economy (Manaus, 2017)

29 November – 3 December, 2017 — Universidade Federal do Amazonas, Manaus, Brazil

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Call for abstracts and sessions coordination

From November 29 to December 3, 2017 at the Universidade Federal do Amazonas, Manaus (Brasil), will be held the 6th International Research Conference on Social and Solidarity Economy with as general theme "Social and Solidarity Economy, Sustainability and Innovation: facing former and new social issues".

Researchers interested in presenting a communication or in coordinating a session dedicated to a specific topic are invited to submit a proposal. They will have to submit a title proposal for a specific thematic session and/or an abstract of their communication (no more than 150 words) by 20 February.

Early March the program will be settled including the specific themes and sessions proposed by the organization and by the accepted researchers’ proposals.

Simultaneously and until March 15 the call for abstracts remains open. By the end of March the organization will inform about abstract selection, namely if the abstract is accepted for oral presentation or in poster form.

Abstracts can be submitted in English, French, Portuguese or Spanish and should be sent to: abstracts.manaus.2017@gmail.com

More details can be found at the CIRIEC website.

8th Annual Conference of the AESOP 'Sustainable food planning' group (Coventry, 2017)

7-8 November, 2017 — Hosted by the Centre for Agroecology, Water and Resilience, Coventry University, Coventry, UK,

Note: Approximate dates. Final dates to be confirmed in March.

Theme: Re-imagining sustainable food planning, building resourcefulness: Food movements, insurgent planning and heterodox economics

After seventeen years from its early conceptualisation, and ten years on from its institutionalisation (Van der Valk and Viljoen 2014), sustainable food planning is a thriving transdisciplinary research and policy field bringing together policy makers, academics, and practitioners across the globe. Food charters, food strategies and food policy councils have multiplied, ‘alternative food networks’ have gained significant and growing
shares of the food market and new forms of localisation of food production, including urban agriculture, are gaining ground and becoming central components of new food policy strategies.

Yet, the scale and speed of the ‘food’ crisis make us see these achievements as modest and utterly inadequate. Urban food poverty and malnutrition, and the related use of food banks, are on the rise even in some of the most wealthy countries of the world; the most vulnerable populations in both the global North and South are unshielded by austerity politics, food-commodity speculation, landgrabbing or staple food price rises. Diet related diseases (such as diabetes and obesity) are growing at alarming rates among children in the supposedly ‘well-fed’ countries of the world. We still waste between 30% and 50% of the food we produce while millions of farmers and land workers growing our food across the globe are struggling to make a living. And the environmental impacts of our food ‘regime’ and diets are devastating.

Planning for sustainable food production and food provision is more than ever urging us to look for more effective, equitable and just approaches that radically change not only the way we grow food, but the very core of our living space.

This 8 annual conference of the AESOP sustainable food planning group is dedicated to discussing ideas, approaches and practices that can help to re-invent food planning in light of the need to build a resourceful, agroecological, urbanism.

Inspired by a seminal paper from Derickson and MacKinnon (2013), we use the term ‘resourceful’ as a particular way of intending the concept of ‘resilience’: an urbanism that creates the conditions for its inhabitants to control the means of their social reproduction, to have a say on, or directly control, the resources for their own survival; a space where land, water and nutrients serve the needs of the people (rather than profit), while respecting the ecosystem. A ‘resourceful’ urbanism creates living conditions that enable people to be resilient while at the same time challenging the root causes of the crisis that require us to look for resilience.

With ‘agroecological’ we explicitly refer to practices aligned to ‘peasant agroecology’ and the agroecology movement: a way of cultivating the soil, managing ecological relations and disposing of the produce that respects the environment and is based on cultural and social arrangements inspired by solidarity and mutuality.

By ‘urbanism’ we refer to more than just buildings, zoning or planning. We refer to ensembles of the built environment and its regulation, the material infrastructure and the collective arrangements (for food provision, waste collection, land management, urban design, housing, energy and so forth) that are in place and to which we are all subjected. We include the urban, the peri-urban and the rural realm, and reflect on their mutual interconnections and dependencies.

While food has entered the planning agenda more than a decade ago, a resourceful and
agroecological urbanism – which is more than closing metabolic loops through urban agriculture - is yet to be conceptualised. An urbanism in which food is not the latest ‘fix’ to be added as a new way to market, but rather a key and long forgotten component around which new and just social arrangements, ecological practices and ways of life must be reinvented.

In this conference we look for contributions that valorise and bring to the fore the multiplicity of marginal, residual, heterodox or unheard experiences, policies, concepts and practices that are already creating new worlds in innovative and socially just ways, and/or bear the potential of becoming building blocks of sustainable food planning for a resourceful, agroecological, urbanism.

We are also interested in critical contributions that reflect on how current mainstream approaches to food production, food strategies and urban agriculture can be/are being radically transformed into tools for resourcefulness.

Presentations can have a practical, theoretical, political or methodological focus.

We particularly look for critical contributions that address one or more of the following five sub-themes:

1. theoretical re-conceptualisations of urbanism (and its peri-urban and rural surroundings) in relation to food planning (including discussions on the interlink between new and old urban and agrarian questions; critical discussions on planetary urbanisation, post-suburbia, insurgent urbanism; new ontological and epistemological definitions of urbanism; etc.)

2. political processes and strategies (urban political agroecology; pathways for radicalising and/or steering local, national or global agri-food strategies; experiences of people’s led urban food policies and planning; justice and rights-based legal challenges; urban-based food, water and land access movements; experiences linking agrarian and urban food sovereignty movements; community self-organisation; etc.)

3. resourceful land management (including, for example, land reforms and land tax; common good land use; regulation or incentives that turns urban vacant spaces into food producing sites; regulation of private property rights in relation to land depletion and environmental degradation; innovative waste and nutrients management in urban areas; land and water rights; urban metabolism; innovative and radical ways to reshape urban-rural links);

4. urban agroecological practices (including for example experiences that experiment with food producing and socio-environmentally just urban agriculture, urban agroforestry, urban permaculture, organic indoor production, rooftop and vertical
growing, edible public space; foraging-enabled urban planning and design; urban water management; etc.);

5. **post-capitalist economics** (including food de-commodification, solidarity and shared economy, micro-farming, urban patchwork farms, community kitchens, food commoning and conviviality, alternative currencies, new urban commons sharing food, housing, and livelihoods, etc…),

We are open to receiving papers that draw either from the Global North or the Global South, but we also encourage contributions that reflect on the cross fertilisation and reciprocal learning among these geographical contexts.

We would like to tailor as many sessions as possible to the needs and language of non-academics such as local policy makers, practitioners and activists. Please indicate if you are willing to do so when sending your abstract.

**Membership**

Note: this conference is open to all, academics, practitioners, civil servants and grassroots activists – members and non-members of the AESOP ‘Sustainable food planning’ group. We encourage participants to join the group -which is free of charge- by emailing the secretary (Arnold Van Der Valk, a.vdvalk@chello.nl) and joining our JISC mailing list here.

To submit your abstract, please fill in the form [here](https://goo.gl/forms/dHR2LSXFx5zz7mXo2).

**Deadline for submission of abstracts: 1 April 2017**

**Conference outputs**

Beside the conference proceedings, which will be published online after the conference, we are looking to produce one or more high-quality academic publications (a book, a journal special issue or both) with the most interesting works presented at the conference. Participants that wish to be considered for selection will be asked to send a draft of their paper (min 3000 words) in advance of the conference. More details will follow.

**Key dates:**

- Call for papers released: end of January 2017
- Abstract submission deadline: 1 April 2017

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• Notification of acceptance: by 31 May 2017
• Registration opens: 1 June 2017
• Registration ‘early birds’ ends: 15 July 2017
• Deadline for long abstracts/draft papers (3000 words): 31 July 2017
• Deadline for full papers: 1 November 2017

For any further question:  AESOPSFP2017conf@gmail.com


21-22 July 2017, Binghamton University, Binghamton, NY, US


We welcome proposals for individual papers as well as paper sessions, book sessions, and panel discussions. Inquiries and proposals may be sent to: worldecology2017@gmail.com


Two important currents of critical thought have gained special prominence over the past decade: the Marxist critique of capitalist ecology, and the feminist critique of unpaid work and social reproduction in capitalist development. This conference explores how these perspectives are not only helpful – but necessary – to each other in the analysis of capitalism’s diverse forms of exploitation, appropriation, and domination. The observation that capitalism works simultaneously in and through bodies, landscapes, and the biosphere remains, however, undertheorized and inadequately historicized. Rather than consider gendered and ecological forms of violence and appropriation as discrete historical domains, the conference seeks to open questions concerning their mutual constitution. Especially important, in this light, is the centrality of unpaid work – delivered by “women, nature, and colonies” (Mies) – in the history of capitalism, including the 21st century’s conjuncture of climate change, financial instability, and a wildly expanding “surplus humanity.” We are especially interested in papers that open space for rethinking of capitalism and capital accumulation in the web of life, and in its manifold forms of

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colonial, racialized, and gendered violence. Papers may be regional or global, empirical or conceptual.

We invite established and younger scholars – as well as activists and others outside the university system – to contribute papers on these themes as well as broader questions posed by the world-ecology conversation.

Possible topics include (but are not limited to):

- Queering Accumulation
- Race, Gender, and Colonialism
- Social Reproduction and Class Struggle
- The Political Ecology and Political Economy of Unpaid Work
- Women, Work, and Modes of Re/Production
- Nature, Gender, and Industrialization
- Neoliberalism, Gender, and ‘Disposable’ Workers
- Commodity Frontiers: Households, Imperialisms, Capitalisms
- Gender and Transitions to Capitalism
- Value Relations, Unpaid Labor, and Capital Accumulation
- Commodity Chains as Racial, Gender, and Colonial Violence
- Women, Nature, and colonies as Frontiers of Appropriation and Exploitation
- Depletion and Devaluation within Capitalized Ecologies
- Racialized and Gendered Accumulation Strategies
- The Politics of Care Work

WE WILL ALSO ACCEPT PAPERS ON OTHER TOPICS WITHIN A BROADLY RELATIONAL PERSPECTIVE ON SOCIO-ECOLOGICAL CHANGE, INCLUDING:

- Literature in the Capitalist World-Ecology
- The Nature of Combined and Uneven Development

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Session on “Resisting and Reproducing Accumulation by Appropriation: The Capitalist State, Capitalist Natures, and the Alternatives”

This session is organized around the urgent political need for both new conceptualizations and new empirical analyses of the specific ways that the state continues to appropriate Cheap Natures for capital, and how varied resistance movements to this process are taking shape. By addressing these questions in contemporary and historical perspectives, drawing on expertise from different disciplines (geography, sociology, history and anthropology, among others), we seek to better understand how the state and capitalism produce a historical nature and are produced through their metabolic relation with it, and how alternatives to this process are being formulated. Central to this task is an analysis of the capitalist state, which “appropriates nature for capital directly by force; during conquest, enclosure and the creation of functional property rights; and indirectly
by its development of landscape and its infrastructure.” (Parenti, 2014).

This CFP focuses on the politics of accumulation by appropriation (Moore, 2015). This has two principal dimensions: 1) how the state has co-produced regimes of appropriating the unpaid work of human and extra-human natures; and 2) how social movements have resisted appropriations by states and capitals. We seek papers that address the (de) politicisation of property laws, infrastructure, nature, and unpaid labour; the co-production of different natures offered by social movements and political projects as an alternative to capitalism and its limits; and related topics.

Interested participants should send abstracts to Alejandro de Coss (j.de-coss-corzo@lse.ac.uk) by 15 February, 2017.

References


Heterodox Stream at Annual Meeting of the Society for Social Studies of Science (Boston, 2017)

30 August – 2 September, 2017 — Annual Meeting of the Society for Social Studies of Science (4S), Boston, Massachusetts, USA

CALL FOR PAPERS for the Panel #68: "TECHNOSCIENCE RENT"

Organizer

- Kean Birch, York University, Canada

Discussant

- Steve Fuller, University of Warwick, UK

Abstract

As an increasing number of 'things' (e.g. infrastructure, student debt, medical care, personal data, sunlight, etc.) are turned into assets, it is necessary to work out how value is appropriated from those assets through new forms of 'rentiership' (or rent-seeking).

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Often presented as the dark side of innovation and entrepreneurship, rent-seeking comes in many forms, including: government fiat (e.g. GHG emissions); monopoly (e.g. intellectual property); organizational arrangements (e.g. business models); and market configurations (e.g. value chains and networks, platforms). It is helpful to build on and go beyond the assumptions built into both Marxist and neoclassical economic literatures that rent-seeking is a problematic activity that distorts or corrupts the ‘naturalized’ working of capitalism or free markets. As such, the purpose of this open panel is to consider these different forms of rentiership as they constitute and are constituted by different forms of technoscience, in order to unpack the concept analytically and empirically and its political and normative implications for science, technology, and innovation. The panel welcomes papers on different forms of rentiership in technoscience, different conceptions of rentiership drawing on Marxist, neoclassical, and other traditions, and discussions of the analytical, political, and normative usefulness of rentiership as a concept.

**Process**

The deadline for submitting an abstract is **1 March 2017**. If you want to participate in this open track then you will need to select it when you submit your abstract through the 4S Conference Website: [http://www.4sonline.org/meeting](http://www.4sonline.org/meeting). If you would like to discuss the relevance of your paper to the open track, then please feel free to contact me: [kean@yorku.ca](mailto:kean@yorku.ca)

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**History of Economics Society Conference (Toronto, 2017): Deadline Extended**

22-26 June, 2017 — University of Toronto, Canada

**DEADLINE EXTENDED to 17th of February**

The annual HES Conference will take place in downtown Toronto, at the University of Toronto, 22 – 26 June 2017. Papers dealing with any aspect of the history of economic thought are welcome, including work related to any period or any school of economic thought. Also welcome are papers that situate economics in wider intellectual and cultural contexts or relate it to other disciplines.

Although we welcome proposals for individual papers, proposals for complete sessions are especially encouraged. To propose a paper, please submit an abstract of less than 250 words. To propose a session, please submit an abstract of less than 500 words that lists all participants, titles and very brief descriptions of the papers to be included.

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Proposals for both papers and sessions can be sent to evelyn.forget@umanitoba.ca and copied to hes@uwosh.edu.

Please use HES2017 in the subject line.

**YOUNG SCHOLARS**

The HES provides support for several Warren J. and Sylvia J. Samuels Young Scholars to present papers at the conference, in the form of free registration, banquet and reception tickets, and a year’s membership in the society. Some of the Young Scholars awardees will also receive a grant of $500 to cover travel and other costs. If you wish to have your paper considered for the Young Scholars program, please provide details your current graduate student status when submitting your paper proposal and indicate that you wish to be considered for the Samuels Young Scholars program. A Young Scholar must be a current PhD candidate, or have been awarded a PhD in 2015 or later.

**INQUIRIES** should be addressed to:

- Evelyn Forget, President Elect (HES)
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**International Conference on "Finance and Growth in the Aftermath of the Crisis" (Milan, 2017)**

11-13 September, 2017 — Milan, Italy

The Department of Economics, Management and Quantitative Methods (DEMM) of the University of Milan and the Department of Management (DM) of the Polytechnic University of Marche organize a 3-day International Conference with a special focus on the new role played by finance and financial institutions on long-term economic growth. The aim of the conference, to be held in Milan on 11-13 September 2017, is to re-examine, from different analytical and methodological perspectives, the effects of finance on the real side of the economy, and to discuss how finance can shape the sources of sustainable economic growth in the light of the recent global crisis. Another theme of the conference is the analysis of what public policy should actually do in order to achieve such objectives as a more stable financial system, a more equitable income distribution, and a more efficient resource allocation, along with a higher rate of per-capita output growth.

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Topics:

The Conference aims at answering the following questions: How can finance affect the functioning of the canonical engines of long-term economic growth in the wake of the recent global crisis? Following this crisis, how have the ultimate sources of long-run economic growth changed? What can public policy do in order to encourage a fairer/more efficient distribution/allocation of income/resources along with a better living-standard? In more detail, the topics touched by the Conference will include, but will not be limited to, the following:

- Finance, R&D, Innovation, and Growth;
- Finance, Technology Diffusion, and Growth;
- Finance, Financial Stability, and Growth;
- Finance, Institutions, and Growth;
- Growth beyond GDP: Finance for Green, Blue and Sustainable Economies
- Government, Public Policy, Welfare, Income Distribution, and Growth;
- New International and Regional Trade Patterns, Multinational Firms, Foreign Direct Investments, and Growth;

In the analysis of the above-mentioned issues, the Conference is totally opened to different (i.e., theoretical, empirical, historical, etc.) methodologies and approaches (mainstream/non-mainstream, aggregative/agent-based models, etc.).

Scientific Committee:

- Prof. Costas AZARIADIS (Washington University, St. Louis, USA)
- Prof. Alberto BUCCI (University of Milan)
- Prof. Guido COZZI (University of St. Gallen, Switzerland)
- Prof. Herbert DAWID (University of Bielefeld, Germany)
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- Dr. Stefano NERI (Bank of Italy)
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Prospective participants should submit a draft version of the paper (or an abstract of at least 200 and no more than 1000 words) no later than June 15, 2017 to finance.growth@unimi.it. Kindly attach your draft/abstract to a cover page giving your name, title, affiliation, address, phone number, fax number, and e-mail address. If your draft/abstract is accepted, your final paper will be due in complete form by August 31, 2017.

TIME SCHEDULE:

- Deadline for the submission of the draft paper/abstract: June 15, 2017
- Notification of acceptance to author(s): July 15, 2017
- Authors’ registration to the conference: July 31, 2017
- Deadline for the submission of the final paper to the conference: August 31, 2017
- Conference takes place: September 11-13, 2017

PUBLICATION OF PAPERS:

The organizers of the conference have received tentative approval from the editors of the following Journals:

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for a proposed special issue based on papers from the conference. All conference papers considered for each special issue will be refereed and go through the Journals’ usual review process.

CONFERENCE FEES:

- €300 if the payment is received by July, 31. After this date, the fee is €350.
- The fee covers conference-pack, attendance to sessions, lunch-buffet, refreshment breaks and gala dinner.
- 100% of the conference-fee will be charged to all registered individuals who withdraw after the registration deadline (July 31, 2017)
- All participants will be required to provide for their own expenses. Details on accommodation opportunities will be available in due course.

Further Information can be found here: Research Center on Finance and Growth (University of Milan, DEMM)\textsuperscript{40}

\textbf{International Conference on Complex Systems (Cancun, 2017)}

17-22 September, 2017 — Cancun, Mexico

The scientific study of complex systems offers a method for understanding how elements interact to give rise to global properties, while at the same time these properties constrain elements. Bringing together scholars and students from all fields, the flagship conference of the Complex Systems Society\textsuperscript{41} will go to Latin America for the first time in 2017. The Mexican complex systems community is enthusiastic to welcome colleagues to one of our richest destinations: Cancun.

The conference will include presentations by the recipient of the Nobel Prize in Chemistry Mario Molina (environment), Raissa D’Souza (network science), Ramulfo Romo (neuroscience), Jaime Urrutia-Fucugauchi (geophysics), Antonio Lazcano (origins of life), Marta González (human mobility), Dirk Brockmann (epidemiology), Stefano Battiston

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\textsuperscript{41}http://unam.us15.list-manage.com/tracking?utm_id=153641557a&em=1101984f3d
We invite abstract contributions (500 words maximum) for oral presentations or posters in the following tracks:

- Foundations of Complex Systems
- Information and Communication Technologies
- Cognition and Linguistics
- **Economics and Finance**
- **Infrastructures, Planning and Environment**
- Biological and (Bio)Medical Complexity
- **Socio-Ecological Systems**
- Complexity in Physics and Chemistry

Upload your abstracts at [https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=ccs17](https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=ccs17)

**Important dates:**

- Abstract deadline: March 10
- Notifications of Acceptance: April 21

More details about the CCS Conference can be found [here](http://ccs17.unam.mx).

**International Workshop on ”Finance as a response to global environmental crises?” (Hamburg, 2017)**

29 November – 1 December, 2017 — Hosted by the Centre for Globalisation and Governance, Universität Hamburg, Germany

**Conveners:** Eve Chiapello (EHESS Paris) and Anita Engels (Universität Hamburg)

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[43](http://ccs17.unam.mx)
Theme: "Finance as a response to global environmental crises? Critical analysis of the 'economicization' of carbon emissions and biodiversity"

In this conference we look at the ways finance is applied to convert capitalism from the source of global environmental crises into a provider of responses to these crises. Reaching a zero-carbon emission economy and maintaining biodiversity and ecosystem integrity are presented by international organizations and national policymakers as decisive goals for the future of humankind. While it is clear that such goals cannot be achieved without radical transformations in the established forms of social organization associated with the operation of the global economy, modes of production and consumption, and more generally dominant ways of life and value systems, they are also said to require the ‘enrolment’ of major economic actors to realize massive new investments in ‘green’ technologies and ‘sustainable’ infrastructures. The industrial and financial sectors have historically been part of the framing and making of the present situation. Also, since the 1970s, those sectors have played a growing role in the definition, government and management of environmental problems. This may explain why there are so many initiatives, tools and instruments, programs and projects that rely on economic and/or financial instruments, such as carbon trading schemes, green bonds, the carbon divestment movement, compensation finance and ecosystem services finance, REDD+ contracts, and venture capital for sustainability.

Some of these initiatives and programs aim at “internalizing negative externalities” by making the production of environmental harm more costly, while others are designed to incentivize solutions. A first set of such ecological reform projects is founded on the construction of markets, for example to determine a price for carbon emissions through tradable ‘emission rights’, or to define the monetary value of ecosystem services through payment schemes that reward natural processes. Another set of approaches directly targets financial actors through responsible investment initiatives or financial activism, seeking to change ‘unsustainable’ financial practices and reorient global financial flows. A final set of projects are mainly designed to attract private investors to green projects, for example through special investment vehicles.

The conference aims at documenting the different processes that turn the problems of climate change and biodiversity loss into economic issues, and then into business or financial opportunities. We are interested in the general dynamics: how, by what means and through what instruments, does this transformation take place and what does it produce?

To ensure some degree of focus and comparability, priority will be given to proposals on initiatives promoting low-carbon solutions and biodiversity protection, particularly for wetlands and forests. Forests are especially interesting, as they are simultaneously carbon sinks and biodiversity reserves. This means they are being promoted by natural capital modelling for two distinct reasons which are not commonly addressed with the same instruments. The purpose of the conference is to connect research specialized in
these different fields (carbon emissions, wetlands, forests) by building up a cross-field analysis, as the processes concerned appear to be highly comparable.

We welcome papers from a variety of disciplines such as sociology, political sciences, critical geography, history, anthropology, ecological economics, political economics, or science and technology studies.

We strongly welcome papers presenting empirical case-studies of financial instruments, innovations or initiatives, that go beyond the discursive level and enable us to understand how such devices actually work.

Questions to be considered may include, but are not limited to:

- **Actors involved in the development of these innovations:** What are their previous trajectories, motivations, initiatives, and strategies? How does cooperation/interaction unfold between public and private actors (e.g. governments, think tanks, international bodies, NGOs, financial investors, transnational companies, development banks, consultants, and intermediaries)? How are critical actors reacting to the deployment of these financial instruments? What kinds of debates are springing up over the forms of valuation?

- **Origins of devices:** What are the trajectories and the genealogy of these devices? How do they succeed in becoming policy instruments? What are the respective roles of financial and insurance valuation techniques, of science? How does financial and scientific expertise combine in these devices? How do they connect different conceptions of risk (environmental and financial)? How are climate scientists and biodiversity experts involved in the making of these financial instruments?

- **Political economy of devices:** How do valuation and management devices, contractual agreements, etc. distribute rights and duties, organize the circulation of money between parties, and construct accountability? How far do they contribute to the ‘economicization’ or even an actual financialization of these issues?

- **Legal, ideological and political aspects of the rise of marketized and financialized solutions:** what legal changes are necessary? Do these devices develop through voluntary guidelines and other soft-law tools or with the help of (and coercive) legislation? What shifts in the philosophy and rules of public spending or intervention can be observed? What are the discourses legitimating these changes, and what discursive oppositions or counter-narratives can be observed?

- **Responsibility, accountability and legitimacy issues:** Who is made responsible for what? How is responsibility and/or accountability discussed, attributed or denied? How is public support for marketized solutions generated and legitimacy constructed?
• **Public policy:** What is the role of public policies in the development of these devices? How do political dynamics – negotiation, compromise, competition, etc. – play out in the design and “public life” of financial instruments?

• **Epistemic dimensions:** What kind of knowledge is used to design financial instruments? How do economics and economists influence the creation of market-based instruments and “format” financial innovations? What is the role of “knowledge brokers” like think tanks and international organizations?

• **Historical perspectives:** What previous experimentations or traditions paved the way for current innovations? How does such a historical perspective change our understanding of the rise of financialized solutions?

• **Global financialization:** How are these economic instruments given a transnational dimension? How are they developed in non-OECD countries? Are they (re)shaping North/South relationships in the regulation of climate change and biodiversity protection?

Contributors are invited to submit an initial proposal of up to 800 words plus references.

These proposals should be sent by email to greenfinconf@ehess.fr by May 22, 2017. The proposals must include a title and at least 5 keywords. The research question, the data used and the methodology should also be clearly stated.

Authors will be notified mid-June 2017 whether their proposals have been accepted. Accepted authors are required to send a full paper (maximum 12,000 words) by November 6, 2017. A limited number of grants will be available to cover travel and residence costs (further details after acceptance).

The organizing committee comprises Sara Aguiton (CNRS), Stefan C. Aykut (INRA-LISIS, Centre Marc Bloch Berlin), Eve Chiapello (EHESS Paris), Anita Engels (Universität Hamburg), Michael Kunkis (Universität Hamburg) Camille Riviere (PhD, EHESS Paris).

**International Workshop on ”Innovation in Emerging Economies” (Berlin, 2017)**

13-14 July, 2017 — Technical University Berlin, Berlin, Germany

**Background and Research Topics**
Technological upgrading of emerging economies is a multidimensional process based on a broad understanding of innovation. It is a multi-level process and at its core is structural change in various dimensions: technological, industrial, organisational. It is also an outcome of global forces embodied in trade, global value chain (GVC) participation and investment flows as well as local strategies pursued by host country firms and governments. The changing nature of new technologies coupled with the proliferation of GVCs leads to new patterns of technology upgrading (or lack of it) about which we have limited in-depth knowledge. Innovation that takes place in emerging economies may be present through different forms of ‘hidden innovation’ like improvements in production capability, upgrading through engineering, new forms of software support or new business models. In short, there is need to understand better not only the scale but also scope of innovation activities in emerging economies. The aim of the workshop is to generate new and policy oriented empirical evidence and new conceptual understanding of technology upgrading and innovation in emerging economies. We intend to deepen the knowledge about BRICS economies as well as less researched emerging economies. We invite submissions addressing, but not limited to, the following topics:

- **Measurement and indicators:** This research refers to new measurement approaches and indicators of technological upgrading and innovation in emerging economies. It includes studies based on official statistical data, patents measures, bibliometric information, or survey evidence.

- **Sector and technological dynamics:** This research area deals with the emergence and developmental prospects of new technologies and industrial sectors including, for example e-mobility, robotics, renewable energies, 3D printing.

- **New innovation patterns and business models:** This line of research focuses on technological and innovation capability building in emerging economies. This includes firm level case studies on innovation patterns and business models specific to emerging economies such as frugal innovation.

- **Foreign direct investment (FDI), Multinational enterprises (MNEs) and innovation:** Related studies focus on the interaction between FDI and innovation in emerging economies. This includes research on innovation by foreign MNEs in emerging economies, technological linkages between foreign firms and domestic firms as well as technology sourcing by emerging market MNEs.

- **GVCs dynamics:** This research area investigates the interaction of GVC participation and the technological development in emerging economies. It links to research on the position of emerging economies in global innovation networks/systems as well new evidence on firm level and industrial upgrading.

- **Innovation policy:** This research area addresses policy approaches and mixes of innovation, industrial and FDI policy to stimulate technological development in emerging economies.
Local Organizing Committee

- Knut Blind (Technical University Berlin, DE)
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- Björn Jindra (Copenhagen Business School, DK)
- Michael Nauruschat (Technical University Berlin, DE)
- Tong-Yaa Su (University of Bremen, DE)

Publication possibilities

Submissions presented at the conference are considered for publication in two special issues related to the conference theme scheduled for publication in 2018.

- Technological Forecasting and Social Change invites submission for a special issue on “Exploring Technology Upgrading of Emerging and Transition Economies: From ‘Shifting Wealth I’ to ‘Shifting Wealth II’?” See here for the call for papers.

- The International Journal of Technological Learning, Innovation and Development invites submissions for special issue on “Technological Upgrading and Innovation in Emerging Economies”.

Acknowledgment

The workshop is financially supported by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) within the framework of projects funded for Innovation and Technology Analysis (ITA).

Important dates

- Submission for extended abstracts: 30 March 2017
- Notification of acceptance: 30 April 2017
- Registration deadline: 1 July 2017

45 http://www.journals.elsevier.com/technological-forecasting-and-social-change
Please send your submissions to: inno.emergingeconomies@uni-bremen.de

More information on the workshop can be found here and here.

Journal of Australian Political Economy (JAPE): Call for a Special Issue on ”Global Economic Inequalities and Development”

Submitted papers are invited for a proposed special issue of this journal on global economic inequalities that impede development.

The geographical scope of much existing research on ‘development’ emphasises the ‘global south’. But the prospects for development in the global south are linked to global economic inequalities – between south and north, east and west, and both within and between nations. In recognition of these interrelationships, the proposed special issue has a global focus that emphasises intersections between political economy and postcolonialism; across class, institutions, and race; and between theory and practice. Topics could include, but are not limited to, the following:

- global economic inequality;
- postcolonialism;
- gender, ethnicity and class relations;
- internal and international migration;
- poverty, development and the SDGs

Preference will be given to submissions that address overarching themes and regional dynamics rather than self-contained country studies (with the possible exception of larger emerging economies).

Papers should be submitted by May 1st 2016. General guidelines for all JAPE contributors are shown at the end of this issue of the journal.

For more information about the proposed special issue please contact the guest editors:

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More details can be found here.53

**Labor and Employment Relations Association (LERA) @ ASSA (Philadelphia, 2018)**

5-7 January, 2018 — Allied Social Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, US

Theme: "Robust Labor Markets and Employment Relationships: Policy and Research"

The Labor and Employment Relations Association (LERA) Program Committee seeks paper and session proposals offering original and high-quality research related to the theme, *Robust Labor Markets and Employment Relationships: Policy and Research* for its **2018 Winter Meeting in Philadelphia, Jan. 5-7, 2019 (Fri, Sat, Sun)** held in conjunction with the Allied Social Sciences Association (ASSA).

**Deadline for proposals is March 9, 2017.**

To submit a proposal please see our guidelines for submissions.54

**Note that paper presenters must be LERA members. Note our *new* paper competition held in conjunction with the **ILR Review**.**

**LERA Program Committee for the 2018 LERA Winter Meeting:**

Jeannette Wicks-Lim, Co-Chair, University of Massachusetts-Amherst; Susan Houseman, Co-Chair, W.E. Upjohn Institute; Katharine Abraham, University of Maryland; Teresa Ghilarducci, The New School for Social Research; Barry T. Hirsch, Georgia State University; Alex Mas, Princeton University; Larry Mishel, Economic Policy Institute; Samuel L. Myers, University of Minnesota; Jesse Rothstein, University of California, Berkeley; Till Von Wachter, UCLA; William Spriggs, AFL-CIO and Howard University; and Sanford Jacoby, Co-Chair, University of California, Los Angeles (ex officio)

**Union for Radical Political Economics @ ASSA (Philadelphia, 2018)**

5-7 January, 2018 — Philadelphia, US

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54 https://lera.memberclicks.net/2018-call-for-proposals-lera-winter-meeting
URPE invites proposals for complete sessions and individual papers for the URPE at ASSA annual meeting. URPE welcomes proposals on radical political economic theory and applied analysis from a wide variety of theoretical perspectives. The deadline for proposed papers and sessions is May 1, 2017.

Proposals for complete sessions are encouraged and should include the session title, a brief description of each paper, and the names, institutional affiliations, and email addresses of the chair, discussants, and presenters. Proposals for sessions should contain four papers. If you are proposing a complete session, please try to arrange to have discussants for your papers and a chair for your session. As the organizer of this session, you are responsible for conveying administrative information to session members, including confirmation that the session has been accepted, the time and location, and the deadlines for distributing papers.

Proposals for individual papers should include the title, the abstract, and the author’s name, institutional affiliation, and email. Individual papers that are accepted will be assigned to sessions and each session will have an assigned organizer. Individuals whose papers are accepted may also be asked to serve as a discussant in a different session at the meetings.

We regret that high quality individual papers may be turned down due to the inability to place them in a session with papers with similar themes. The number of sessions we can have is limited by ASSA, and we regret that high quality session proposals may also have to be turned down.

You should receive word from URPE about the decision on your session or paper by late June. The date and time of sessions are assigned by the AEA at the end of August.

Please note that anyone who presents a paper (but not the chairs or discussants) must be a current member of URPE at the time of submission of the paper or panel proposal. Submissions are checked, anyone not current with their dues is notified, and then proposals are deleted if membership is not made current. Membership information is available by clicking here.55

Applications for individual papers should be made to URPE@ASSA Individual Paper Proposals56, or for complete session submissions to URPE@ASSA Complete Session Proposals57.

If you have questions or problems with the online submission, please contact Armagan Gezici58.

55 http://urpe.org/?page=about_urpe&side=join_urpe_renew_urpe_annual_membership
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Proposals submitted after the May 1 deadline will not be considered.

**WEA Online Conference: ”Monetary Policy After The Global Crisis”**

*World Economics Association Open Online Conference*

**Key dates:**

- Paper submission: **August 10, 2017**
- Open Discussion Forum: **1st September – 1 October, 2017**

**Theme: ”How Important Are Economic (Divisia) Monetary Aggregates for Economic Policy?”**

This year marks the tenth anniversary of the greatest recession after 1929-33. The recent financial crisis has induced central banks to undertake substantial steps. These steps include quantitative easing or a renewed focus on the quantity of money in the economy. Therefore, our main goal is to establish a good forum for confronting of the opposite views about the causes and consequences of the Great Crisis. Specifically, some economists acknowledge the importance of proper money aggregation in preventing of the future economic slowdowns.

The aims of the conference include discussing key theoretical insights in order

- To provide a framework for improving monetary policy practices.
- To review and advance knowledge on the recent financial crisis regarding the main challenges and prospects of central banking
- To particularly survey and discuss the use of Divisia monetary aggregates and their potential role to address central bank challenges economic vulnerabilities

In sum, the conference aims to survey and discuss the recent theoretical advances in monetary tools, goals and policies, along with the latest empirical research findings with particular emphasis on the role and relevance of Divisia monetary aggregates. Indeed, this Conference will be one of the first, which in an extensive manner, tackles the problem of monetary aggregation after the Great crisis. The decisive questions to be addressed are

- How Important Are Economic (Divisia) monetary aggregates for contemporary economic policy?
Do Divisia monetary aggregates deserve more attention from both academic scholars and policy-makers?.

Main Topics:

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Central banks and monetary policy in post crisis era
- Financial stability and the role of monetary policy
- Crisis diagnosis and prediction models on monetary policy
- Comparative studies on monetary policy involving emerging and developed economies
- Composition of monetary aggregates
- Relevance of the Barnett critique to the simple-sum measures of monetary aggregates
- Monetary aggregates and GDP nowcasting
- Divisia index: development, theoretical background, empirical research, utilization in in monetary policy analysis, future research potential.

Submission

Authors are invited to submit a full paper to weamonetarypolicy@gmail.com by August 10, 2017.

Complete guidelines for manuscripts can be found here.

Leaders:

- Filip Fidanoski, University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg
- James Swofford, University of South Alabama, USA

More details are available here.

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WEA Online Conference: "Public Law & Economics: Economic Regulation and Competition Policies"

World Economics Association Open Online Conference

Key dates:

- Paper submission: April 17, 2017
- Open Discussion Forum: 15 May – 30 June, 2017

Theme: "Public Law & Economics: Economic Regulation and Competition Policies"

The main subject to be discussed in this next WEA Conference is the current challenges faced by economic regulation and competition policies 10 years after the beginning of the most recent world’s economic crises. In the past decade, companies aimed to compete and/or cooperate with each other in a world where technologies are changing rapidly, digital economies have emerged, and markets are global in scope, but free market economies started to face protectionism. Also, they have gradually tried to recover from the impact of the crisis in the current setting of high uncertainty and financial turbulence. At the same time, governments, sector regulators, competition authorities, and central banks have been working to minimize the impact of the crisis on the economy, to stabilize the financial system, to amend and introduce new regulations to ensure that the crisis does not repeat itself.

Public Law and Economics studies the use of economic principles for the analysis of public law, and can be used to promote better choices in policies and regulations that correct market failures, promote competition and increase gains in a given economy. The interaction between economic principles and public law is particularly important in a globalized context where new forms of market organization, the uncertainties of the digital economy, and new scenarios of abuse of economic power have emerged.

The next WEA Conference therefore aims to bring together renowned specialists in economic regulation, regulated sectors and competition law to debate those relevant issues. We believe that the discussions will enable academics and practitioners to: (i) discuss how sector regulators and competition authorities are interacting post-crises and how the economic analysis of law can help countries reach better regulation and competition policies; (ii) contribute with practical and theoretical references on the limits of economic power and forms of state intervention; (iii) deal with the uncertainties and challenges of the digital economy; (iv) gather relevant case studies and; (v) identify new trends in Law and Economics that have arisen post-crises.

Main topics:
Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- New post-crises trends on sector regulations and public policies
- Financial regulation after crises
- Legal transplant and legal borrowing
- Digital economies and sector regulation
- International, supranational and local changes on competition policies
- Competition law and innovation
- Competition law in Digital Markets
- Economic analysis of cartels
- Economic Regulation and Competition in developing countries
- Regulatory assessment

Submission

Authors are invited to submit a full paper to weaconference2017@gmail.com by April 17, 2017.

Complete guidelines for manuscripts can be found here.

Leaders:

- Prof. Vicente Bagnoli (Mackenzie University),
- Maria Fernanda Madi and Renny Reyes (Erasmus University)

More details are available here.

Graduate Student Conference on ”Capitalism in the Countryside” (Boston, 2017)

19-20 October, 2017 — Harvard University, Cambridge, Boston, US

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Capitalism in the Countryside: Before the City / Beyond the City

The organizing committee for the Harvard Graduate Conference on the History of Capitalism invites graduate students to submit proposals addressing this year’s theme: capitalism in the countryside.

In a world that continues to be mostly ocean, countryside, forest, and desert and with nearly half the world’s population still living and laboring in such locations, we seek to decenter the city and metropole and problematize progress narratives that render capitalist and urban formations inevitable. Proceeding outward from any world region, we hope to tackle a number of theoretical, historiographical, and methodological questions ranging from the origins of a capitalist world-system in the sixteenth century, to the relationship between slavery and capitalism, to the politics of development in the twenty-first century. These questions will touch on the changing ways in which people relate to land, water, and other materials and the claims they make on them; the power relationships that govern those claims; how life is imagined and sustained, how livelihoods are made and unmade, and how belonging is constructed and contested.

With this conference, we will bring together rising scholars from a range of disciplines and interdisciplines who study capitalism in non-urban locations. We particularly welcome submissions that address one or more of the following themes, but the list is suggestive only:

1. The expansion of the state / institutions / infrastructure
2. Fiscal transformation
3. The impact of development economics and state planning
4. Mechanization, automation, and workers’ control
5. Labor and migration
6. Gender, the subjugation of women engaged in production and social reproduction
7. Shifts in agriculture
8. Commodity frontiers
9. Transformations in land tenure, prices, and society attending integration into the global market
10. Peasant revolts and rural uprisings more generally, as well as other forms of resistance
11. Histories of material life, consumption, nutrition, famines
12. Rural capitalism vis-a-vis urban capitalism

Accepted papers will be grouped for presentation within three or four panels each composed of graduate students and faculty commentators from Harvard and elsewhere. Participants thus have the opportunity to receive extensive feedback and to engage in lively discussion with a diverse yet focused community of researchers from around the world.

The organizers invite graduate students to submit a 300-word proposal and one-page c.v. (in Word or PDF format) to capcon@fas.harvard.edu by March 1, 2017.

Successful proposals will be notified by March 15, 2017. We anticipate being able to reimburse reasonable travel and lodging expenses.

As the date approaches, additional information will be posted on the conference at studyofcapitalism.harvard.edu.

Call for Participants

11th EAEPE Summer School: "Structural change, institutions and economic development" (Rome, 2017)

19-23 June, 2017 — University Roma Tre, Italy

The theme of this year’s Summer School is: STRUCTURAL CHANGE, INSTITUTIONS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The EAEPE Summer School is open to PhD students and early-career researchers working in particular in the field of institutional and evolutionary analysis, with a special focus this year on structural change, aggregate demand, institutions and economic development. Teachers will address these important topics from different perspectives and approaches. In the spirit of pluralism characteristic of the EAEPE, many Research Areas are relevant: human development, environment-economy interactions, methodology of economics, institutional history, comparative economics, transition economics, institutional change, innovation and technology, and labour economics. More generally, contributions from all fields using institutional, multidisciplinary approaches are welcome. Lectures by internationally-renowned scholars will be given in the morning, while afternoons will be devoted to presentations by advanced scholars.
PhD students and early-career researchers, who will thus benefit from comments and suggestions from experts in the field.

Please find attached the programme of the 11 EAEPE Summer School, frequent updates are posted on the website here. Please apply online for the EAEPE Summer School.

The Summer School is organized by Pasquale Tridico and Sebastiano Fadda.

Contact: Queries about the 11 EAEPE Summer School should be addressed to summerschool@eaepe.org

2nd International Philosophy Political Economics (PPE) Conference on "Transformation: Knowledge, Power, Wealth" (Witten, 2107)

21–23 April, 2017 — Witten/Herdecke University, Germany

Keynotes:

- Prof. Dr. Matthew Watson
- Dr. Ioana Negru
- Dr. Ismael Al-Amoudi

We have access to a lot of knowledge about how society is supposed to work. Yet, there are still many unsolved problems which we locate at the intersections of power, knowledge and wealth. Transforming these links should help us make progress towards greater wellbeing.

But what are concrete solutions? Economies of proximity? More direct democracy? Or even an overhaul of our fundamental social categories?

The International PPE Conference is a student-led, interdisciplinary academic conference bringing together BA, MA and PhD students and scholars who are conducting empirical and normative research. A key area of the conference will be workshops where Students can present papers they are currently working on, providing a platform for open discussion and peer feedback. Non-presenters are also warmly invited to attend.

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the conference. All participants will have the rare opportunity to discuss with invited experts and likeminded fellow students.

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Advanced Workshop "Innovation, Growth, International Production. Models and Data Analysis" (Rome, 2017)

2-5 May 2017 — Faculty of Economics, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy

The Course is organized by the University of Urbino Carlo Bo and the University of Rome La Sapienza, in collaboration with the Marche Polytechnic University, and Roma Tre University, with the support of the Centro Linceo Interdisciplinare and is intended for PhD students, post-docs and young scholars. The Course will be taught in English; the full programme is attached. The Course will include theoretical lectures, presentation of research results and applied classes on data analysis.

Lecturers will include:

Cristiano Antonelli, Giorgio Calcagnini, Valeria Cirillo, Francesco Crespi, Giovanni Dosi, Maurizio Franzini, Anna Giunta, Dario Guarascio, Luigi Marengo, Giovanni Marin, Luigi Orsenigo, Mario Pianta, Michele Raitano, Roberto Scazzieri, Alessandro Sterlacchini, Massimiliano Tancioni, Marco Vivarelli, Antonello Zanfei.

Registration

The 12th edition of the Advanced Course is organised by the University of Urbino Carlo Bo, Department of Economics, Society and Politics and by the Phd School of Economics of Sapienza University of Rome, in collaboration with the Phd Programme in Economics and Quantitative Methods of Roma Tre University and the Phd School of Economics Giorgio Fuà of the Polytechnic University of Ancona. The Course is oriented to PhD students, post-docs and young scholars. Application forms (downloadable on  this web-
site and a short CV should be sent to Giovanni Marin, giovanni.marin@uniurb.it, by 15 April 2017. For participants who are not PhD students of the universities that organize the course, a fee of 250 euros is expected for the coverage of organizational costs and teaching materials. The fee should be paid before the course begins with the procedures that will be communicated directly to the participants with the notification of acceptance. Accommodations and meals costs will be covered by participants; support for finding appropriate accommodation will be provided. All teaching will be carried out in English.

**STATA classes**

Participants are asked to bring their own laptop computer. A basic knowledge of STATA is assumed (data exploration, basic commands, variable generation and manipulation, multivariate regressions). Some introductive materials to STATA software will be indicated before the start of the Course. In STATA classes lecturers will present different databases and will make available data samples on which participants will carry out an econometric exercise and interpret the results, in a similar way to the analyses discussed in the lectures. Participants attending the Course and classes will obtain a certificate of attendance that could be used for credits in their own PhD School. All Course material will be available on this website.

For information and registration please contact: giovanni.marin@uniurb.it

More details and the program can be found here.

**IFIP Conference on ”Res Publica - Role of the Public Sector” (Vienna, 2017)**

8-9 June, 2017 — Vienna University of Technology, Vienna, Austria

Organized jointly with USE (Utrecht School of Economics), The Netherlands, and EAEPE (European Association for Evolutionary and Political Economy)

The ”Res Publica”: Re-assessing the role of the public sector and the public interest

1. What is public and why should something be in public responsibility? Which criteria, and theoretical and empirical arguments are relevant to determine whether

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the provision, and nancing of a good is a public or private responsibility, or a mixture of both?

2. Who determines what is public and what is private? Which actors do what? And why are they doing this? How is the public intervention justi ed? How can one decide whether there is a role for public intervention, and given there is a role for public intervention, who intervenes and how?“

REGISTRATION

Please register for this (free) conference until 1 June 2017 via ifip@tuwien.ac.at\(^{80}\), Ph. +43-1-58801 280321 (Mrs. Rosalinde Pohl)

- Presentation of the Egon Matzner Prize of Socio-Economics 2017

Detailed program and more details are available here\(^{81}\) (PDF).


27 March, 2017 — SOAS, London, UK

The International Initiative for Promoting Political Economy (IIPPE) announce their next Training Workshop at SOAS (room B102, in the Brunei Gallery), London on 27 March 2017 (registration from 9.30am).

Simon Mohun will lead the workshop. In the morning session (10am to 1pm), the focus will be on a Marxist approach to the understanding of value and price. The afternoon session will provide a comprehensive survey of approaches to the ‘transformation problem’, for which a prerequisite is either (and preferably) the morning session or some prior knowledge of the issues involved. In both sessions the emphasis will be on interpretation and logic, rather than any underlying mathematics.

This Workshop will appeal to undergraduate and postgraduate students, junior academics and activists who have a particular interest in acquainting themselves with core elements of Marxian political economy.

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Pre-registration is essential because of room capacity constraints. Registration can be made via Eventbrite. To learn about IIPPE, their activities, working groups and events, access www.iippe.org.

**Spring 2017 INET Economics Education Convenings**

The Institute for New Economic Thinking (INET) is looking for participants in an interactive discussion about the challenges in improving economics education. As part of our broader mission to reform economics, INET is hosting three full-day convenings on economics education across the United States.

**Dates**

- **Friday, March 17** – University of Missouri – Kansas City
- **Friday, April 28** – University of California – Berkeley

Each convening will bring together students and professors in the region who are interested in broadening economics education. Our goals are to learn more about prevailing needs, pool and share existing pluralist curriculums, and brainstorm the architecture and direction of concrete future endeavors.

Invitations are Extended to:

- Pre- and non-tenure faculty, including adjuncts
- Undergraduate and graduate students
- Experienced faculty actively engaged in pluralist education

Our Activities:

- Connecting pluralist educators and students to existing resources
- Sharing a wide range of joys and frustrations with pluralist economics education
- Identifying opportunities for novel teaching materials and methods

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83 [http://www.iippe.org](http://www.iippe.org)
These convenings will be a group-led, facilitated workshop. There will be no formal speakers or presentations but there will be ample opportunities to get to know one another. We are seeking collective engagement around this broad topic and invite you to share your experiences and learn from others.

This initiative is an exploratory process for INET. We have not made any funding commitments in this field beyond this series of convenings. Thus, we do not view these meetings primarily as places to present funding proposals, but rather as convenings of pluralist economic educators to share experiences and ideas.

For more information and to apply for any of the three convenings, go to this website[^84].

Because we have limited spots at each of these convenings, prospective participants must submit an application. Application for travel funding is also included in the link above.

Site-specific schedule and accessibility information will be made available following registration. Immediate requests for information can be directed to Alex Eisenbarth at aoe@ineteconomics.org[^85].

**Workshop and Summer School on: "Culture, Diversity and Economic Development" (Groningen, 2017)**

19-22 June, 2017 — Groningen, The Netherlands

**Keynote Speakers:**

- Matthias Doepke (Professor of Economics, Northwestern University)
- Oded Galor (Herbert Goldberger Professor of Economics, Brown University)

This event aims to bring together researchers and graduate students working on topics related to culture, diversity and economic development broadly defined. The first two days will follow a workshop format with presentations by researchers and two keynote lectures. The subsequent two days will follow a summer-school format. This will consist of lectures by Oded Galor and the organizers as well as presentation and discussion of preliminary research by graduate students.

Participation at both the workshop and the summer school does not involve any fees. For workshop presenters accommodation costs for two nights will be covered. Graduate students participating in the summer school will have to cover their own travel and

[^84]: http://www.ineteconomics.org/education/curricula-modules/education-initiative
[^85]: mailto:aoe@ineteconomics.org
accommodation costs during their whole stay, but will be able to follow all workshop events and interact with the workshop participants.

Researchers interested in presenting at the workshop should send a full paper or an extended abstract to the contact e-mail address below. Graduate students at Master or PhD level interested in participating in the summer school should send a CV and a 3-page summary of their research also to the contact e-mail address. The submission deadline for all participants is February 15, 2017.

Contact: CDED2017@rug.nl

Conference Organisers:

- Sjoerd Beugelsdijk
- Mariko Klasing
- Robbert Maseland
- Petros Milionis

Writing Workshop on Gender and the Economy: "Perspectives of Feminist Economics" (Berlin and online, 2017)

3-5 March, 2017, — Berlin and online, Germany

During the workshop, we will reflect and discuss topics on gender and the economy and write essays which will be published on the online platform Exploring Economics.

We will work in small groups on the following four topics:

1. Gender and Austerity. The Financial Crisis and its Impact in Europe
2. Gender and Migration. The Division of Labour and Gender Roles in the Caring Economy
3. Gender in the Household. Decisions on Money, Time, and Care
4. Gender, Care & the Limits of Economic Growth. A Convergence of Feminist and Ecological Economics

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https://www.exploring-economics.com/en/
Topics of feminist economics and questions on gender, the division of labour and reproductive work are hardly dealt with in economic teaching and research. The aim of the workshop is to draw attention to the importance of gender relations in economics. To this aim, we will analyse how economic processes influence people of different genders and gender relations and how gender relations, as well as social roles, shape economic processes and economic possibilities. We will address those questions using examples from current research in feminist economics.

Program for online participants

Online participants will work more independently than participants who will be physically present. Literature will be provided as well as support for finding a topic. You will comment other essays and receive comments on your ideas.

Co-working with other offline and online participants is also possible. If you wish to collaborate with offline participants, you should be available online on:

- March 3, 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. CET,
- March 4, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 2 p.m.- 6 p.m. CET;
- and March 5, 10 a.m.- 1p.m. CET.

The workshop is open to students and young scholars of economics and other social sciences, as well as other related disciplines with different levels of experience and knowledge.

Registration:

Online participants please submit your registration by February 14, 2017 (2 p.m. CET), via this online form. Please select your two preferred topics and submit a short motivation of max. 200 words. The participation is free of charge. Participants are admitted considering their motivation, time of registration and their selected topics.

Link to the workshop is available here.

Job Postings

New Economics Foundation, UK

The New Economics Foundation exists to build the case and the campaign for a new economy. Our work brings insights from the best, most original and widely respected subject-based research into direct contact with the campaigns, movements and other actors who are trying to build the new economy.

We do that in a broad number of areas, encompassing social justice, wellbeing, the environment and the economy. We have a proud thirty-year history but are also setting out in a new direction, prioritising partnerships with others in helping to bring about change today as well as planning for the economy of tomorrow.

As an Economist/Senior Economist in our team you will be a key part of that change and should share our outlook and priorities. You could be working on projects in housing, finance and monetary policy, environment or any other area of our work. You should also be looking to deepen and expand our work and coming up with original ideas as to how to do so.

We welcome applications at either Economist or Senior Economist level and may take the opportunity to appoint more than one candidate.

The closing date for the role is 5pm Thursday 23 February 2017.

Interviews will take place on Tuesday 7 March at our London office.

Open University, UK

Job Title: Job Positions at the Open University - ”Senior Lecturer in Accounting” and ”Professor in Accounting/Finance”

Please find below links to the adverts which were placed for the various positions in department of Accounting and Finance (DAF).

1. Senior Lecture in accounting
2. Professors in accounting/finance

Please click on the links to see more details about the job offers.

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Positive Money, UK

Positive Money is looking for Chief Economist committed to our vision for a fair, democratic, and sustainable money system.

Positive Money aims to become globally-recognised thought-leaders on monetary policy and central banking and we want our research to have significant political impact.

The Chief Economist will work with the Positive Money team to develop and implement our research strategy. This will include researching how the current monetary system contributes to economic, social, and environmental problems, and researching Sovereign Money and developing Sovereign Money proposals.

The role will involve engaging with economists (including academics, professionals and policymakers), encouraging them to engage in the debate around monetary reform and maintain relationships with them. The chief economist will ensure the research team supports the influencing and supporter network teams by providing them with technical expertise, and ensuring the accuracy of our public communications. The chief economist will work with the team to identify how to broaden Positive Money’s analysis of the dysfunctional money and banking system, and the role of central banking.

We’re looking for an applicant with a strong economics background, ideally with a focus on the monetary system (this could be from academia, policy, or the financial sector). Ideally they would have published work demonstrating research and writing ability. They are a clear, creative thinker with developed influencing skills, who can build relationships with and influence key players across academia, private and public sectors. They have experience in public speaking, and would be comfortable explaining complex economic concepts to a range of audiences. They are able to work in an open-minded way, understanding the complexity of the money and finance system, being open to criticisms of Positive Money’s research. They are able to help the organisation evolve and build on criticisms.

Read the full job description and the application process here

Closing date for applications: 3rd of March 2017

SUNY Buffalo State University, US

Job Title: Assistant Professor

- Line Number: 21657

• Department: Economics and Finance
• Salary Range: competitive
• Anticipated Date of Hire: 09-01-2017
• Closing Date: Open Until Filled
• Contact Name: Frederick Floss, Department Chair
• Contact Email: flossfg@buffalostate.edu

Full-time, tenure track position in Economics and Finance. Primary teaching responsibilities include MA courses in applied microeconomics. Potential for teaching statistics and econometrics. Ph.D. (completed by August 1, 2017) in economics or finance with a concentration in microeconomics is required. For more information and position requirements, see "Jobs" at: www.buffalostate.edu/offices/hr.

The Department has a pluralist and heterodox tradition.

Required Qualifications:

• Ph.D. Economics and Finance. (ABD Economics or Finance, August 2017)

Required Applicant Documents:

• Cover Letter
• Curriculum Vitae (academic)
• Names and contact information for 3 professional references

Link to the job advert is available here.

University of Oxford, UK

Job Title: Associate Professorship of Russian and Eurasian Political Economy at the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies in association with St Antony’s College
The School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies (SIAS) seeks to appoint a permanent Associate Professor of Russian and Eurasian Political Economy, in association with a Non-Tutorial Fellowship at St Antony’s College, as described in the further particulars. The postholder will be based at SIAS, Bevington Road, Oxford. Grade 10a: From £45,562 p.a.

Since the 1950s Oxford has been at the forefront of research on the study of the Soviet economy and then post-Soviet economies. In the twenty-first century as Eurasia re-configures itself in the context of a more assertive Russian leadership, the political economy of the region is a subject of growing global significance. It is intended that appointment to this post will ensure that students continue to obtain a balanced interdisciplinary training and that Oxford continues to lead in research on the economies of this critical global region.

You will engage in advanced study and research, and will publish findings in international journals and academic presses, as well as seeking opportunities for collaborative and externally funded research projects. You will contribute to the School’s graduate curriculum in the teaching of Russian and East European Studies (REES); supervise graduate and research students; and engage in University examining. There will also be a requirement to participate in the administration of the Faculty, and of the College. You should refer to the further particulars for full details of the teaching requirements for this post.

You will have a doctorate in political economy, economics, or a closely related field; expertise in the economies of Russia and the other states of the former Soviet Union; and experience of using quantitative research methods. You will demonstrate a proven record of research and publication; excellence in teaching; training in economic analysis to at least undergraduate level or in a related field of study with an economics component; and a commitment to Interdisciplinary Area Studies as an intellectual project.

Applications for this vacancy are to be made online. To apply for this role and for further details, including the job description and selection criteria, please click on the link below.

The closing date for applications is 12.00 noon on 1 March 2017.

Applications are particularly welcome from women and black and minority ethnic candidates, who are under-represented in academic posts in Oxford.

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University of Texas Arlington, US

Job Title: Program Director, Planning Program

The College of Architecture, Planning and Public Affairs (CAPPA) at UTA invites applications for the position of Program Director, Planning Program, at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor with tenure.

The Planning Program at UTA offers an accredited Master of City and Regional Planning, a Master of Real Estate (with College of Business), dual degrees with six other masters programs, and a GIS Certificate. An associated doctoral program, with a separate Program Director, prepares students for academic careers and research positions in the private, public and nonprofit sectors. The college is in the process of introducing new interdisciplinary certificates in urban design, design for health, urban farming, and historic preservation.

In addition to the Planning Program, CAPPA includes academic programs in Landscape Architecture, Architecture, Interior Design, Public Policy, and Public Administration as well as research centers including the Institute of Urban Studies, the Center for Transportation Equity, Decisions, and Dollars (a newly-awarded University Transportation Center from the US Department of Transportation), the David Dillon Center for Texas Architecture, and the Digital Architecture Research Consortium. As a whole, the college aims to strengthen urban, ecological, and social fabrics that unleash the inherent potential of places and communities.

UTA is located in the heart of the Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW) region, stretching over eight million-acres and housing the fourth largest population of any metropolitan area in the nation. Continuing to grow, DFW offers a living lab for teaching, research, and outreach, allowing opportunities for UTA faculty and students to learn from the past, engage the present, and truly make a difference into the future. Rapid growth, a vibrant economy, and engaged communities have conspired to make DFW fertile terrain for introducing green infrastructure, innovation districts, smart cities, transit with vital urban hubs, and more. A lively conversation about urbanism occurs throughout the region thanks to a wide range of events sponsored by UTA, the North Texas Commission, the Greater Dallas Planning Council, the Institute for Humanities’ Festival of the City, and many others.

The University of Texas at Arlington is a Carnegie Research-1 “highest research activity” institution. With a projected global enrollment of close to 57,000 in AY 2016-17, UTA

[Link to the job advert can be found here](https://www.recruit.ox.ac.uk/pls/hrisliverecruit/erq_jobspec_version_4.jobspec?p_id=127407)
is the largest institution in The University of Texas System. Guided by its Strategic Plan *Bold Solutions — Global Impact*, UTA fosters interdisciplinary research within four broad themes: health and the human condition, sustainable urban communities, global environmental impact, and data-driven discovery. UTA was recently cited by *U.S. News & World Report* as having the second lowest average student debt among U.S. universities. *U.S. News & World Report* also ranks UTA fifth in the nation for undergraduate diversity. The University is a Hispanic-Serving Institution and is ranked as the top four-year college in Texas for veterans on *Military Times’* 2017 Best for Vets list.

CAPPA is seeking a Planning Program Director who will embrace the tremendous potential offered by the combined resources of the university and region to educate planners who can contribute to enhance life quality locally and globally. In tandem with transmitting the skills and knowledge of the planning profession, the Program values the unique perspectives each person brings to creatively interpret and inflect these. With faculty and students, the Planning Program Director is expected to advance the Program by fostering a wide range of research and creative activities, engaging the larger professional community, building support for the Program, and advocating for the Program and for planning generally.

The Planning Program Director should be able to contribute to teaching and research in one or more of the following areas: environmental planning, planning theory, physical planning, urban design, real estate development, historic preservation, and economic development. Depending on area of expertise, the Program Director may oversee introduction of the new certificates. The Planning Program Director should strengthen CAPPA’s capacity to anchor the Sustainable Urban Communities theme of UTA’s strategic plan and contribute to its three other themes: Health and the Human Condition, Global Environmental Impact, and Data-driven Discovery.

Applicants shall hold a Ph.D. in Planning or related field and a Masters degree in Planning, and shall maintain a record of excellence in teaching, research and/or creative work, and leadership/administration. Applicants shall merit appointment at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor. Preferred qualifications include professional planning experience and AICP certification.

**Application Instructions**

To apply, applicants should go to [www.uta.edu/faculty-search](http://www.uta.edu/faculty-search) and submit their application, including a letter briefly describing interest in the position, along with career experience and goals, curriculum vitae, appropriate examples of recent works, and contact information for three references. The Search Committee may request additional materials. Review of applications begins immediately and will continue until the successful candidate is identified. The appointment will begin in Fall 2017. Please address...
questions for this position to Sara Abraham-Oxford, abraham-oxford.s@uta.edu\textsuperscript{100}.

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More information on the Planning Program is available here\textsuperscript{101}. More information on CAPPA is available here\textsuperscript{102}.

**Vienna University of Economics and Business, Austria**

The Institute for Sociology and Social Research is currently inviting applications for a fulltime **Assistant Professor**, non-tenure track position (post-doc, employee subject to the terms of the Collective Bargaining Agreement for University Staff - Angestellte/r gemäß Kollektivvertrag für die Arbeitnehmer/innen der Universitäten; gross monthly salary: Euro 3,626.60) or two 30 hours/week **Teaching and Research Associate positions** (pre-doc, minimum gross monthly salary: Euro 2,048.25, recognition of previous employment - if relevant to the advertised position - possible). These employee positions will be limited to a period of 6 years, starting on 01.04.2017 (commencement date subject to change).

Please note that under the terms of the WU personnel development plan, the position of Assistant Professor, non-tenure track, is limited to an employment period of not more than six years. Applicants who are already employed at WU as substitute employees can therefore only be employed for the time remaining to complete the six-year period. Persons who have already been employed at WU in an Assistant Professor, non-tenure track position cannot be re-employed in this position at WU (except as a substitute employee) due to legal restrictions.

Please note that under the terms of the WU personnel development plan, the position of Teaching and Research Associate is limited to an employment period of not more than six years. Applicants who are already employed at WU as substitute employees can therefore only be employed for the time remaining to complete the six-year period. Persons who have already been employed at WU in a Teaching and Research Associate position can only be re-employed in an Assistant Professor, tenure track position.

The Institute for Sociology and Social Research is committed to studying the relations between economy and society from integrative sociological, socioeconomic and political-

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economic perspectives. Research and teaching at the Institute focuses on economic sociology, quantitative and qualitative social research, sociological theory, organisational analysis, social inequality and sustainable development. The Institute is affiliated with the Department of Socioeconomics, which combines several social-scientific disciplines complementing the WU’s major focus on business and economics as well as business law, and which is dedicated to interdisciplinary research highlighting the economy’s embeddedness in society and nature.

**Job description of Assistant Professor:**

- Individual research in an area of high relevance for economic sociology or socioeconomics
- Participation in collaborative research projects affiliated with the Institute
- Publication activity targeting an international scientific audience and aiming for high impact
- Preparation of research proposals for third party-funding on the national or international level
- Teaching load of 4 hours per semester
- Teaching responsibilities include courses in sociological and socioeconomic subjects in German or English to students of business, economics/socioeconomics and business law on the Bachelor level and students of socioeconomics and socio-ecological economics and policy on the Master’s level
- Independent supervision of Bachelor and Master’s theses in German or English
- Commitment to further developing teaching and supervision skills, e.g. through participation in university-pedagogical courses
- Administrative responsibilities, such as the organisation of academic workshops and research seminars
- Non-German speaking candidates are expected to acquire a good working knowledge of German over a certain period of time

**Profile of Assistant Professor:**

- Doctoral degree in sociology or socioeconomics, or other economic and social-scientific disciplines if the dissertation project addressed questions of sociological relevance (please provide an abstract of the thesis), or equivalent qualification
- Experience in teaching and supervision on Bachelor and/or Master’s level
• A competitive publication record, ideally including publications in international peer-reviewed journals

• High proficiency in English

• Applications should include cover letter, CV, a list of presentations and publications, a teaching portfolio including course evaluations (if available), and a research proposal of 3-5 pages in an area of high relevance or economic sociology, socioeconomics, or comparative, critical or cultural political economy

• A research interest in sociological theory-building, questions of European integration and globalisation, and/or intersections of law, economy, and society will be regarded as an asset

**Job description of Teaching and Research Associates**

• Individual research in an area of high relevance for economic sociology or socioeconomics, with the aim to complete a doctoral degree in 3-4 years

• Enrolment in the PhD programme of the Department of Socioeconomics

• Publication activity targeting an international scientific audience and aiming for high impact.

• Participation in collaborative research projects affiliated with the Institute (which the dissertation project may possibly be aligned with)

• Teaching load of 2 hours per semester

• Teaching responsibilities may include courses in sociological and socioeconomic subjects in German or English to students of business, economics/socioeconomics and business law on the Bachelor level and/or students of socioeconomics and socio-ecological economics and policy on the Master’s level

• Supervision of Bachelor and co-supervision of Master’s theses in German or English

• Commitment to developing teaching and supervision skills, e.g. through participation in university-pedagogical courses

• Administrative tasks, such as assistance in the preparation of teaching, the presentation of research, or the organisation of academic events

• Non-German speaking candidates are expected to acquire a good working knowledge of German over a certain period of time

**Profile of Teaching and Research Associate**
• Completed Master’s degree in sociology or socioeconomics, or other economic and social-scientific disciplines, or equivalent qualification

• Dissertation project in an area of high relevance for economic sociology, socioeconomics, or comparative, critical or cultural political economy

• Outstanding academic record, excellent Master’s thesis or equivalent (please provide an abstract of the thesis)

• Academic work experience, including teaching or research assistance and first publications, is highly appreciated

• High proficiency in English

• Applications should include cover letter, CV, a list of (conference) presentations and publications, an outline of the dissertation project of 3-5 pages and, if available, a sample chapter or related paper

• A research interest in sociological theory-building, the study of European integration and globalisation, and/or intersections of law, economy, and society will be regarded as an asset

For further questions regarding these positions please contact Prof. Sabine Frerichs (sabine.frerichs@wu.ac.at)

Reference Number: 3279

Application materials can be submitted online until 1st of March 2017.

Awards

Amartya Sen Prize 2017

This year, Global Financial Integrity and Academics Stand Against Poverty will be awarding the fourth annual Amartya Sen Prizes to the two best original essays on the moral assessment of tax dodging. Contributed essays should be of ca. 7,000 to 9,000 words. There will be a first prize of $5,000 and a second prize of $3,000.

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Individuals and corporate officers often engage in tax dodging. They, and many others, do not think that – even when doing so is technically illegal – it is a serious moral failing. Among the reasons they give for this assessment are the following:

1. A substantial proportion of tax revenues are misappropriated, wasted or spent on inappropriate or immoral projects.
2. The tax system is unfair in the way it distributes benefits and burdens.
3. Many others manage to escape the tax burdens assigned to them, and it is not seriously wrong to do likewise when paying one’s taxes honestly would make one a sucker who picks up the slack of non-compliers.

These reasons cannot be easily dismissed. Clearly, existing tax schemes do exhibit the listed flaws to some extent; and clearly the flaws are sometimes so severe that it might even be wrong to pay taxes (e.g., to the governments of Nazi Germany or Apartheid South Africa). On the other hand, one might argue that citizens ought to put up, and to comply, with a flawed tax system insofar as it is democratically legitimated. By living in a democracy one has joined a social contract that provides one an opportunity to co-legislate in exchange for a duty to comply with legislation properly enacted. It also seems relevant that the tax system, even if flawed, does underwrite various morally urgent services (e.g., protections against violence and deprivation) that would not be reliably supplied to all without tax revenues.

Submissions should illuminate these or other key moral issues surrounding tax dodging in the real-world context of one or more present states. How can we work out what those to whom particular tax rules apply must, should and may do? Is it relevant for the moral assessment of specific cases how a tax dodging individual or corporation is spending the money saved (e.g., on donations to effective charities)?

Entries from all disciplines including philosophy, political economy, international relations, development studies, law and business are welcome.

Please send submissions on or before 31 August 2017 by e-mail attachment to Tom Cardamone at tcardamone@gfintegrity.org.

Essays should be stripped of self-identifying references, formatted for blind review.

More details are available here.

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EAEPE-Kapp Prize 2017

The European Association for Evolutionary Political Economy (EAEPE) currently invites submissions for its annual *EAEPE-Kapp Prize* competition.

Please notice that the deadline for submissions is *February 28th*.

The EAEPE-Kapp Prize awards the article published in the previous 2 years that best represents and develops EAEPE’s mission and theoretical perspectives, as laid out in our Constitution and [here](http://eaepe.org/?page=about&side=theoretical_perspectives).

The EAEPE-Kapp Prize winner will be announced at our *Annual Conference in Budapest (HU) on 19-21 October 2017*. More information and the call for papers for the Conference can be found [here](http://eaepe.org/?page=events&side=annual_conference&sub=call_for_papers_eaepe2017).

All papers, normally not exceeding 12000 words, are eligible for the EAEPE-Kapp Prize, if published in a scholarly journal in the past 2 years (i.e. no older than 1 January 2015). Only one entry per author will be considered, and applicants must be paid-up members of EAEPE for the year of the competition (i.e. 2017).

To submit a paper, please send a PDF version (including any relevant annex) to Carlo D’Ippoliti, EAEPE Prizes Officer, at [carlo.dippoliti@uniroma1.it](mailto:carlo.dippoliti@uniroma1.it).

Any member of the EAEPE Council, or Trustee of the Foundation for European Economic Development (FEED) serving at any time from 1 January of the year before the year of competition to 1 July of the year of the competition inclusive, shall be ineligible to participate, including as a coauthor.

Helen Potter Award Winner

**Professor Caroline Shenaz Hossein**, from the Department of Social Science in the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies, won the prestigious Helen Potter Award – an accolade that has only been granted to nine women since its inception in 1975.

The Association of Social Economics presented the award to Hossein on Jan. 7, in Chicago at the American Economic Association and Allied Social Science meetings.

The Helen Potter Award is presented each year to the author of the best article in the *Review of Social Economy* by a promising scholar at the Assistant or Associate level. Dr. Hossein, one of the few people of colour to receive the award, won for her article

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“Big Man” politics in the social economy: a case study of microfinance in Kingston, Jamaica. Award recipients receive a plaque and a cash prize.

Named after the economist Helen Potter, the goal of the award is to recognize excellence in scholarship which confronts mainstream economics with literature that supports heterodox economic research.

Hossein’s research interest is in diverse community economies with specific attention to the intersection of identities such as race, class and gender. Her work on social exclusion is grounded in Black liberation and feminist theorizing, and the lived experience of the African diaspora.

She is the author of *Politicized Microfinance: Money, Power and Violence in the Black Americas* (University of Toronto Press, 2016) and is an executive board member of the Harriet Tubman Institute for Research on Africa and its Diaspora and the Centre for Feminist Research at York University.

**Jörg-Hufschmidt-Prize 2017**

The EuroMemo Group, the scientific advisory board of Attac Germany, the German Working Group on Alternative Economic Policy and the Rosa Luxemburg Foundation announce the Jörg-Hufschmidt-Prize 2017. The prize for dissertations is intended to promote the continuation of the work of Jörg Hufschmidt, distinguished critical economist and founding father of the EuroMemo Group. Both, pre-doc and PhD-theses are encouraged. The work should be in the field of political economy, as for instance

- financial markets, trade and investment policy
- alternatives to austerity and privatisation
- militarisation of the European foreign and arms policy and border security
- working environment in the digital age
- socio-ecologic transition: the role of digitisation, social and technological innovation as well as new forms of the economy.

Dissertations that are written in English or German and that have been submitted to and marked by a European university since April 2015 can be considered.

**Applications** should be send to [Joerghuffschmidpreis@esosc.eu](mailto:Joerghuffschmidpreis@esosc.eu) until 31 March 2017.
More information (in German) is available here.

**Kurt Rothschild Award for Economic Journalism and Research 2017**

In remembrance of the considerable achievements of the Austrian Professor of Economics Kurt Rothschild, whose dedication for science, policies and society has left a sustainable mark in these areas, the Karl-Renner-Institut and the Social Democratic parliamentary club award the Kurt Rothschild Award for Economic Journalism and Research.

The prize recognizes scientific, editorial or journalistic contributions of the author or authors in the economic area, which are pluralistic in method and theory. Submissions need to be based on economic research and, at the same time, should have been inserted in public economic discourse (e.g., available in print or online as newspaper columns, blog posts or books) in the German-speaking area. The **submission deadline** ends on Friday, **28th April, 2017**. Further information on the award and the terms of participation are available in German on [http://kurt-rothschild-preis.at](http://kurt-rothschild-preis.at).

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African American Men and the Labor Market during the Great Recession

By Michelle Holder — 2017, Palgrave MacMillan

This book analyzes the status and position of African American men in the U.S. labor market prior to, during, and after the Great Recession. Using a model of occupational crowding, the book outlines how the representation of African American men in major occupational categories almost universally declined during the recent recession even as white non-Hispanic men were able to maintain their occupational representation in the face of staggering job losses. Using US Census Bureau data, this book illustrates how African American men sought to insulate their group from devastating job losses by increasing their educational attainment in a job market where employers exercised more leverage in hiring. However, this strategy was unable to protect this group from disparate job losses as African American men became further marginalized in the workforce.

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during the Great Recession. Policy approaches to address high African American male unemployment are outlined in the final chapter.

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**Aggregate Demand, Inequality and Instability**

By Piero Ferri — 2017, Edward Elgar

This book studies the relationships between aggregate demand, inequality and instability. It extends the traditional approach by introducing wealth and inequality into a dynamic macroeconomic model. Furthermore, it examines the role that debt and financial instability can play in turbulent times such as the Great Recession and its aftermath.

Unlike Piketty, the author analyses the relationships between instability and inequality, and the feedbacks from the latter to the former, in a system approach where real and monetary factors interact to generate complex patterns. The book does not discover ‘iron laws’ because the results depend on the nature of the model, the values of the parameters and the policy pursued. However, the role of inequality is proven to play a decisive role in shaping dynamics. Finally, the author discusses the link between medium and long-run problems, and the challenges that remain to be faced.

Piero Ferri’s original application of economic principles to the topic of inequality will make this book essential reading for all economists, particularly those of a macro orientation.

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**Farewell to Modernism: On Human Devolution in the Twenty-First Century**

By Rajani Kanth — 2017, Peter Lang

This book is an original, pathbreaking, revolutionary, and totalizing critique of received Modernist ideas, including Modernist Utopianism. In that vein, it unseats virtually every dearly held myth of EuroModernist discourse. It offers a new episteme based on our true ontic nature—our anthropic species-being—as an offset and correction to all brands of EuroModernist idylls, be they of Left or Right, that have repeatedly brought

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the world to the brink of annihilation. In sum, this book argues that neither philosophy nor social science are tenable without a true, realist anthropology of the human species that sets limits to both political idealism and social engineering. Link to the book is available here\textsuperscript{225}.

\textbf{In the Long Run We Are All Dead: Keynesianism, Political Economy, and Revolution}

By Geoff Mann — 2017, VersoBooks

In the ruins of the 2007–2008 financial crisis, self-proclaimed progressives the world over clamoured to resurrect the economic theory of John Maynard Keynes. The crisis seemed to expose the disaster of small-state, free-market liberalization and deregulation. Keynesian political economy, in contrast, could put the state back at the heart of the economy and arm it with the knowledge needed to rescue us. But what it was supposed to rescue us from was not so clear. Was it the end of capitalism or the end of the world? For Keynesianism, the answer is both. Keynesians are not and never have been out to save capitalism, but rather to save civilization from itself. It is political economy, they promise, for the world in which we actually live: a world in which prices are “sticky,” information is “asymmetrical,” and uncertainty inescapable. In this world, things will definitely not take care of themselves in the long run. Poverty is ineradicable, markets fail, and revolutions lead to tyranny. Keynesianism is thus modern liberalism’s most persuasive internal critique, meeting two centuries of crisis with a proposal for capital without capitalism and revolution without revolutionaries.

If our current crises have renewed Keynesianism for so many, it is less because the present is worth saving, than because the future seems out of control. In that situation, Keynesianism is a perfect fit: a faith for the faithless. Link to the book is available here\textsuperscript{226}.

\textbf{Labour Managed Firms and Post-Capitalism}

By Bruno Jossa — 2017, Routledge

The prerequisite for overthrowing capitalism is a system which both leverages selfishness and creates solidarity between workers. This book illustrates and discusses the major

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points of the economic theory of producer cooperatives, its evolution since the 1950s, and links with Marxian theory.

*Labour Managed Firms and Post-Capitalism*, most importantly, demonstrates that a system of producer cooperatives offers a wealth of advantages compared to capitalism. There is general agreement that the main benefit of this form of economic democracy is that people who are allowed to freely pursue their interests are happier than those acting on somebody else’s instruction. The author argues that a system of democratic firms would eradicate classical (high-wage) unemployment and scale down both Keynesian and structural unemployment levels. He also shows that a system of producer cooperatives literally reverses the capital-labour relationship typical of capitalism and that its establishment can consequently be looked upon as a revolution.

This volume is of great interest to academics, lecturers and researchers with an interest in Marxism, political economy and industrial economics, as well as economic theory and philosophy.


**Marxist Monetary Theory: Collected Papers**

By Costas Lapavitsasis — 2017, Brill

The collected papers of Costas Lapavitsas are a pathway to Marxist monetary theory, a field that continues to attract strong interest. The papers range far and wide, including markets and money, finance and the enterprise, power and money, the financialisation of capitalism, finance and profit, even money as art. Despite its breadth, the collection remains highly coherent.

Money and finance are pre-eminent, even dominant, features of contemporary capitalism. Lapavitsas has been one of the first political economists to notice their ascendancy and to devote his research to it. He offers a resolutely Marxist perspective on contemporary capitalism while remaining conversant with the history of political economy, sensitive to mainstream economic theory, and fully aware of the empirical reality of financialisation.


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State of Power Report

Edited by Nick Buxton and Deborah Eade — 2017, Transnational Institute

This sixth annual State of Power report examines the cultural processes that are used by corporations, military and privileged elites to make their power seem 'natural' and 'irreversible'. It also explores how social movements can harness creativity, art and cultural forces to resist and to build lasting social and ecological transformation.

Link to the report is available here (free access).

The Global Free Trade Error: The Infeasibility of Ricardo’s Comparative Advantage Theory

By Ron Baiman — 2017, Routledge

The doctrine of “free trade” is second only to that of “free markets” in undergirding ideological support for our current global economic structures and rules. From David Ricardo’s “comparative advantage principle” to James Meade’s Neoclassical or mainstream economics proof of self-adjusting free trade equilibrium, the free trade doctrine has had a lasting and destructive hold on Neoclassical economic thinking since its inception.

The Global Free Trade Error provides a detailed analysis of these foundational models and counter-poses these to alternative Neo-Marxist “unequal exchange” models of global trade and finance. In the first part of the book the three core free trade models alluded to above are respectively demonstrated to be: overdetermined, inapplicable, and infeasible. In particular, Ricardo’s parable is shown to support managed trade rather than free trade as Ricardo and two centuries of economic texts have claimed. In the second part of the book, unequal exchange analyses of global trade are shown to provide logically coherent and useful insights into global trade and finance. In the third and final part of the book, this unequal exchange perspective is used, within a general “demand and cost” setting, to develop a set of global managed trade principles for a more equitable and sustainable world trade regime.

This book will be of great interest to those who study political economy, history of economic thought, and international trade, including trade agreements and tariffs.

Link to the book is available here.

The Global Political Economy of Raúl Prebisch

Edited by Matias E. Margulis — 2017, Routledge

The Global Political Economy of Raúl Prebisch offers an original analysis of global political economy by examining it through the ideas, agency and influence of one of its most important thinkers, leaders and personalities. Prebisch’s ground-breaking ideas as an economist – the terms-of-trade thesis and the economic case for state-led industrialization – changed the world and guided economic policy across the global South. As the head of two UN bodies – the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) and later the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) – he was at the frontline of key North–South political struggles for a fairer global distribution of wealth and the regulation of transnational corporations. Prebisch increasingly came to view political power, not just economic capabilities, as pivotal to shaping the institutions and rules of the world economy. This book contextualizes his ideas, exploring how they were used and their relevance to contemporary issues. The neoliberal turn in economics in North America, Western Europe and across the global South led to an active discrediting of Prebisch’s theories and this volume offers an important corrective, reintroducing current and future generations of scholars and students to this important body of work and allowing a richer understanding of past and ongoing political struggles.

Link to the book is available here.

The Philosophical Foundations of Ecological Civilization: A manifesto for the future

By Arran Gare — 2017, Routledge

The global ecological crisis is the greatest challenge humanity has ever had to confront, and humanity is failing. The triumph of the neo-liberal agenda, together with a debauched ‘scientism’, has reduced nature and people to nothing but raw materials, instruments and consumers to be efficiently managed in a global market dominated by corporate managers, media moguls and technocrats. The arts and the humanities have been devalued, genuine science has been crippled, and the quest for autonomy and democracy undermined. The resultant trajectory towards global ecological destruction appears inexorable, and neither governments nor environmental movements have significantly altered this, or indeed, seem able to. The Philosophical Foundations of Ecological Civilization is a wide-ranging and scholarly analysis of this failure.

This book reframes the dynamics of the debate beyond the discourses of economics, politics and techno-science. Reviving natural philosophy to align science with the humanities, it offers the categories required to reform our modes of existence and our institutions so that we augment, rather than undermine, the life of the ecosystems of which we are part. From this philosophical foundation, the author puts forth a manifesto for transforming our culture into one which could provide an effective global environmental movement and provide the foundations for a global ecological civilization.

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**The Political Economy of Emerging Markets: Varieties of BRICS in the Age of Global Crises and Austerity**

Edited by Richard Westra — 2017, Routledge

Rapid and sustained growth in the 21st century global economy of large developing economies including Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa, has captivated policy-makers and popular business press pundits alike. The coining of the new acronym BRICS and widespread adoption in international economics discourse of the designation "emerging markets" is symptomatic of that interest.

*The Political Economy of Emerging Markets* situates the BRICS phenomena in the global economic context of advanced economies continuing to languish in recession and hovering over a deflationary abyss several years after the meltdown. A key question this volume seeks to answer is whether the BRICS and so-called "emerging market" phenomenon is really the new miracle it is presented as, offering new or modified varieties of reloaded capitalist development to the world, or yet another mirage. Written by 10 leading global experts, this book answers the tough questions over BRICS and emerging markets potentially realizing new varieties of reloaded capitalism. It is not only international and interdisciplinary but uniquely multiperspectival. Theories framing chapters are not of one genre, but generate theoretical debate at the frontier of knowledge in political economy along with nuanced empirical analysis which flows from it.

This book is of great importance to those who study political economy, development economics and international political economy.

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The Privileges of Wealth: Rising inequality and the growing racial divide

By Robert B. Williams — 2017, Routledge

*The Privileges of Wealth* investigates the impact of the rising concentration of wealth. It describes how households accumulate wealth along three pathways: household saving, appreciation of assets, and family gifts and inheritances. In addition, federal wealth policies, in the form of assorted tax deductions and credits, act as a fourth pathway that favors wealthy households. For those with means, each pathway operates as a virtuous cycle enabling families to build wealth with increasing ease. For those without, these same pathways are experienced as vicious cycles.

The issue of wealth privilege is even more pronounced when examining the racial wealth gap. Typically, White households own ten times the wealth of Black or Latino families. This chasm results from the durability and transferability of wealth across generations and serves as a persistent legacy of our history of racial enslavement, expropriation, and exclusion. Current policies favoring the wealthy are simply cementing these wealth disparities.

This book explains how these sources of wealth privilege are systemic features of our economy and the basis of rising disparities. The arguments and evidence presented here offer a compelling case for how our current policies are undermining the American Dream for most Americans while fortifying a White plutocracy, with dire consequences for us all.


The Transition from Capitalism: Marxist Perspectives

By Saeed Rahnema — 2017, Palgrave MacMillan

Through a series of conversations with prominent theorists and leading political activists in different parts of the world, this book explores the causes of the setbacks of both the reformist and revolutionary strategies of the socialist Left. Addressing the larger questions around the agenda(s) of socialism in the era of globalization, the interviewees believe that capitalism is not sustainable in the long run, due largely to its inherent contradictions, and that a post-capitalist social world order is inevitable and attainable.

Despite notable differences, what emerges from this collection of voices and perspectives is a unified call to mobilize and organize for radical change through engagement with the various social groups that could play instrumental roles in the transition beyond a capitalist social formation.


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The chosen PhD student will be registered at the Doctoral School of the Technological University of Compiègne (COSTECH laboratory). The doctoral student is recruited by an admission committee. The chosen candidate will receive a gross monthly salary of 2024 euros/month.

**PhD topic: market risks and private standards on food quality**

Safety is more and more integrated in the food and retail industry as a means to differentiate products. This is particularly the case today with the growing power of retail industry that has imposed itself as the most powerful actor of the agri-food chain at international level (Burch et Lawrence, 2009; James et al., 2013). Agriculture is not only faced with national and international legislation, but also private quality standards from retail and food industries (Lupton, 2002; Raynaud et al., 2009). These standards are often more stringent than legislation (Vandemoorte et Deconinck, 2014); they are implemented more immediately than legislation whose implementation is longer (several years) which allows farmers to adapt more easily to new rules. Farmers can organise themselves collectively in producer associations in order to negotiate with the retail sector on specifications and planning of quality control (e.g. Carrefour Quality Network) (Raynaud et al., 2009). The PhD will take into account different types of farms (farm organized in autarchy, chain with few intermediaries, fragmented chain corresponding to agro-industrial chain with many intermediaries) to analyse the relative power farmers have regarding private standards required.

**References**


The application should include:

- PhD project proposal (6 to 10 pages maximum) including the topic, the research methodology, the research question and a selective bibliography. The candidate can adopt an institutional approach or approaches related to power (Lukes, 2004; James et al., 2013). Mastery of quantitative tools (econometrics) is welcome.
- A cover letter
- A transcript of Master 2 degree grades
- A copy of Master dissertation
- A copy of the research paper (minimum grade 14/20, US grade equivalent A)
- One (or several) recommendation letter(s) (optional)
- Fluency in French and in English (working language is in French)

**PhD Positions x3: "Labour economics/Economics of Education/Macroeconomics" at Maastricht University**

**Application deadline: February 28, 2017**

**Contact:**

- Silvana de Sanctis / Fleur Keune
- Department of Economics (AE2) – Maastricht University
- Phdpositionae2-sbe@maastrichtuniversity.nl

**Description:**

The Department of Economics (Section AE2) of Maastricht University is looking for PhD candidates in: Labour Economics, Economics of Education and Macroeconomics. Accepted candidates obtain a 3 years fully salaried position (sponsored by GSBE, the graduate school of the School of Business and Economics). In order to qualify, the candidate must have successfully completed a Master’s degree (MSc or MPhil) in Economics, Econometrics, Mathematics, or a related area (preferably before July 2017, at

\[mbox{mailto:Phdpositionae2-sbe@maastrichtuniversity.nl}\]
the latest by September 2017) and have a good “competence” in written and spoken English. Graduation from a two-year Master’s programme (120 ECTS) and a quantitative background will be advantages.

The candidate will carry out a particular research project as listed below. Roughly 15% (at most 20%) of his/her time will be devoted to teaching activities. For further information on our department please visit our department’s website (https://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/research/economics).

For further information on the particular projects you can check online or can contact:

**Labour economics:**

- The impact of geographical labor market mobility on the family
- Steffen Künn (s.kuenn@maastrichtuniversity.nl)

**Economics of education:**

- An economic perspective on achievement tests
- Ron Diris (r.diris@maastrichtuniversity.nl)

**Macroeconomics:**

- Monetary policy and divergence in a currency union
- Clemens Kool (c.kool@maastrichtuniversity.nl)

**Applications:**

Applications should be submitted by email (only) to Phdpositionae2-sbe@maastrichtuniversity.nl before **February 28, 2017**. The application should include

1. curriculum vitae,
2. transcript of university results/grades,
3. motivation letter (at most one page),

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243 https://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/research/department-economics
244 mailto:s.kuenn@maastrichtuniversity.nl
245 mailto:r.diris@maastrichtuniversity.nl
246 mailto:c.kool@maastrichtuniversity.nl
247 mailto:Phdpositionae2-sbe@maastrichtuniversity.nl
4. a name of reference who supports your application (e.g. professor/supervisor from MSc program)

5. proof of academic writing skills by one of the following: BSc, MSc thesis (if available) or a seminar paper.

**PhD Position “Market Makers: A political history of neoliberalism in the Netherlands” at Utrecht University**

PhD Position “Market Makers: A political history of neoliberalism in the Netherlands”

The Department of History and Art History seeks to appoint a PhD student for the project “Market Makers. A political history of neoliberalism in the Netherlands”, funded by means of an NWO Vrije Competitie grant, under the supervision of Prof Dr Ido de Haan (UU) and Prof Dr Ewald Engelen (UvA).

The PhD candidate will be working on the subproject “The Consolidation of Neoliberalism: the Dutch Miracle Revisited (1989-2002)”.

This project follows the lead of international historiography, which has traced a multifaceted range of national trajectories of neoliberalism in Western Europe, originating in the late 1940s. It aims demonstrates how a neoliberal undercurrent in postwar Dutch society gradually mutated into a key influence on the policy paradigms of the 1980s and 1990s. The PhD will focus on the ways in which a neoliberal policy consensus became consolidated, and how in a depoliticized, consensual guise, it turned the Netherlands into one of the most liberalized European economies of the Western world.

The position may include a 0.1/0.2 FTE teaching load.

A successful PhD candidate should preferably have:

- A (research) Master degree in History, Economics, Political or Social Science, or another relevant discipline, and a demonstrable affinity with the scope of the project;

- An outstanding record of Undergraduate and Master’s degree work;

- Excellent command of Dutch and English, both written and orally;

- Experience with archival research;

- Strong writing skills;
• Capacity to work both as a creative and independent researcher and as part of a team.

The positions can be offered for 1.0 FTE, start date from 1 June 2017 onwards. The appointment is for an initial period of 18 months which, after a satisfactory first period, will be extended by another 30 months (4 years in total), with a gross monthly salary on a fulltime basis starting at € 2,191 in the first year, ending at € 2,801 in the fourth year, consistent with the Collective Employment Agreement for Dutch Universities.

Salaries are supplemented with a holiday bonus of 8 % and a year-end bonus of 8.3 % per year. We offer a pension scheme, collective insurance schemes and flexible employment conditions (multiple choice model). For further information: working at Utrecht University.

Enquiries can be made to Ido de Haan ([i.dehaan@uu.nl](mailto:i.dehaan@uu.nl)). An extended research description is available upon request.

Written applications should address each of the criteria mentioned under qualifications, and include the following documents:

• Cover letter;
• Curriculum vitae;
• Research design proposal (600-1,200 words);
• Copy of relevant diplomas and grades;
• Copy of a recent academic publication (max. 30 pages) or a recent paper or thesis;
• Names and contact details of two referees.
• Note that incomplete applications cannot be included in the subsequent selection procedure.

Candidates who make the shortlist will be invited for an interview. These may be conducted in person in Utrecht or via Skype. Interviews are scheduled to take place in the week of 20 March 2017.

Please use the application button below to apply. The deadline for applications is 1 March 2017.

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248 [mailto:i.dehaan@uu.nl](mailto:i.dehaan@uu.nl)
PhD Scholarships x3: "Protest and Reform in the Global Political Economy from postcolonial perspective" at Hans-Boeckler Foundation/Kassel University

3 PhD Scholarships "Protest and Reform in the global political economy from the perspective of postcolonial political sciences"

Following the collaboration and founding of the junior research group by the Hans-Böckler-Foundation and the University of Kassel, Faculty of Social Sciences, applications are open for three PhD positions remunerated with € 1,450 monthly limited to a maximum period of three years each.

The junior research group examines the impact of the global protest movement since the 1990s on institutional reforms within the global political economy (e.g. World Bank, IMF, WTO) using postcolonial concepts (e.g. Othering, Hybridity, Subaltern Articulation and Representation, Provincializing Europe).

The duration of the paid position is limited to a maximum of three years. The application documents of the Hans-Böckler-Foundation can be found on the Foundations’ website. These have to be completed and handed in alongside a short summary (ca. 3 pages) sketching the planned research and its implementation within the programme of the junior research group. Should the application be considered for the final round, the applicant will be contacted to hand in a regular summary (ca. 10 pages). An academic recommendation is not needed at this moment, as it will be composed by the head of the group at a later point of time.

Applications have to be sent by 28-Feb-2017 to Prof. Dr. Aram Ziai: ziai@uni-kassel.de

More information is available here.

249 http://www.boeckler.de/promotion.htm
250 mailto:ziai@uni-kassel.de
PhD Studentship "The Determination and Influence of FX Swaps in the Global Financial System" at Portsmouth Business School

We are seeking a candidate for this full-time 3-year PhD studentship within the Economics & Finance subject group at the Portsmouth Business School.

This research project has two aims. First, the studentship will study the impact of social norms and conventions in the largely unregulated global foreign exchange (FX) swap market. With a daily turnover of around $2 trillion, FX swaps play a very important ‘dual’ role in the financial markets, by being integrated into the FX market as well as the money market. Following a series of manipulation scandals, recent lawsuits and regulatory reform proposals have explicitly targeted anti-competitive behaviour in FX markets. However, reciprocality, trust and conventions are fundamental to, and logical in, money markets.

Second, the project aims to investigate the changing dynamics of the first stage of the Monetary Transmission Mechanism of independent central banks. Specific emphasis will be put on the decreasing role of uncollateralised interbank deposits and the simultaneous growing importance of the cross-currency basis swap (CRS) and FX swap markets. Hereby, it will examine the extent to which the markets of the latter have been influenced by market conventions, international bank expansion, regulatory changes as well as the quantitative easing programmes by a range of central banks the 2007-08 financial crisis. The project will also aim to quantify the spillover effects from the FX and CRS market on other financial market indicators and benchmarks domestically and internationally.

As a University of Portsmouth research student, you will join a growing and dynamic research community and have access to a skills development programme. The theoretical, empirical and analytical skills developed during this project will prepare the student well for a future career in academia or the financial sector.

Project Code: ACEF3470317

Funding Notes:

This full-time studentship is open to UK/ EU students only and is located in Portsmouth Business School, University of Portsmouth, Hampshire, UK.

Qualifications: Applicants will have a good first degree (minimum 2.1 or equivalent) and a Masters (or equivalent) in a relevant subject area (e.g. in Economics or Finance).

Potential applicants can find further information on PBS Research253 and Research Degrees254.

253 http://www.port.ac.uk/portsmouth-business-school/research
254 http://www.port.ac.uk/portsmouth-business-school/research-degrees
Applications should include: [Please note to follow this guide to apply for this bursary award]

- a full CV including personal details, qualifications, educational history and, where applicable, any employment or other experience relevant to the application
- contact details for TWO referees able to comment on your academic performance
- a statement of 1,000 (words) outlining the main features of a research design you would propose to meet the stated objectives, identifying the challenges this project might present and discussing how the work will build on or challenge existing research in the above field.

**Interviews:** Interviews will be conducted on Tuesday 28 March/Wednesday 29 March 2017

**Start date** for the studentship: **1 October 2017**

Applications should be sent to: Sue Edwards, Postgraduate Centre, University of Portsmouth, Richmond Building, Portland Street, Portsmouth, PO1 3DE (applications can be submitted electronically via: sue.edwards@port.ac.uk and cc to alexis.stenfors@port.ac.uk)

Link to the PhD opportunity is available [here](http://www.jobs.ac.uk/job/AWT376/phd-studentship-the-determination-and-influence-of-fx-swaps-in-the-global-financial-system/).

**PhD Studentships on ”Financial diversification before modern portfolio theory” at The Open University Business School**

**Supervisors:**

- Prof Janette Rutterford, Dr Dimitris P. Sotiropoulos and Mr Daniele Tori (Department for Accounting and Finance, The Open University Business School)

The Open University Business School invites applications for a number of full-time funded PhD studentships. The studentships cover tuition fees, a generous research training support grant and a stipend (circa £14,296 per annum) for 36 months.

The deadline for applications is midday GMT on Thursday **30 March 2017**.

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256 mailto:alexis.stenfors@port.ac.uk
We welcome PhD applications on the following project in economic history: Financial diversification before modern portfolio theory

Application must include the following:

- a 1000 word proposal which indicates your knowledge of the literature, methods and likely approach to your project of interest
- a covering letter indicating your suitability for the project
- a completed application form
- certificates with transcripts, if possible, confirming your professional qualifications relevant to your application

More information about the application process can be found here.

Further queries can be addressed to: Dr. Dimitris P. Sotiropoulos: dimitris.sotiropoulos@open.ac.uk

Project description:

This project aims to investigate aspects of financial innovation in the UK during the last quarter of the 19th and the first quarter of the 20th century. Its main focus will be risk management in the context of financial diversification.

The period roughly between the 1870s up to WWI is considered in the recent literature as the first wave of economic globalization, with the introduction of critical financial innovations on both sides of the Atlantic. From the 1870s, different economies gradually adopted the gold standard, while London served as the global financial centre. Developed capitalist economies experienced the rise of stock exchange securitization and the separation between ownership and control (the so-called ‘managerial revolution’) along with other important financial innovations. These developments were accompanied by high levels of income inequality and financial instability; the first globalization era thus has similarities to the contemporary financialised capitalist world. Its study will not only deepen understanding of an important era in the development of capitalism, but will also offer alternative ways to consider the historical and institutional roots of investor behaviour, financial innovation, and their fragile coupling, i.e. financial instability.

Applications should demonstrate an interest in developing both a theoretical and empirical contribution, together with an insight into previous engagement with these issues.

259 http://business-school.open.ac.uk/research/research-degrees/phd-studentships
260 mailto:dimitris.sotiropoulos@open.ac.uk
Successful applicants will use and build on existing datasets on financial portfolio holdings of individuals and of institutional investors, as well as collect relevant market data. They will also join a growing and vibrant group of PhD students in the Open University Business School.

**Newsletters**

**Binzagr Institute for Sustainable Prosperity**

Link to the latest issue of the Newsletter is available [here](http://us9.campaign-archive1.com/?u=83e3e436e1729a8ada363869b&id=eaba0d80ed).

**Union for Radical Political Economics**

Link to the latest issue of the URPE Newsletter is available [here](http://urpe.org/?page=urpe_activities&side=urpe_newsletter).

**For Your Information**

**World Economics Association: Pedagogy Blog**

The posts aim to share experiences and suggestions on teaching and learning economics, with a strong focus on methods leading to deep understanding of current real world economic issues.

Current editors: Prof. Maria Alejandra Madi and Prof. Asad Zaman

Link to the blog is available [here](https://weapedagogy.wordpress.com/).