

Call for papers



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ECONOMICS, HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT

From the very start of the discipline, economists have been concerned with the relationship between historical evolution and economic progress. However, since the Second World War the issues of history, space and development have lost most of their lustre within economic theory.

Over the past decades, a new phase of 'economics imperialism' has signified a revival of mainstream interest in the relationship between the social and the economic. Not surprisingly, the fields of economic history and development economics are at the forefront of these new initiatives. Indeed, economic history was amongst the first fields where an earlier phase of economic imperialism was tested during the 60s, through the application of economic modeling and quantitative analysis, giving rise to cliometrics or the new economic history. More recently, the initiatives have been revitalized by the applications of the new information economics and the new institutional economics. Parallels can be observed in the emergence and strengthening of the new development economics.

The rediscovery of the social, the historical, the spatial, the institutional and the developmental, has not led to major innovations in methodology or theory within mainstream economics. Thus, while interest in the relationship between the economy, society geography and history is reaching new heights, the analytical content of new developments has not kept pace.

This raises an acute challenge, both substantive and strategic, for those working in evolutionary, institutional and Marxist economics, who remain wedded to an understanding based on a systemic and historical content. How ready is evolutionary political economy to face these challenges? The evolutionary and institutional paradigm has produced important ideas on the understanding of evolutionary processes, the analysis of economic complexity, the dynamics of institutional change, and many other fields. Is the time ripe to attempt to weld these ideas into a unified framework that might allow us to put history and economic development back at centre stage?

Conference Local Organisers

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Submission of papers

Submission of Proposals: Participants may submit proposals for papers or sessions and indicate to which research area the proposal belongs or is closest to (see www.eaepe.org or the newsletter).

For papers, send in a 600-1000 word abstract to **pec139@abdn.ac.uk** by **March 31 of 2004**. For sessions, accompany the abstracts of the separate papers with a short description of how the session coheres together.

You must register for the conference upon acceptance of your abstract for the programme.

A final version of accepted papers will be re-requested by August 31 of 2004, in order for papers to be included in the proceedings, published on CD-Rom.

See www.eaepe.org for information concerning the conference.

For questions concerning the sessions please con-tact John Finch, programme organizer, at: peel139@abdn.ac.uk.

Conference bookings and fees

All conference bookings and fees should be sent to Albert Jolink, Erasmus Center for History in Management and Economics, Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University Rotterdam, P.O. Box 1738, 3000 DR Rotterdam, The Netherlands.

Please note that you have to be an EAEPE member in order to attend the Conference. Payment should be made in Euros by credit card (provide number: and expiry date) or bank transfer to Albert Jolink. If you do not have the 2004 conference booking form or the 2004 EAEPE membership form, please download it from www.eaepe.org.

The conference fee is 145 Euros plus an addition of 35 Euros for booking received on or after 1 September 2004. The conference fee includes registration, conference materials and coffee during the breaks. Hotel bookings are the responsibility of delegates themselves.

Alternatively, the organization offers a special conference package-deal including conference fee, accommodation, opening buffet, lunches, conference dinner, transport from the airport, buses from and to the venue of the conferences, visit to Knossos and the Heraclion Museum. For further information please see www.eaepe.org.

The conference fee may be waived for EAEPE members without adequate means of financial support and with a gross annual income equivalent of less than 2,270 Euros per year. This offer is limited to the number of places available. In a limited number of cases, the conference fee may be reduced to 90 Euros for EAEPE members earning less than 22,700 Euros a year and without alter-native means of financial support. To apply for the conference fee to be reduced or waived write to Albert Jolink at the address above. Include a completed conference booking form, a letter explaining the basis of the application and indicate whether your abstract has been accepted on the programme.

An administration fee of 45 Euros will be deducted from conference fees returned to delegates due to cancellation of attendance by the delegates.