This is the call for papers of Research Area [E1] Industrial Policy and Development for the next EAEPE annual conference 2020 which will be held in Bilbao, from 2nd to 4th September.

The resurgence of interest to industrial policy in the recent years has brought to the foreground the debate on industrial policy’s legitimacy and the discussion on what should be the principles of such a policy.

The standard growth recipe of minimal government intervention focusing on improving the business environment, institutions, infrastructures, in the context of preserving macro-economic stability proved to be insufficient for long-term growth. Especially in the case of Europe after the economic crisis many scholars advocated for different strategies aiming to structural changes concerning the state, the public administration, the technological and productive capabilities in industry, the funding mechanisms for supporting industrial development, the need for ambitious policies to create conditions for high and sustained long-term growth.

Today, it seems that the industrial policy ‘debate’ still remains, with standard economics remaining hostile to industrial policy, despite the rising demand for industrial policy expertise especially since 2008.

In this context, this year in addition to its general research interests, Research Area [E1] calls for papers presenting experience from industrial policy implementation in different countries after the economic crisis with an eye to the years to come. What are the different strategies implemented in different national contexts? Do such strategies address the new challenges ahead such as the integration to new governance structures of the global economy, climate change, energy transition and saving, the advent of the new generation technologies (AI, robotics, big data etc.), inequality, migration flows etc. and how?

Important Dates

- 1 April, 2020: Abstract Submission Deadline for all kind of sessions
- 30 April, 2020: Notification of Abstract Acceptance; Registration Opens
- 27 May, 2020: Early Registration Closes
- 25 June, 2020: Late Registration Closes (for authors to be included in the scientific programme)
- 31 July, 2020: Submission of Full Papers Deadline

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