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The economic crisis and the renewal of the European model(s) Revisiting the debate on varieties of capitalism

Call for papers

During the 1990s (the « new economy » era) and the beginning of the 2000s, liberal market economies (LMEs) were usually presented as performing better than coordinated market economies (CMEs) regarding their economic performances (growth rates, productivity, employment, finance, etc.), and this due to their flexibilities despite their negative impacts (income inequalities). In-depth studies of socioeconomic performances contested such a view and highlighted instead the successes of some European countries as well as the limited performances of some LMEs, including the US. Nevertheless, the dominant political view continued to stress the superior efficiency of market-based mechanisms of coordination and, due to the globalization process, concluded that CMEs would have no other choice than to introduce more flexibility in their markets (product, labour, finance, etc.). The 2008 financial crisis challenges such a view as CMEs – including emerging countries – have tended to show greater powers of adaptation to the crisis, in particular by limiting its negative impact on their financial structures and employment. Indeed, an unexpected flexibility has often been revealed and the virtues of regulation have been rediscovered.

Given such a general context, theoretical debates on varieties of capitalism now clearly need to deepen analysis of the diversity of socioeconomic models, especially through confronting the following challenges:

- By developing a dynamic approach to institutional changes
- Understanding adaptations to the economic crisis
- Analysing the diversity of European forms of capitalism and its future
- Taking into account interaction between scales of regulation (EU, national governments, regions)
- Articulating micro/meso/macro approaches to institutional diversity
- Integrating into analysis financialisation, growth and inequalities
- Developing varieties of capitalism approaches within new areas of research: environmental issues, emerging economies, etc.

Keynote speakers: **David Soskice** (Oxford University) and **Takahiro Fujimoto** (Hosei University, Tokyo, to be confirmed)

Keywords: institutional change, comparative analysis of capitalism, European model

Submission of abstracts:

Upload a 600-700 word abstract through the EAEPE website <http://eaepe.org/> by May 15, 2010

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- ✓ title of the paper
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- ✓ (expected) results and/or conclusion
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