EAEPE and YSI-INET International Symposium 2018 – Paradigms of economic policy: examples and lessons from the Nordics

Venue: Elgeseter Campus, Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), Trondheim, Norway.

Organizers: Roberto Iacono (NTNU), Jonathon Moses (NTNU).

Publication outlet: a selected set of papers from the symposium will be reviewed and published in a dedicated Forum section of Intereconomics – Review of European Economic Policy.

Dates: to be held on 14-15.6.2018. Abstract submission to econpolicynordics@isa.ntnu.no before 20.2.2018. Please mention in your abstract submission whether you wish to submit your work for the dedicated Forum section of Intereconomics. Notification of acceptance to the symposium: 1.3.2018. Paper submission, 2500-4000 words per contribution (this applies only to the authors shortlisted for the joint submission to Intereconomics): 1.6.2018.

Organization details: participation and official dinner is free for accepted speakers. However, participants need to make their own travel arrangements.

Scientific committee: Roberto Iacono (NTNU), Pasquale Tridico (Roma Tre U), Francesco Nicoli (UVA).

Keynote speakers: Andreas Bergh (Lund University & IFN); Erik Bengtsson (Lund University).

The symposium focuses on the various paradigms of economic and social policy at work in the Scandinavian countries, in light of the most recent macroeconomic developments given by increased inequality, population ageing and automation. The Nordic model is commonly referred to as a successful combination of sustained macroeconomic performances and high scores for a large array of social indicators. How have increasing inequality of labor/capital income affected the Nordic countries and their institutional characteristics? Can we claim that the starting point of low post-tax income inequality will reduce the negative consequences of the upcoming shocks to employment due to automation? Will population ageing provide a boost or a brake in the shift towards new forms of employment? Can the history of the Nordic model in the last decades provide relevant lessons for the future of work in Europe and in developing countries?

The symposium welcomes contributions from scholars in economics, political economy, economic and social history, or neighboring disciplines that may contribute to its goals. Three different panels will be organized:

- The Nordic model of economic development and welfare: historical traits.
- Economic and social policy in the Nordics: recent developments.
- Policy lessons for the rest of Europe and for developing countries.