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The 13th Biennial ATHENIAN POLICY FORUM CONFERENCE

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ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL ASYMMETRIES: POST FINANCIAL AND DEBT CRISES

Athens, Greece, July 7-9, 2016

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

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CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES AND SUGGESTED TOPICS

In the wake of the 2008 U.S. financial crisis, the current European sovereign debt crisis, and the recent political and social turmoil in the Middle East and North Africa Region, the 13th biennial APF conference will address those asymmetries in post financial, political and debt crises. Interestingly enough, while some developed and emerging economies have weathered well the consequences of those crises, others were severely negatively affected by those crises. If so, this APF conference hopes to bring many North American, Mediterranean, and European scholars together to share their experiences with one another. Especially, in light of the current slow and uneven global economic recovery, the scholars and practitioners at this conference should discuss all aspects of global economic, political and financial asymmetries, with emphasis on appropriate economic policies needed to address the sovereign debt crisis of the EU, the persistently social and political unrest in the Middle East, the quantitative easing measures in the US and the EU and their implications on exchange rates, growth and unemployment.

Economic, political, and institutional asymmetries, however, have far greater reach, going beyond just financial and debt crises. Many general topics in macroeconomics, development and finance touch on political and social asymmetries. For example, developmental issues on growth, production and the inefficient allocation of resources, pricing inefficiencies in commodity and energy markets, and frequent market failures are all current issues of interest. Similarly, macroeconomic issues on persistent high unemployment, global monetary and fiscal stability, the future of the euro, and the role of China and India in the global economy are also important. Furthermore, financial issues on macro-prudential regulation via Basel III, the Dodd-Frank Act, sovereign debt management, banking and corporate deleveraging, regulation on money management, and future of investment banking and universal banking are major topics of interest as well.

You are cordially invited to submit your research papers for presentation consideration at the 13th Biennial Athenian Policy Forum Conference that will take place on **7-9 July 2016** at the Athens University of Economics and Business, Greece. This two-day conference, hosted in particular by Athens University of Economics and Business, aims to bring together academics, practitioners and policymakers sharing interests in Economics, financial, political and institutional asymmetries. It also provides a forum for presenting new research results as well as discussing current and challenging issues in the wake of the recent debt, financial and political crises.

TOPICS

We welcome submissions in all areas of Economic, Financial, Political and Institutional asymmetries, (earlier submission is highly encouraged).

The main topics of the conference include, but not limited to: Financial crises and contagion; Financial engineering and derivatives; Foreign currency issues; Global imbalances & sustainability; macroeconomics and development; production and the inefficient allocation of resources, pricing inefficiencies in commodity and energy markets, and frequent market failures. Similarly, macroeconomic issues on persistent high unemployment, global monetary and fiscal stability, evaluation of QE, the future of the euro, and the role of China and India in the global economy are also important. Furthermore, financial issues on macro-prudential regulation via Basel III, the Dodd-Frank Act, sovereign debt management, banking and corporate deleveraging, regulation on money management, and future of investment banking and universal banking are major topics of interest as well.

PAPER SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

Authors are invited to submit an abstract or a complete paper (in English) in WORD/PDF files, by **March 30**, **2016**, to the **coordinator** of the local organizing committee Prof. George Bitros: <u>bitros@aueb.gr</u>, or to Prof. Tassos Malliaris: <u>Tmallia@luc.edu</u>. No submission fee is required.

Authors will be notified no later than **April 30**, along with a preliminary conference program. Participants must commit to attending the conference by **May 15**, **2016**. There will be a registration fee of **100 euro**, payable (by cash or cheque) at the registration desk at the conference venue.

PUBLICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Authors of the presented conference papers will be invited to submit their work for possible publication to: (a) the *Journal of Economic Asymmetries*, sponsored by the Athenian Policy Forum and published by Elsevier Science: <u>http://www.journals.elsevier.com/the-journal-of-economic-asymmetries</u>, (b) the Journal *European Research Studies*: <u>http://www.ersj.eu</u>, and (c) *Spoudai* and *International Journal of Economics & Business Administration*, both of which are referenced in the main citation databases, and details can be found, respectively, in: <u>http://spoudai.unipi.gr/index.php/spoudai</u> and <u>http://www.ijeba.com</u>.

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