The Thirteenth Annual Conference of the Association for Heterodox Economics (AHE) will be held at Nottingham Trent University, UK from 6-9 July 2011.

In more than ten years the AHE has established a reputation as a major national and international forum for the discussion of alternatives to mainstream economics, and for the interdisciplinary and pluralistic nature of its discussions. It is also plays an ongoing role in strengthening the community of heterodox economists, and to the development of heterodox economic theories on various themes through the dissemination of ideas and arguments.

The esteem of the economics profession has reached an all-time low, in the wake of the global financial crisis that most economists failed to predict. In this context we have a particularly important role to play as heterodox economists, many of whom were well aware that the crisis was imminent and who also have a range of proposals for new stable and sustainable economic and social structures.

For 2011 the AHE Conference theme is *Economists of Tomorrow*. This reflects the fact that, the world over, we are focused on challenging the hegemonic domination of our profession by just one approach embedded in mainstream economics, the neoclassical approach. The clear failure of neoclassical economics to predict, explain or find solutions to the global financial and economic crises makes it vulnerable. It is our intention is to use this opportunity to further expand and strengthen the case for pluralism within the economics profession.

Particular topics of interest under this over-arching theme include: addressing the power structures of the profession such as the Research Excellence Framework, the Royal Economic Society and the ABS ranking of economics journals; pluralism in research and teaching; research evaluation; openness to innovation and creativity; and the relationships between economists and decision-makers. The 2011 Conference will have both refereed and non-refereed papers. All paper proposals should indicate whether the paper is intended to be refereed or not.

A feature of the AHE is as a pluralist forum for dialogue. Consequently, the conference will also provide a broad pluralistic and interdisciplinary forum to discuss issues that members of the AHE and others feel are important. To gain an idea of the sorts of topics and issues that may be of interest to participants please see the details of the AHE conference 2010 at either [www.hetecon.org](http://www.hetecon.org) or [www.open.ac.uk/socialsciences/hetecon/conference/2010/](http://www.open.ac.uk/socialsciences/hetecon/conference/2010/)

The international character of the conference has been a vital factor in its growing success. Scholars requiring documentation in support of visa or funding applications should indicate this at the time of submitting an abstract or panel proposal. Conference registration fees, all transportation and accommodation costs are at the expense of participants. Nevertheless, the AHE Conference Steering Committee is able to allocate some limited funding to assist participants from outside the US and European Union whose proposal is accepted. If you wish to apply for help with your conference costs please contact the organising committee (AHEConference@ntu.ac.uk).

The conference language is English.
Details regarding submission and registration

The conference invites submissions for single papers, panels and sessions of relevance to the overarching conference theme or address topics or issues of importance to heterodox economics from standpoints which differ from, or critically examine, mainstream economics.

To facilitate dialogue and timetabling, participants whose papers are accepted must register by **Sunday 12 June 2011**. All participants will be expected to take part in at least two full days of the conference, in order to be included in the final programme. Participants should also be prepared to serve as discussants and/or session chairs. Further registration details will be announced later.

**Single papers**

All participants including those proposed for sessions and themes must submit an abstract to the conference website at [www.hetecon.org](http://www.hetecon.org). The abstract, which must be no longer than one page, should include a brief informative title, a clear statement of the issue the proposed paper will address, its main points, and its argument. Your abstract must state if you wish your paper to be considered for a theme and if you require it to be refereed. You must provide contact and affiliation details for all authors. If your paper is submitted in the name of more than one author, please indicate who will receive correspondence. The authors of successful abstracts will be notified and **must provide a complete paper**, unless the proposal is to be taken in a poster session, by the deadline for papers (see below). Both papers and abstracts must either be in Word or PDF format.

**Complete sessions**

The AHE welcomes proposals for complete single sessions and encourages those which address a single topic or issue from a variety of viewpoints or disciplines. Session proposals should be sent to AHEconference@ntu.net and should include:

- a short title (no more than 5 words),
- a description of the session which should be no more than one page
- the names of the proposed participants in the session
- an abstract for each paper to be included in the session
- the name and email address of the session organiser.

**Themes**

We encourage proposals for themes which address a single topic or issue from a variety of viewpoints or disciplines. The conference committee will work with theme organisers, when constructing the conference programme, to construct a coherent list of sessions for the theme, and schedule these so that participants can follow the theme. Theme proposals should be sent to AHEConference@ntu.net and should include:

- a short title (no more than 5 words),
- a short description of the type of paper that would be suitable for inclusion in the theme, and
- the name and email address(es) of the theme organiser(s).

Themes, once agreed by the conference committee, will be posted on the website along with contact details for theme organisers up until the closing date for papers. When submitting paper proposals, authors will be invited to indicate for which theme, if any, they consider it suitable. Theme organisers will be asked to consider all such submissions for inclusion.

**Poster sessions**

Poster sessions are intended to encourage new work by postgraduate or postdoctoral students, will depend on the number of submissions, and will be announced nearer the date of conference. If you wish your paper to be presented in a poster session, you need not provide a complete paper.
Deadlines

Proposal for panels are to be submitted by **Sunday 14 November 2010**. Proposals for sessions are to be submitted by **Sunday 30 January 2011**. Abstracts for all papers—to be included in a panel, theme or general conference session, and poster sessions—are to be submitted by Sunday **30 January 2011**.

The AHE Committee will consider all proposals and abstracts and will notify you of the acceptance or rejection of your proposal.

Panel proposals will be notified by **Monday 29 November 2010**. Session proposals will be notified by **Monday 14 February 2011**. Paper proposals will be notified by **Monday 14 February 2011**.

Refereed papers are to be submitted by **Sunday 15 May 2011**. Non-refereed papers are to be submitted by **Sunday 29 May 2011**.

Those submitting refereed and non-refereed papers must register, for a minimum of two days of the conference, by **Sunday 12th June 2011**. Registration details will be announced later.

All proposals, abstracts and papers are to be submitted via the AHE website: [www hetecon org](http://www.hetecon.org).

All queries relating to the conference, but not concerning the submission of proposals or papers, should be addressed to: Bruce Philp ([AHEConference@ntu.ac.uk](mailto:AHEConference@ntu.ac.uk)).

To keep up to date with the 2011 conference and other AHE activities, subscribe to the AHE-ANNOUNCE mailing list ([www.jiscmail.ac.uk/cgi-bin/webadmin?A0=AHE-ANNOUNCE](http://www.jiscmail.ac.uk/cgi-bin/webadmin?A0=AHE-ANNOUNCE)) and visit [www.open.ac.uk/socialsciences/hetecon/conference/2010/](http://www.open.ac.uk/socialsciences/hetecon/conference/2010/) or [www.hetecon.org](http://www.hetecon.org). Earlier conferences can also be found at [www.hetecon.com](http://www.hetecon.com)