

Call for papers

1st World Keynes Conference Izmir University of Economics, Izmir/Turkey 26.- 29. June 2013

“Attacking the Citadel: Making Economics Fit for Purpose”

Economics as a science ought to be in disarray. Its vastly dominant mainstream models and policy recommendations – based on rational representative agents for example – should have suffered a devastating blow in response to the recent world financial crisis and even be seen as part of its cause. Whilst initiatives such as the Institute for New Economic Thinking or the foundation of the outspokenly pluralist World Economic Association demonstrate that there is now more room for dissenting views among economists and in the general public, it is still uncertain whether a more open and fruitful economics will prevail within the discipline. What can be learned from the past, including the experience of the “Keynesian revolution”, is that a major crisis can indeed challenge outdated theories, although it is salutary to bear in mind that the stagflation of the 1970s ultimately underpinned the emergence of the new classical economics. Its mark remains heavy on the discipline even where its extreme postures are rejected.

Against this background, the 1st World Keynes Conference will bring together economists and other social scientists from around the world to discuss alternatives to prevailing conventional wisdom from a variety of ‘heterodox’ approaches and theoretical perspectives, including:

- Post Keynesianism
- Marxism, the Regulation School and the Social Structure of Accumulation Approach
- Institutionalism
- Neoricardianism
- Schumpeterianism and Evolutionary Economics
- Social Economics
- Behavioural Economics
- Feminist Economics

The 1st World Keynes Conference attempts to take up all issues that are of interest to ‘heterodox economists’ ranging over microeconomics, macroeconomics, political economy and policy issues. Particular emphasis will be on:

- Methodological issues
- Issues of the history of economic analysis
- Issues related to economic pluralism
- Issues related to the comparison and complementarity of different paradigms
- Issues related to the Professional and Intellectual Ethics and Practices of economists
- Issues related to Keynes, the Arts and the public role in culture

The stance taken by the organizers of the 1st World Keynes Conference is one of inclusion, not of exclusion.

Abstract and Panel Submissions

To submit a proposal please send an abstract of about 400 words for a paper and/or a proposal of about 600 words for a session, together with the abstracts of the session papers, no later than **November 30, 2012**. Please include the title of the session or the paper, the authors' names and institutional affiliations, and contact information in the form of an e-mail address for the corresponding author.

Submissions of Abstract Proposals and Conference Registration should be made through the Conference Webpage at <http://ekolider.ieu.edu.tr/keynes/> or sent to: Prof. Arne Heise at arne.heise@wiso.uni-hamburg.de. The subject line should read WKC Izmir 2013.

Keynote Speakers

- **Philip Arestis (University of Cambridge)**
- **Wolfram Elsner (University of Bremen)**
- **Gerald Epstein (University of Massachusetts/Amherst)**
- **Heinz Kurz (University of Graz)**

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Further Information

The following journals will consider publishing peer reviewed papers to the conference:

- American Journal of Economics and Sociology
- International Journal of Public Policy
- Review of Keynesian Economics
- Forum for Social Economics

Important Dates

November 30, 2012 - Deadline for Abstract Submission

December, 2012 - Notification of Accepted Abstracts

April 15, 2013 - Conference Registration Deadline

May 15, 2013 - Deadline for Submitting Full Papers

June 26, 2013 - Opening Plenary Session and Reception

June 27, 2013 - Conference Dinner

June 29, 2013 - Closing Keynote Address