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**Revised Call for papers 16th February 2010**

The Twelfth Conference of the Association of Heterodox Economics (AHE) will be held at the University of Bordeaux – France – from Wednesday 7th to Saturday 10th July 2010. This year's Conference theme is *The Economy of Tomorrow*. This revised call for papers includes a list of key speakers and events, and seven peer-reviewed conference themes agreed by 15<sup>th</sup> February 2010. To allow extra time for submissions, the deadline for proposals has been postponed to **April 11<sup>th</sup> 2010**

#### **Speakers so far accepted**

*Maybe I should have: a tale from the economic wonder Iceland* – the acclaimed new documentary film on Iceland's bank crisis, presented by producer *Lilja Skaftadottir* and director *Gunnar Sigurdsson*, a founder of the Iceland Civic Forum

*Diane Elson* is Professor of Sociology, and member of the Centre for Economic Sociology and Innovation at the University of Essex, UK. She is a former vice-chair of the International Association for Feminist Economics.

*Arild Vatn*, Professor of ecological economics in the Norwegian University of Life Sciences and President of the European Society for Ecological Economics (ESEE)

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Long run processes have exacerbated the contradictions of the world economic system leading to a crisis in all spheres including social, political, financial and environmental. The economic crisis that opened in 2008 increases our awareness that economies and societies must change radically in all these spheres in the 21st Century, though views of the changes required, and their depth, will differ. This conference will provide a forum for discussion on current and future changes needed in developed and developing economies in all these spheres. The following areas, closely intertwined in theory and in policy action, are of special interest but this is not an exhaustive list and do not preclude other topics approached with a holistic perspective:

1. Social aspects: for example income distribution, labour markets, pensions, the nature of work, poverty, human development, welfare;
2. Financial aspects: for example financialization, capital mobility, corporate governance, taxes on international monetary transactions, financial innovations and possible reforms;
3. Environmental aspects: for example models of production and consumption, eco-innovations, environmental governance, alleviation or adaptation to global warming, and new cities;
4. North-South relations: for example the trajectories of emerging countries, potential for a new world order, international trade, development aid, development cooperation;
5. The reform of economics: for example pluralism in research and teaching, evaluation and metrics, innovation and creativity, and the relation between economists and decision-makers.

The conference invites submissions on or before **11<sup>th</sup> April 2010** which either accord with the conference title; or which otherwise deal with topics of ongoing interest in heterodox economics. Building on successful recent innovation, we invite proposals for *themes*: connected sets of sessions providing for dialogue around a single topic. Papers selected for inclusion in a theme will be peer reviewed by the theme organisers. A theme proposal should provide

1. An appeal for submissions to a consistent set of panels of no more than 500 words;
2. A short title for the theme (no more than 10 words);
3. The name of panel organisers or organiser, together with contact details;
4. A brief description of the peer review process which the theme organisers will apply.

Standards for peer review are under still discussion in the AHE; for the 2010 conference, theme organisers will be responsible for reviewing the papers accepted into their theme, applying generally accepted academic standards, but having specific regard to pluralist principles.

The closing date for theme submissions is **11<sup>th</sup> April**, the same as that for papers. This call includes details of the themes so far selected by the conference committee. The conference language is English.

### **Guidelines for submission**

There will be two types of session, regular sessions and poster sessions. **Regular sessions** will be 90 minutes long and will usually consist of either two papers with at least one discussant, or three papers with or without a discussant. **Poster sessions**, which encourage new and incomplete work, will allow participants to display their main ideas, distribute their work, and discuss their work with colleagues

Participants in normal sessions, whether themes or general papers, must submit an abstract by **11<sup>th</sup> April 2010** and must provide a full paper by **23<sup>rd</sup> May 2010**. Participants who cannot provide a complete paper by the deadline will be invited to present their ideas in a poster session.

All participants must register by **June 6th 2010**. Participants will be expected to take part in at least two full days of the conference to be included in the final programme. Participants should also be prepared to serve as discussants and/or session chairs.

### **Themes**

Please send a short title for the theme as well as a short description of the papers that are requested and the name of panel organisers or organiser. Please send these by email only to the local organiser Ali Douai ([ahe2010@u-bordeaux4.fr](mailto:ahe2010@u-bordeaux4.fr)), and the AHE coordinator, Alan Freeman ([afreeman@iwgvt.org](mailto:afreeman@iwgvt.org)).

### **Proposals for single papers**

This year, conference submissions will be automated. Please visit the site [www.hetecon.org](http://www.hetecon.org) and follow the instructions there. The site is under development; should you encounter difficulties please contact the organisers at the address given above. As part of the procedure, you will be able to indicate whether you are submitting your paper to a theme or for a regular session.

### **Support for international scholars**

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 in their initial submission. The fees, cost for transportation and accommodation are at the expense of participants. Nevertheless, the steering committee hopes to attribute some limited grants to participants from outside the US and European Union whose proposal for a paper or theme has been accepted. To apply, please contact the steering committee ([ahe2010@u-bordeaux4.fr](mailto:ahe2010@u-bordeaux4.fr)) by **Monday 29th March 2010**.

### **Deadlines**

**Proposals for themes, and for single papers** should be received by **11<sup>th</sup> April 2010**.

The AHE Committee will consider all proposals for themes as soon as practically possible. Accepted themes will be posted on the AHE website at [www.hetecon.net](http://www.hetecon.net). The committee, working with theme organisers, will consider all submissions soon after 11<sup>th</sup> April and will notify participants of **acceptance or rejection** of their initial proposal by **Monday 22nd April 2010**. Participants who submit proposals before the earlier publicised deadline will be notified of acceptance or rejection by **22<sup>nd</sup> March** as originally advertised.

Acceptance is conditional, except for poster sessions, on receipt of a **full paper by 23rd May 2010**.

**All acceptances are conditional on registration for a minimum of two days of the conference, by Sunday June 6<sup>th</sup> 2010**. Registration details will be published later.

### **Notes**

To see details of previous conferences, to keep up to date with the 2010 conference and other AHE activities, and to keep yourself informed of AHE activities subscribe to the AHE-ANNOUNCE mailing list by visiting [www.jiscmail.ac.uk/ahe-announce](http://www.jiscmail.ac.uk/ahe-announce).

## CONFERENCE THEMES

Themes below have already been approved and you are invited to contribute to them. Non-themed papers are also welcome; further themes may be submitted up to April 11th

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### Theme 1: Modelling the future. The future of Post Keynesian Economics

ADEK (Association for the Development of Post-Keynesian Studies)

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The general idea is to deal with issues that make post Keynesians relevant to address the main challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, namely:

- How to integrate radical uncertainty, the place of psychological variables, of the conventions, of power, etc.?
  - Alternative approaches to financialization and finance-led capitalism.
  - How to integrate the ecological constraint? How to deal with Sustainable development? How to conciliate the place of money or growth theory with a sustainability-based approach?
  - Alternative strategies of development and North-South relationships.
  - Modelling the future: stock-flow consistent models.
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### Theme 2: Finance, Innovation, and Economic Performance

Supported by the FINNOV project funded through Theme 8 of the 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme of the European Commission (Socio-Economic Sciences and the Humanities), under the topic "The role of finance in growth, employment and competitiveness in Europe".

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This panel session on finance, innovation, and economic performance seeks to explore the ways in which, in different nations, financial institutions affect investments in innovation and the impacts of these investments on equitable and stable economic growth. We live in a highly financialized world in which masses of capital search the globe for high returns. Sometimes these returns are the result of speculation on financial markets that escalate into crises. Meanwhile, behind the scenes there are often powerful actors seeking to manipulate the markets for their own gain. Over the long run, however, if there are to be returns to capital, a substantial proportion of it must be committed to innovation: that is, the generation of higher quality, lower cost goods and services that provide the foundation for economic growth. Despite globalization, the financial institutions that channel capital into investments in innovation still have a distinctly national character. Furthermore, while innovation creates the possibility for economic growth, national economic institutions can have significant impacts on the relation between those who contribute to the value-creation process and those who are positioned to extract value from successful innovation. If the relation between value-creation and value-extraction becomes too inequitable, the innovation process may itself be undermined, thus contributing to an unstable economy. We invite scholars to submit proposals for papers that the relation between finance and innovation, between innovation and performance, or both. The range of topics of these papers could include:

- The relation between global capital flows and investment in innovative enterprise
  - How financial institutions support, or undermine, the innovation process in particular contexts (including firm-level case studies)
  - The roles of various types of financial actors in the finance of innovation
  - The relation between financial speculation and industrial innovation
  - Systemic modes of manipulating financial markets and the implications for innovation and economic performance
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- The importance of an equitable distribution of the gains from innovation to the success of the innovation process

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### **Theme 3: The dynamics of socio-economic models of development: understanding the recent past to foresee the future**

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This panel session aims at stimulating discussion and at improving the understanding of socio-economic models of development in emerging, transition and developing countries. The heterogeneity of institutions across countries and the complexity by which they jointly operate in economic outcomes is becoming an increasing concern for the economists. Consequently, the question of the diversity in the models of capitalist development should no longer be limited to the OECD countries. The papers that will be selected for the panel session should propose both theoretical and empirical approaches in order to understand how institutional arrangements mediate the complementarities and tradeoffs between the economic, social and environmental dimensions of development, especially in a context of increased openness and of rapid internal structural shifts. The studies focusing among other things on the way socio-political conflicts bring about institutional change, on the complementarities between institutions and reforms, and on the diversity of institutional and economic models in emerging, transition and developing economies are particularly welcomed.

Within this agenda, we invite scholars with different backgrounds to submit proposals on: Growth and income distribution, Trade and investment, Labour, human development and migration, Industrial development and policies, Innovation and technology, Instability and crises, financial development, Institutions and regulation, North-South relationships, Institutional and structural changes, Political economy: actors, conflicts, cooperation, Social protection, Sustainability, etc.

We expect both empirically driven and theoretically informed papers, both studies of past and present experiences and prospective exercises. These can span all analytical levels.

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### **Theme 4: The informal economy in a globalized world**

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This panel session aims at stimulating discussion and improving the comprehension of the changing role and nature of informal economies in the era of globalized capitalism. During last decades informal economies have shown rapid growth in developing as well as in industrialized countries, notably because of global economic recession. Obviously the form and nature of informal economies differ from place to place. However significant common global and local dynamics are structuring the contemporary process of informalization.

These dynamics will be especially discussed here. At the global level, in a context of economic liberalization and deregulation the consequences of global value chains and international production networks for informal firms' dynamics and labour conditions call for examination. At the local level, the new entrants' pressure, combined with the scarcity of resources lead to major transformations in social regulation's forms that may be discussed. Special attention may notably be given to actors' various social responses and strategies (more or less organized, individually or collectively-based). In this context, informal economies also became an important field of political interests and struggles that should be analysed.

We hope to this panel session complete and carry on the fruitful discussions held during the 'Informal economy in the developing world: social networks and sustainability' sessions organized for the 11th AHE Conference in Kingston University (9-12 July, 2009). We invite various backgrounds scholars to submit proposals on the following topics:

Impact on informal economy of globalization and financial crisis, Informal labour and social protection, Social transformations, institutions and regulations (formal or informal), Urbanization and rural – urban dynamics, Collective initiative and civil society, Micro-finance and micro-insurance, Industrial districts, clusters, and global value chains, North-South relationships and comparisons, Policies measures toward informal economy, Informal economy and political clientelism, etc. We expect both theoretical and empirical

papers, notably in an interdisciplinary perspective. These can span all analytical levels and be based on both quantitative and qualitative methods.

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### **Theme 5: The Future of World Capitalism**

The *Future of World Capitalism* book series, in association with Pluto Press

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We invite submissions of papers for a set of panels to be held at the 12<sup>th</sup> annual conference of the Association for Heterodox Economics (AHE), July 7-10, Bordeaux, France. The panels will develop discussion on the themes of the *Future of World Capitalism* book series, whose aims can be viewed at [www.radicaldemon.org](http://www.radicaldemon.org)

We seek to rekindle discussion on world development as a historical and global process – that is, neither as a collection of separate assorted national development trajectories, nor as the working out of an abstract trans-national logic – which has been eclipsed by the exhausted discourse of globalization and the ascendant neo-conservative discourse of empire and the so-called clash of civilizations. Our aim is the thoroughgoing theoretical renewal of the terms of intellectual discourse to emerge from the impasses into which these have led.

We seek a re-assessment of classical discussion, beginning with the classical theorization of imperialism and the ‘national question’ in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. This was succeeded by two distinct Marxist traditions: on the one hand soviet theories of national stages of development and on the other, the tradition of ‘combined and uneven development’. There was also the explicitly anti-Marxist Modernization theory which emerged to theorize ‘development’ and was criticized by avowedly Marxist dependency and world systems theories. These critical currents were, in their turn, criticized by other Marxists in the 1960s and 1970s giving rise, among other things, to the modes of production debate. There was, finally, the literature on ‘developmental states’ which largely concentrated on the Newly Industrializing Countries (NICs) in the second half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, but also ties in with the national political economy of the rise of the first generation of ‘late industrializers’ theorized by Carey, List, Gerschenkron and others.

We invite papers which take a fresh look at issues of development and the future evolution of world capitalism, by linking back to one or more of these currents and debates and assessing their utility for understanding the current conjuncture of world development. We particularly welcome papers from critical scholars of economics, political studies, international relations, political economy and development studies.

Proposals may either be self-sufficient contributions, work in progress towards publishable books, or commentaries or presentations on existing books.

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### **Theme 6: Transitions towards an ecological economy**

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This panel session on the transitions towards an ecological economy aims to stimulate discussion on institutional changes and social transformations that would be needed to achieve attuned economy-environment relationships. It is now trivial to state that the economy of tomorrow will be ecological or will not be, but this implies a need to determine what an ecological economy is as well as to begin to sketch out the path(s) to be followed to attain it. This also requires providing a clear account of the systemic social and economic causes of the global ecological crisis. While ecological economists agree about the urgent need for change there are a range of interpretations and proposed solutions. Approaches differ with regard to the nature, the forms (e.g., avoidance or adaptation in face of climate change?) and the extent of change needed to jointly achieve an ecologically sensitive economy and human well-being.

We invite scholars with different backgrounds to submit proposals that develop the range and depth of research addressing issues related to the ecological economy theme. Our goal is to provide a forum for fruitful discussion between researchers of different schools of thought, e.g., representative of:

*Green Growth, Sustainable Development/Ecological Modernization, Ecological Economics, Neo/Classical Marxism, Green Economics, Institutional Economics/Regulation Theory, Sustainable De-Growth, etc.* and researchers dealing with potential tools for the transition(s) and their related issues, e.g.: *Innovation dynamics, eco-innovation, long-term investment, R&D transfer, Consumption dynamics and ethic, greening life-styles, 'prosperity without growth', Social metabolism, energy analysis, material-flows analysis, Internalization instruments, ecological regulations, governance of the commons, Sustainable management of natural resources, Measures of sustainability and well-being, North-South relationships, Institutional and structural changes (socio-economic dynamics as they would be influenced by sustainability issues, while at the same time influencing the latter's formulations), Conceptions of environmental values in decision-making, Inequalities (income, gender, social), work-time, etc.*

We expect both empirically driven and theoretically informed papers, both studies of past and present experiences and prospective exercises. These can span all analytical levels and all geographical scales.

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### **Theme 7: The political economy of tomorrow: ethics, development, and heterodox theories**

Association for Social and Economic Analysis and Rethinking Marxism  
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The 12th annual conference of the Association for Heterodox Economics will focus on the *Economy of Tomorrow*. The conference aims to be a platform of criticisms of and alternatives to the existing economic and social orders across the world. To be sure, an indispensable aspect of this process of reflections is not only the criticism of the orthodoxy, but a critical evaluation of the existing heterodoxies within political economy. It is in this spirit that we are inviting papers to be submitted to a theme entitled ***The political economy of tomorrow***

Within this stream, we are specifically seeking contributions on two topics

**1. Political Economy and Ethics:** The interface of economics with ethics is an emerging area within economics. Heterodox approaches can further strengthen their positions through a relentless criticism of the orthodoxy's desire to keep economics as a science which should not intermingle with ethical issues. We invite papers which discuss the relation within economics and ethics within any subdiscipline of heterodox political economy.

**2. Political Economy and Development:** Any reflection geared towards thinking tomorrow's economy has to reconsider the questions of development. Political economy needs to critically reflect once again on the discourses of development, especially in the context of the global transformations starting with the neoliberal area. How do we rethink and redefine development, in a global context which has seen emerging global economies such as China and India, amidst growing social and economic polarization within and among nations? We invite papers from all branches of heterodox economics, including feminist, Marxist, Institutionalist, Keynesian and PostKeynesian and other approaches which will engage with this and related questions.

We will also consider papers which contribute in other ways to the general critical reflection on heterodox economics, and/or deal with internal controversies within the broad field of heterodox political economy.