

Call For Papers

The Aftermath of The Crisis

2010 will likely be a year of recovery for the labour market after the global economic crisis, although some doubt remains about the robustness of the world economy.

In Australia, unemployment did not rise as much as was expected but rising underemployment appears to have borne the major brunt of the economic downturn. At present, total labour underutilisation is estimated by the ABS to be around 13.5 per cent.

The Centre of Full Employment and Equity (CofFEE) will hold its' annual conference on: **2nd and 3rd December 2010**. This will be the 12th Path to Full Employment and 17th National Unemployment.

The theme for this year's conference is *"The Aftermath of the Crisis"*, will focus on the recovery phase and will share ideas from the best researchers in the area about how we can quickly reduce the labour market slack that is now evident.

Topics

While papers in any area of labour market analysis will be of interest, papers will be particularly welcome in the following research and policy areas:

- Reflections on the global financial crisis? Reform agendas etc.
- Any research on unemployment - its dimensions, causes, cures.
- The labour market and the intergenerational debate.
- The policy challenge of emerging skill shortages and underutilisation - how do we design effective solutions to both?
- The increasing problem of underemployment and marginal workers.
- Why has work become more precarious? Is it a problem? What are the solutions?
- What is full employment? How is it defined and measured? How close are we to achieving full employment? What are the challenges that remain?
- Employment guarantees versus income guarantees - pros and cons.
- Why do disparities in regional labour markets persist? What is the extent of the problem and its solutions? Spatial patterns of work and housing.
- Long term, youth, disabled and indigenous unemployment.

Submission of Abstracts

Contributions can be made to both the Refereed (peer reviewed) or Non - Refereed streams. Refereed papers will be included in a printed volume of conference proceedings (which will constitute a referred conference paper under Australian government rules). The deadline for both types of abstracts is:

Monday 12th July 2010 5pm.

Those interested are asked to visit our website: <http://e1.newcastle.edu.au/coffee/conferences/2010/Guidelines.cfm> for the formatting requirements needed for the submission of papers as well as paper deadlines.

Please submit your abstract to the CofFEE office: coffee@newcastle.edu.au