



## SECOND CALL FOR PAPERS

- **EACES ANNOUNCES THAT ITS 8<sup>th</sup> BI-ANNUAL CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN BELGRADE (SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO) ON SEPTEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup> -25<sup>TH</sup>, 2004**
- **THE TOPIC OF THE CONFERENCE IS “EU ENLARGEMENT – WHAT COMES AFTER 2004?”**

Free papers on other subjects  
from all areas of comparative economics  
are welcomed.

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**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS: MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2004**  
**ACCEPTANCE OF SUBMITTED ABSTRACTS: MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2004**  
**SUBMISSION OF FINAL PAPERS: JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2004**

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BEING UP TO DATE WITH THE PAYMENT  
OF MEMBERSHIP FEES  
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TO THE CONFERENCE

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## **EU ENLARGEMENT – WHAT COMES AFTER 2004?**

Opening Panel. EU ENLARGEMENT – WHAT COMES AFTER 2004?

### Theme 1.

#### **THE NEW EU MEMBERS: HOW MUCH OF A SUCCESS STORY?**

- Costs and benefits for the new members in the short, medium and long run
- The role of foreign factors in the accession
- Trade-offs on the way to accession

### Theme 2.

#### **HOW POSSIBLE IS CATCHING UP IN THE EU?**

- How much real convergence is happening?
- Nominal vs. real convergence
- The new members and the Euro - can the adoption of the Euro be the solution?
- Policies for catching up

### Theme 3.

#### **EU 25. THE ISSUE OF MANAGING GROWING COMPLEXITY**

- Costs and benefits for EU 15
- Does enlargement undermine deepening?
- Needed reforms within EU
- Managing growing economic discrepancies
- How to adapt/ reform EU common policies after 2004?

### Theme 4.

#### **THE NEXT WAVES – IF, WHEN AND HOW**

- Are the remaining candidate countries prepared to join the EU in 2007?
- What happens with the Western Balkans?
- How will the 2004 wave of enlargement affect future/ potential waves?

### Theme 5.

#### **COMPARING EXPERIENCES ON THE WAY TO EU**

- “Stylised facts” of the accession processes (older and recent vintage)
- Comparison of the EU negotiation process in various candidate countries
- Comparison of European firms’ strategies in various candidate countries
- The social, political and economic costs: how to alleviate them?

### Theme 6.

#### INDUSTRIAL NETWORKS IN AN ENLARGED EU

- European firms' strategies
- Inward and outward FDI: dynamics and impact
- Changing organizational patterns?

### Theme 7.

#### LABOUR RELOCATION IN AN ENLARGED EU

- What trade-offs in employment?
- Analysis of de facto labour mobility within EU
- Reforming labour markets in the EU
- Are foreign remittances an engine of development for new entrants and candidate countries?

### Theme 8.

#### DEMOGRAPHICS IN EUROPE

- Aging and labour markets
- Aging and the welfare system
- Aging, labour markets and labour movements
- The issue of migration
- What reforms are needed to redress the imbalance

### Theme 9.

#### EXCHANGE RATE POLICIES FOR THE NEWCOMERS

- Exchange rate policies for the entrants: taking Euro on board?
- Exchange rate and monetary policies for the aspirant countries

### Theme 10.

#### BUDGET POLICIES IN THE NEW ENTRANTS AND ASPIRANT COUNTRIES

- The competing claims on national budgets
- Reforming the welfare system and reforming pensions systems
- How to use best regional funds
- Is fiscal neutrality supportive of catching up?
- Optimal policy mixes (the role of budget policy)

### Theme 11.

#### COMPETITIVENESS AND SPECIALIZATION IN AN ENLARGED EU

- European industrial networks (*per se* and comparative development)
- Evolution of foreign trade in EU25+
- Vertical vs. horizontal specialization
- Is there a technology gap between EU15, EU25 and EU25+?

### Theme 12.

#### WELFARE RELOCATION AT REGIONAL LEVEL IN AN ENLARGED EU

- Impact of relocation of EU regional and structural funding
- The future of EY regional and structural funding

### Theme 13

#### THE OUTSIDERS:

#### WHAT ARE THE CHANCES FOR JOINING THE EU?

- Western Balkans
- Former Soviet republics
- What policies are needed to ensure convergence? What is currently being done?

### Theme 14 (debate panel)

#### EURO vs. DOLLAR: AN EPIC FIGHT

- Trends and perspectives
- Is ECB making the right policies?
- Is the Stability Pact a victim?

### Special Theme.

#### THE FUTURE OF COMPARATIVE ECONOMICS: THEORY IN THE MAKING?

- Has the experience of transition changed the field of comparative economics?  
How?
- Theory and practice: a two way road?
- How to enhance the role of EACES

The General Meeting of EACES will take place on the same occasion.  
Detailed schedule will be communicated later.

### Abstracts

- Prospective participants should send an email message to the EACES Secretary, Liviu Voinea, at the address: [voineal@mailcity.com](mailto:voineal@mailcity.com) or [lvoinea@sar.org.ro](mailto:lvoinea@sar.org.ro) (tel: +40-723-010474, fax: +40-21-2221868)

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- The conference fee is estimated at 90 EUR for transition countries, and 140EUR for other countries. This fee includes: a welcome cocktail, three lunches, one dinner, publication of proceedings, transport from hotel to the Faculty during the conference.

However, depending on the total number of participants, the fee may be reduced. Further notice will be communicated in due time. The conference fee is payable upon arrival at the conference venue.

- Non-EU participants requiring financial support are asked to communicate their requests to the EACES Secretary. Limited financing might be available. Further notice will be communicated in due time

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A special EACES Selection Committee will select the best thesis.

## Info on organization

The 8<sup>th</sup> EACES Conference is organized in association with the Faculty of Economics, Belgrade University (Serbia and Montenegro).

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