Call for papers

The International Confederation of Associations for Pluralism in Economics (ICAPE) announces its 2nd international conference:

Economic Pluralism for the 21st Century
June 1-3, 2007
University of Utah -- Salt Lake City, Utah, USA

In the second half of the 20th century, neoclassical economics and its derivatives came to dominate economic thinking, teaching and policymaking. Humanity is increasingly feeling the consequences of this blinkered vision: the ever-widening gap between the very rich and all the rest; growing divergences in economic performance across nations and regions; globalization without global coordination for the common good; and economically induced climate change, with the mid-century prospect of an Earth unable to support even current levels of human population. Meta-externalities from economic systems are draining the resources on which they depend, from families and other institutions that educate and socialize human beings, to water, air, soil, and the diversity of species.

In a positive vein, economics in the 21st century has already taken a decidedly pluralist turn, spurred in part by the struggles of economists - mainstream and heterodox - to increase the relevance of economic theory, policy, and education in a changing and challenged world where no single theoretical tradition or institutional structure can reasonably claim to hold “the key” to human betterment.

ICAPE and the organizers of “Economic Pluralism for the 21st Century” invite proposals for papers that discuss or demonstrate the value of economic pluralism in any of its domains: economic theory and philosophy, economic institutions and policies, or economic education.

Panels will be organized around thematic topics, with an eye to encouraging dialogue among authors whose papers address similar issues from different points of view. In this fashion, we hope to promote critical engagement and mutual learning among conference participants.

Submission of Proposals

All paper and panel proposals should be submitted to Rob Garnett at r.garnett@tcu.edu, or by post to:

Rob Garnett
Department of Economics, Box 298510
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For individual paper proposals, please include: the paper title, a brief abstract (200-250 words), your name, contact address and institutional affiliation.

For panel proposals (3-4 papers), please include: the panel title, a brief description of the panel’s focus, a brief abstract (200-250 words) for each paper, and each panelist’s name, contact address, and
institutional affiliation. You are encouraged (but not required) to designate a session chair. Also, you are encouraged to propose a format for your session, including non-traditional formats such as roundtables, workshops, or presenter/audience dialogues.

Proposal deadline: January 15, 2007
Notification deadline: February 15, 2007

Conference Fees and Registration

The conference will be held over three days, beginning on Friday morning, June 1, 2007, and ending midday on Sunday, June 3.

The conference fee covers Friday and Saturday lunches, a conference dinner Friday evening, tea/coffee breaks throughout the conference, and all printed conference materials.

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To register for the conference, please fill out the registration and payment form (available at www.icape.org) and send it to:

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Lodging and Travel Information

A list of local hotels and other lodging options, along with basic travel information, will be available soon on the ICAPE website: www.icape.org.

Contact information

For further information about the conference or ICAPE, please visit the ICAPE website (www.icape.org) or contact Rob Garnett (r.garnett@tcu.edu) or one of the other organizers:

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