

2nd International PhD Meeting of Thessaloniki in Economics, 2014

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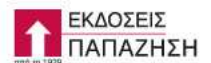
June 27-28, 2014

Conference rooms, A and B

1st floor

University of Macedonia

Thessaloniki, Greece



Friday, June 27th

Registration: 8:30 – 9:00

Welcome address: 9:00 – 9:05

Keynote speech: 9:05 – 10:05

Chair: Eftichios Sartzetakis, University of Macedonia, Greece

Product Offerings and Pricing of Vertically Differentiated Status Goods

George Deltas, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, United States

Coffee break: 10:05 – 10:30

Parallel sessions: 10:30 – 12:30

Room A: Labour

Chair: Sotiris Blanas

Dual Labor Markets and Firm Productivity

Shira Fano, Bocconi University, Italy

Exploring the Determinants of Labour Market Transitions in Greece: Evidence Before and During the Crisis

Joan Daouli, Michael Demoussis, Nicholas Giannakopoulos, **Nikolitsa Lampropoulou**, University of Patras, Greece

Private-Public Wage Differentials: the Case of Russian Federation

Tatyana Zhuravleva, Russian Academy for National Economy and Public Administration, Russia

Offshoring, labour market institutions and the elasticity of demand for different age-skill groups of workers

Sotiris Blanas, Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium

Room B: Forecasting

Chair: Ioana Boiciuc

The Curvature of the Yield Curve in Recession Forecasting

Efthymia Chrysanthidou, Periklis Gogas, Theophilos Papadimitriou, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece

NOWCASTING GDP in Greece: A Note on Forecasting Improvements from the Use of Bridge Models

Dimitra Labrou, University of Peloponnese, Greece

Monetary Aggregation and GDP Forecasting: A Support Vector Regression Framework

Elvira Takli, Theophilos Papadimitriou, Periklis Gogas, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece

The Effects of Fiscal Policy in Emerging Economies. A TVP-VAR Approach

Ioana Boiciuc, Academy of Economic Studies Bucharest, Romania

Lunch: 12:30 – 14:00

Keynote speech: 14:00 – 15:00

Chair: Theologos Pantelidis, University of Macedonia, Greece

Firm Productivity, Occupational Choice, and Inequality in a Global Economy

Elias Dinopoulos, University of Florida, United States

Coffee break: 15:00 – 15:30

Parallel sessions: 15:30 – 17:30

Room A: Economics of the EU

Chair: Anastasios Kitsos

Fiscal Policy and Economic Growth in the Euro Area

Teodora Dinova, South-West University Neofit Rilski, Bulgaria

Real Convergence vs. Macroeconomic Imbalances in the EU

Agnieszka Szczypinska, Warsaw School of Economics, Poland

Are There Ways to Avoid the Political Instability even during Severe Financial Crisis? Evidence from the European Union's Countries

Evangelos Vasileiou, University of the Aegean, Greece

Regional Resilience in Europe: An Analysis of Stress Performance in European Regions

Paul Bishop and **Anastasios Kitsos**, Plymouth University, UK

Room B: Environment and Industrial Organisation

Chair: Roberto Iacono

Evolutionary Game Theoretical Analysis of Quality and Price Competition in an Oligopoly

Hamed M. Moghadam, TU Dortmund University, Germany

The Inclusion of Aircrafts' Emissions in the European Trading System from the Corporate Social Responsibility & Financial Perspectives

Ioannis Panagiotopoulos, University of the Aegean and Evdokia Arapitsa, School Life Museum of Thisvi, Greece

Does it Pay to Be Eco-Friendly? A Firm-Level Analysis of Determinants and Impact of Green-Investments in Europe

Giulia Lavinia Specchia, Université Catholique de Louvain

Intergenerational Transfers and Natural Resources: on the Economic Benefits of Going Renewable

Roberto Iacono, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Norway

Saturday, June 28th

Keynote speech: 9:00 – 10:00

Chair: Theodore Panagiotidis, University of Macedonia, Greece

Monetary Policy and Leverage Shocks

Apostolos Serletis, University of Calgary, Canada

Coffee break: 10:00 – 10:30

Parallel sessions: 10:30 – 12:30

Room A: Networks - Trade

Chair: Adele Whelan

Exporting and Productivity of Manufacturing Firms in SSA: Self-Selection versus Learning-by-Exporting

Neil Foster-McGregor, Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies, Anders Isaksson, United Nations Industrial Development Organization and **Florian Kaulich**, Vienna University of Economics and Business, Austria

Optimizing Bank Networks Supervision using the Threshold-Minimum Dominating Set

Periklis Gogas, Theophilos Papadimitriou and **Maria-Artemis Matthaïou**, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece

Towards a Taxonomy of Online Crowdsourcing Services

Evangelos Mourelatos, University of Patras, Greece

System Wars: The Power of Network Externalities

Adele Whelan, National University of Ireland, Ireland

Room B: Growth

Chair: Amer Tabaković

Determinants of the Relationship between Venture Capital and Economic Growth

Adrijana Bulevska, UN University, Serbia

Impact of Unemployment on Suicide: Evidence from the Regional Level Data in Finland

Sanna Huikari and Marko Korhonen, University of Oulu, Finland

The Impact of Health on Economic Growth: A Panel Data Investigation

Aliona Neofytidou and Stilianos Fountas, University of Macedonia, Greece

Endogenous Capital- and Labor-Augmenting Technical Change in the Neoclassical Growth Model

Andreas Irmen and **Amer Tabaković**, University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg

Lunch: 12:30 – 14:00

Parallel sessions: 14:00 – 16:00

Room A: Finance

Chair: Kirill Guzer

Non-Linear Dynamics in High Frequency Financial Time-Series: Evidence from the Athens Stock Exchange

Panagiotis Anagnostidis, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

A Multivariate Analysis of REITs

Kyriaki Begiazi and Dimitrios Asteriou, Hellenic Open University, Greece

Arbitration of the Discretion Monetary Policy and Inflation Targeting Policy

Mohsen Brahmi, and Sonia Zouari, University of Sfax, Tunisia

Portfolio Investment of the Private Investor in Modern Conditions

Kirill Guzer, Saint-Petersburg Government Economic University, Russia

Room B: Economic Development and Inequality

Chair: Subhasish Dey

The Inequality Effects on Family Composition

Maria Carmela Miccoli, University of Salerno and **Antonella Biscione**, University of Bari, Italy

Social - Cultural and Economic Impacts of the Event Tourism

Aneliya Daleva, South-West University Neofit Rilski, Bulgaria

Workfare as “Collateral”: The Case of the National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS) in India

Subhasish Dey, University of Manchester, UK

Coffee break: 16:00 – 16:30

Room A: Education and Unemployment

Chair: Sofoklis Goulas

Gender Differences among Adolescents with Gambling-Related Problems

Emil Frasheri, Korça University, Albania

The Market for PhD Graduates in Greece: Probit and Logit Analysis of their Employment Status

Joan Daouli and **Eirini-Konstantina Nikolatou**, University of Patras, Greece

Feedback Information and Exam Misplacement: Evidence from a Natural Experiment

Sofoklis Goulas, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA and Rigissa Megalokonomou, University of Warwick, UK

Room B: Macro Models

Chair: Alexander Scheer

Price and Wage Inflation Inertia under Time-Dependent Adjustments

Giovanni Di Bartolomeo and **Marco Di Pietro**, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy

Debt Consolidation Using the “Inflation” Effect

Alexander Scheer, University of Bonn, Germany