

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Research Network Macroeconomics and Macroeconomic Policies (FMM) organises its 20th annual conference on

TOWARDS PLURALISM IN MACROECONOMICS? 20 YEARS-ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE OF THE FMM RESEARCH NETWORK

20-22 October 2016, Berlin

with **introductory lectures** on heterodox economics for graduate students on **20 October 2016**

Twenty years ago, the Research Network Macroeconomics and Macroeconomic Policies (FMM) was founded as a platform for analysis, research and discussion of macroeconomic issues. At the time macroeconomic theory and policy were dominated by neoclassical approaches. In contrast, the network was established to promote alternative, heterodox concepts of macroeconomic theory and refocus economic policy on the goals of high employment, environmentally sustainable growth, price stability, reduced inequality and poverty. At our 20th conference, we will assess the current state of macroeconomics. What has changed in the two decades since the foundation of the network? Is there greater pluralism in theoretical approaches? What are the improvements in modelling the economy in orthodox and heterodox approaches? What is the explanatory power and empirical content of macroeconomics today?

The **submission of papers in the following areas** is encouraged:

- Pluralism and convergence in macroeconomics
- Developments in heterodox and orthodox approaches within the last 20 years
- Comparison or in-depth review of macroeconomic models
- Interdisciplinary approaches to macroeconomics
- Relationship between macroeconomics and macroeconomic policies
- Teaching pluralism in economics

We particularly welcome submissions of papers for **graduate student sessions**. Graduate students who already presented a paper in previous FMM conferences are encouraged to submit to the regular sessions to improve chances for newcomers. There will also be a day of **introductory lectures** for graduate students prior to the opening panel on 20 October. Hotel costs will be covered for graduate student presenters (max. four nights from 19 to 23 October).

Proposals have to be submitted electronically via [this web application](#). The deadline for paper proposals (abstract of max. 400 words) is **30 June 2016**. Proposals for organized sessions with abstracts of three or four papers are welcome and can also be submitted through the web application. **Decisions** will be made in early August and **will be based on clarity, relevance and originality of abstracts** outlining the research question, method and (preliminary) results. In case of acceptance, full papers, including an abstract of max. 200 words are due by **6 October** and will be posted on [the conference web page](#). Selected papers will be published after the conference in a special Papers & Proceedings issue of the European Journal of Economics and Economic Policies: Intervention (EJEEP). The conference language is English.

Registration details for the conference and the introductory lectures will be available via [the conference web page](#) by **mid-August**. Please note that acceptance to present a paper does not imply automatic registration.

Organising committee of the conference:

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