CALL FOR PAPERS
The Forum for Macroeconomics and Macroeconomic Policies (FMM) holds its 23rd annual conference
THE EURO AT 20 – MACROECONOMIC CHALLENGES

24-26 October 2019, Berlin
featuring introductory lectures on pluralist economics for graduate students on 24 October 2019.

2019 marks the 20th anniversary of the introduction of the Euro, replacing 11 national currencies. The two decades have been characterised by geographical extension to nowadays 19 countries, a modest increase in the Euro’s international role, but also by the build-up of unsustainable imbalances, and a long and deep economic and political crisis specific to many countries sharing the common currency. In response, substantial reforms have been undertaken without, though, resolving a number of key economic governance weaknesses. Since even before its birth the euro has been a subject of controversial debate amongst economists of all schools. That debate has only intensified since the crisis. Now emerging into “adulthood”, serious questions remain. Is the common currency sustainable in something like its present form? What economic policies are feasible within the current framework? What crucial reforms need to be pushed through? Can a path back to national currencies be trodden while avoiding a major crisis?

The submission of papers in the following areas is particularly encouraged:
- Institutional reform of economic governance
- Monetary theory and theories of currency areas
- Impact and design of monetary and fiscal policy
- Industrial and innovation policy
- Regulation of the financial sector and the bank-sovereign nexus
- The external role of the Euro
- The common currency and national welfare and production regimes
- Social and geographical cohesion
- Policy options for non-members

For the open part of the conference, submissions on the general subject of the Forum for Macroeconomics and Macroeconomic Policies are encouraged as well. We particularly welcome submissions of papers for graduate student sessions. Graduate students who already presented a paper in previous FMM conferences should 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 24 October. Hotel costs will be covered for graduate student presenters (max. four nights from 23 to 27 October). A limited number of travel stipends for graduate student presenters will be sponsored by INET’s Young Scholar Initiative (YSI) based on a motivation for funding statement. Details will be announced in decision letters by mid-August.

Proposals have to be submitted electronically via this web application. The deadline for paper proposals (abstract of max. 400 words) is 30 June 2019. 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 are due by 24 September and will be posted on the conference web page. Contributions to the panels and selected papers will be published after the conference in a Papers & Proceedings issue of the FMM’s peer reviewed 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 registration is a separate step from acceptance of papers.

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