



UNIVERSITY OF THESSALY
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

5th International Conference on Applied Economics “INSTITUTIONS & DEVELOPMENT”

Call for papers

The Postgraduate Program of the Department of Economics, University of Thessaly is organizing the *5th Conference on Applied Economics* from **17 to 19 May 2017**.

The Conference theme is “*INSTITUTIONS & DEVELOPMENT*”. The recent global crisis and the crisis in the Eurozone showed that economic growth is a combination of social factors that go beyond the strictly economic conditions and possibilities of each country. Recent studies and research have stressed the role of formal and informal institutions in order to achieve long-term economic efficiency. The pillars which are the main thematic focus of the conference and around which the Conference will revolve are:

- Institutions, institutional change and economic development
- Property rights and economic performance
- Economic contracts: theory and applications
- Transaction costs: organizations and economy
- Informal institutions, social values, norms and economic development
- Law institutions and the economy
- The Commons: theory and applications
- Political institutions and the state
- European institutions: problems and prospects
- Institutions, economic efficiency and social justice
- The philosophy and methodology of Institutional Economics

The **keynote speaker** will be Professor Dr. Geoffrey Hodgson, of the University of Hertfordshire, who will also receive a *honoris causa* degree for its outstanding contribution to the conceptualization and analysis of institutions.

Selected papers will be published in a collective volume in an international publishing house or peer review journals. The presentations of the papers can be made either in Greek or in English. However, the authors of the articles selected for the collective volume should send a final version of their paper in English. Authors of papers in Greek whose papers are selected for inclusion in the volume should be prepared to translate them into English.

Important dates:

- Those interested in presenting a paper, please send the title and an abstract in English of around 250-350 words along with authors to the coordinator of the organizing committee, Professor Michel Zouboulakis at: mzoub@econ.uth.gr by **January 15th, 2017**.
- Authors will be notified by **February 15th, 2015**.
- Full papers should be submitted by **April 15, 2017**

Venue:

- The Conference will take place in Volos, Greece, 17-19 May 2017, at the Economic Department's new facilities: 78, 28th October Str. (ex-Matsaggos tobacco factory)
- Detailed travel and accommodation instructions will be available in due time on the conference's website <http://pms.econ.uth.gr/conferences/>

Fees: Conference participants 50 €. Post-graduate Students 20 €

The organizing committee will appreciate receiving early notice by colleagues who intend to participate and serve either as authors or session chairs. The conference is open to anyone who wishes to attend. Hence, you are all welcome to announce it to colleagues and graduate students who might be interested to participate.

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