Call for Registration: IEA World Congress, Dead Sea, Jordan, June 6 to June 10 2014

Take advantage of the discounted “Early-Bird” registration fee by registering before January 31.

King Hussein Bin Talal Convention Center, Dead Sea, Jordan

Organized in collaboration with The Columbia Global Centers | Middle East in Amman, and in partnership with the Institute for New Economic Thinking (the Institute), The Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI), International Development Research Centre (IDRC), the Fung Global Institute, UNDESA and the African Innovation Foundation

The International Economic Association (IEA) is the association of the economic associations from around the world, and is the unique international organization that brings together economists from developed and developing countries across a broad range of fields.

The Event - Scientific Program
The World Congress is held once every three years. More than 500 economists are expected to attend. And over 400 papers will be presented in parallel academic sessions. In addition, there will be a number of policy sessions and keynote lectures. Confirmed speakers include Philippe Aghion, Kaushik Basu, François Bourguignon, Paul Collier, Martine Durand, Jim Heckman, Karla Hoff, Ravi Kanbur, Huruhiko Kuroda, Eliana La Ferrara, Justin Yifu Lin, Célestin Monga, Mthuli Ncube, José Antonio Ocampo, Rohini Somanathan, Nick Stern, Joseph Stiglitz (who will also deliver the IEA Presidential Address) and Adair Turner. A number of sessions have been arranged in collaboration with organizations such as INET, CIGI, IDRC, the Fung Global Institute, the World Bank, UNDESA, the African Innovation Foundation, African Bank for Development, ASERC, EPS, ECINEQ, Herbert Simon Society, IPD, ICG, OECD and WIDER. Moreover, a number of IEA member associations are also organizing sessions.

Full details of the program are available on the relative pages at the IEA website.

The Program Committee
The scientific program of the 17th World Congress is chaired by Professor Timothy Besley (London School of Economics), who is being assisted by an international program committee composed of:

Shigeyuki Abe
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Venue
The Seventeenth World Congress will be held at the King Hussein Bin Talal Convention Center (KHBTC), on the Dead Sea, Jordan. The Center nestles on the eastern shores of the Dead Sea at the heart of the Jordan Rift Valley. The Dead Sea is the lowest body of water on earth, the lowest point on earth, and the world’s richest source of natural salts. One of the most spectacular natural and spiritual landscapes in the world; the Jordanian east coast of the Dead Sea has evolved into a major hub of both religious, health and wellness tourism in the region. The Dead Sea is 45 minutes away from Amman, the capital city of Jordan.
and is close to historical tourist attractions such as Petra (one of the Seven Wonders of the World), the Roman ruins in the city of Jerash, and the Baptism Site, to name a few. It is a good idea to stay for an extra few days after the Congress to unwind in this most beautiful place.

Registration

Fees

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* A 'student' is defined as somebody registered in an academic program at the time of registration.
** Please note that presenters of papers accepted for the IEA World Congress must register on or before March 15 2014 for their papers to be included in the final program. Please be reminded that presenters are only allowed to present 1 paper at the IEA World Congress, Jordan 2014.
*** Accompanying persons will not have access to any of the scientific sessions nor will they be given a congress name badge with institution details.

All details on registration can be found on the IEA website at http://www.iea-world.org/JordanCongress_Registration.php

General Information on IEA World Congress

Full details on the scientific program and logistics, including accommodation (some of which have been designated “family friendly”) and how to book rooms, are available at the congress website http://www.iea-world.org/JordanCongress_Welcome.php. Please take time to look at the website and contact congress2014@iea-world.org for ANY information.

Moreover, we would like to bring to your attention the following:

IEA Young African Scholars Program

This special session aims to provide a forum for discussing innovative theoretical and empirical research on the key challenges facing Africa, and to facilitate the exchange of views among researchers and policymakers as the continent search its path towards economic emergence.

The IEA would especially like to attract young economists from Africa to participate, and towards that end has secured funding from the African Innovation Foundation, to assist in transportation costs, meals, and accommodations. We will pay up to $1000 for transportation to Amman, Jordan, and provide for meals and hotel accommodation, and waive registration fees for approximately 25 economists. They will have an opportunity to present their research, and attend a special set of sessions with leading development scholars on issues pertaining to African development.

We are interested in research related to one of the following broad topics: (a) Structural Transformation, industrial policies, and strategies for African Development in the Context of a Changing Global Landscape; (b) Inequality in Africa: its various dimensions, causes, consequences, and remedies; and (c) Financial policies for Africa in the aftermath of the Great Recession, focusing on the lessons learned from the crisis and outstanding issues that remain to be addressed. The papers should shed light on how such economic challenges operate in practice, and how they interact with each other, especially in terms of their effect on growth, macroeconomic stability and resilience to shocks, and employment creation.
Application Process
Interested scholars should submit either a draft paper or a detailed abstract (up to 1,500 words), by February 15, 2014, to:

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Chair of the Young African Scholars Program  
World Bank Research Department  
c/o Ms. Premi Rathan Raj, prathanraj@worldbank.org

with copy to:  
IEA World Congress team  
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The proposal should include the title of the paper, the author(s)’ affiliation and contact information, the main questions to be examined, the most relevant literature, the intended contribution of the paper to the literature, and the possible data sets and methodology to be employed. Authors should also provide a copy of their curriculum vitae, a short statement of interest (up to 1 page), and at least one letter of recommendation. The selection committee would also welcome a copy of a recent working or published paper by the applicant, though this is not mandatory.

The Program Committee will evaluate all proposals in terms of originality, analytical rigor, and policy relevance and will contact the authors whose papers have been selected by March 1, 2014 (Registration deadline for presenters of papers at the 17th IEA World Congress and to have papers included in final program is March 15, 2014). Final drafts are due by May 31, 2014. Further information on the conference program will be posted on the IEA website http://www.iea-world.org/

We do hope to see you at the IEA World Congress!

Please pass on this call to your colleagues!

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