

Labor Market Outcomes: A Transatlantic Perspective

January 11-12, 2008, Paris, France

The conference is organized by the EDHEC business school and the University of Le Mans, France. The aim of the conference is to show the role played by institutions and the consequences of macroeconomic shocks in explaining labor market differences between European countries and the US. It is particularly concerned with modeling and assessing the main mechanisms at work behind these heterogeneous labor market outcomes. Key note speakers include O. Blanchard, MIT, E. Prescott, Nobel Laureate 2004, Arizona State University, and J.O. Hairault, University of Paris I.

More information: http://professoral.edhec.com/87294683/0fiche__pagelibre/#contact

Third Annual Workshop on Global Interdependence

March 28, 2007, Barcelona, Spain

CEPR and the Centre de Recerca en Economia Internacional are jointly organizing a one and a half day workshop focusing on global integration and economic interdependence. Papers and presentations will focus on the following topics from the perspective of global integration:

- Global imbalances and sustainability of current account deficits
- Macroeconomics of exchange rates
- Capital flows, international trade and outsourcing
- International transmission of shocks
- Financial linkages within and across regions
- Capital markets in emerging markets
- Multilateral institutions for an interdependent world.

More information:

<http://www.cepr.org/Meets/Diary/listyear.asp?year=2008>

Economic Modernization and Globalization

April 1-3, 2008, Moscow, Russia

The IX International Academic Conference is organized by the State University—Higher School of Economics, with participation of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund. Speakers at the plenary session include high-level Russian officials, senior representatives of the World Bank, the IMF, the OECD, and the largest Russian and international companies. Sessions and roundtables of the conference will be devoted to the following priority issues:

- Macroeconomics and economic growth
- Competition and competitiveness
- Education, science and innovations in Russia
- Globalization and regional development
- Modernization of institutional systems
- National legal systems and globalization
- Transformation of public and municipal administration
- Social policy, inequality, and poverty
- Labor markets and demography
- Social capital and value systems
- Civil society institutions
- Political processes in a globalizing economy.

More information and registration:

http://d1.hse.ru/org/hse/apr_conf_eng/index.html

Education for Development and Competitiveness

April 14-25, 2008, Washington, DC, USA

The course organized by the World Bank is primarily targeted at senior government officials from developing countries. It will address challenges facing secondary, vocational, tertiary education within the lifelong learning framework. It will have a strong focus on policy strategies, concrete case studies, and analytical tools by which governments could reform their post-basic education system in such a way that would create a flexible, demand-driven learning system responding to labor market needs with a wider range of partnerships with the private sector and civil society. The course will provide in-depth analysis on cases from several developing and developed countries.

More information and registration:

<http://go.worldbank.org/SZST17YQV0>

Third IZA/World Bank Conference on Employment and Development

May 5-6, 2008, Rabat, Morocco

The Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA) and the World Bank will organize a two-day conference which will be hosted by the Government of Morocco. Papers dealing with developed countries and transition economies are welcome. The focus of the submitted papers should be on one of the seven topics as described below:

- Diagnosis of labor market conditions and vulnerability in middle and low income countries
- Links between the business environment, labor demand and poverty reduction
- Benefits/costs of structural reforms and globalization for workers
- Causes and consequences of formality and informality
- Effects of labor market policy and institutions.
- Best practices in skills development and skills upgrading
- International migration and labor markets in origin and host countries.

More information: www.iza.org

Second Emerging Markets Group Conference on Emerging Markets Finance

May 15-16, 2008, London, UK

The conference is organized by the Emerging Markets Group at Cass Business School. The Journal of International Money and Finance will publish a Special Issue on Emerging Markets Finance that will include selected papers from the conference. List of topics includes:

- Financial regulation
- International investments
- Financial crises and contagion
- Banking
- Corporate governance and corporate finance
- Asset pricing
- Foreign exchange markets
- Financial markets and market microstructure
- International monetary arrangements and institutions
- Finance and economic growth.

More information:

<http://www.cass.city.ac.uk/emg2008/index.html>

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