
Second Mediterranean International Conference

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Europe and the Mediterranean in the crisis: Assessments and Prospects

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Call for proposals

The Association "CEMAFI International" and the Central University of Tunis (Central School of Law and Management) organize the Second Mediterranean International Meeting:
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This International Conference aims on the one hand to contribute to the theoretical and methodological training in economic and social sciences for young academic researchers, but also to consolidate the constitution of a space of scientific meetings, bringing together and exchanging between researchers of the two Mediterranean shores, as well as via the Association CEMAFI International, with others researchers from Central and Eastern European countries.

The topics of the Conference will relate to the stakes, the economic and social outlooks for the Euro-Mediterranean countries in the current context of the Worldwide economic crisis and the movements of popular and social revolts observed around the Mediterranean.

Topics

The commercial and financial aspects in Euro-Mediterranean relationships

- **The statements**
 - ✓ Development of intra -or trans -Mediterranean of trade relations
 - ✓ Development of financial transfers (slowdowns or stoppages [sudden stops]), FDI, remittances, international financial aid, balance of payments crisis)
 - ✓ Diagnostics and analysis.
- **What kind of solutions?**
 - ✓ The questioning of the WTO accession process
 - ✓ Protectionism revisited
 - ✓ the issue of "Capital Account Liberalization"
 - ✓ Release policy or exchange rate targeting.

The implications for financing public and private investment sector

- **The statements**
 - ✓ The role of (local) banks in the financing of the economy [mainly SMEs financing]
 - ✓ The role of non -bank financial institutions (savings banks, insurance companies, etc.)
 - ✓ Quid about "Islamic banks" or Islamic "financial institutions"?
- **What kind of solutions?**
 - ✓ The place and role of the EIB, EBRD, World Bank , ADB ... in the countries bordering the Mediterranean (South shore, East bank, Western Balkan countries, countries having recently joined the EU : Croatia, Slovenia ...)
 - ✓ The mobilization of domestic savings
 - ✓ The financing of public expenditure and the sustainability of public deficits
 - ✓ Is "quantitative easing" possible and/or desirable in countries bordering the Mediterranean region?

Deindustrialization

- **The statements**
 - ✓ Analysis of the phenomenon by country and sectors
 - ✓ Inadequate infrastructure
 - ✓ Penetration of China as the cause of de-industrialization?
 - ✓ Its consequences: skilled labor needs, emigration, ...
 - ✓ Regional imbalances and the growing gaps in development between urban and rural areas
- **What kind of solutions?**
 - ✓ How the government could implement or reduce the impact of industrialization policies?
 - ✓ What form(s) of protectionism (in agriculture, industry and/or services)?
 - ✓ How to reduce disparities cities/rural areas and develop "regional" employment?

The social aspects of the crisis

- **The statements**
 - ✓ Non inclusive growth process
 - ✓ Development of youth unemployment especially among young graduates
 - ✓ The inadequate training of the labor and employment needs
 - ✓ Growing inequality and poverty
 - ✓ New forms of migration
- **What kind of solutions?**
 - ✓ The role of public policy in building the knowledge economy: education and training, higher education, research and innovation, new technologies of information and communication
 - ✓ How to organize a redistribution of income in favor of the non-integrated national economic development process groups?

Submission of proposal

The proposals have to be submitted under electronic format via the Web site of the conference www.centraledg.com/colloque/. The authors are invited to submit their proposals in French and/or in English.

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January 05, 2014	Sending of a "summary" ("abstract") indicating the project's title and the chief ideas having to be developed in the communication.
January 12, 2014	Notification of the scientific Committee concerning the acceptance or the refusal of the proposal.
February 03, 2014	Sending of the final text of the selected communications.

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Valorization of the conference

After selection of the articles and procedure of review, the best articles presented at the Conference will be published in reviews or in the form of monographs (books)