



## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

Scientific Conference:

### **Economic Challenges for Higher Education in Central and Eastern Europe**

Cracow University of Economics

23-24 April 2015

CRACOW/Poland

#### **Background:**

Higher education systems of Central and East European countries have gone in last two decades through a period of massive expansion with the dynamic increase in the number of students, the emergence of HE private institutions and quantitative expansion of public academic centers. It is sometimes said that such developments have been a crucial factor of relative success of several transitional economies.

But now it becomes clear that these systems face hard challenges due to demographic change, limited public resources and increased international competition.

The conference will address these challenges setting them in a comparative perspective including the experiences of other countries and theoretical insights.

#### **Conference topics:**

This call wants to elicit papers on a variety of topics related to the economic factors influencing the future development of higher education systems and in particular regarding:

- 1) The role of HE in the regional development CEE countries – convenors: prof. Aleksander Surdej, Cracow University of Economics (CUE); prof. Marco Cucculelli, Universita Politecnica delle Marche, Ancona.
- 2) Financing higher education – convenor: Marcin Kędzierski, CUE
- 3) Quality assurance in the higher education markets and institutions – convenor: prof. Julius Horvath, Central European University, Budapest;
- 4) Migration and HE internationalization – convenors: Dr. Jan Brzozowski, CUE, Dr Konrad Pędziwiatr, CUE;

#### **How and when to submit proposals:**

Deadline for abstract submission is 15 January 2015.

Please send your abstract to Professor Aleksander Surdej: [Aleksander.Surdej@uek.krakow.pl](mailto:Aleksander.Surdej@uek.krakow.pl)

The decision about approval of the submission will be sent before 31 January 2015. Full length papers should be sent by 15 April 2015 to the convenors. The conference fee is: 50 euro.

#### **The conference outcome:**

The organizers assure several publication opportunities: 1) in September 2015 there will be released a printed volume with presented papers; 2) upon individual agreement papers will be published in the CUE English language academic journals such as *Argumenta Oeconomica Cracoviensia*.

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