

First Annual Meeting of Political Economy: The Economy as Substantive Reality

ISCTE-IUL, January 25-27, 2018

Call for Papers

Karl Polanyi argued that the economy is a substantive reality, an institutionalised process of human interaction that aims at the satisfaction of material needs, rather than a formal reality based on a logic relation between means and ends. To understand any given economy as a substantive reality requires locating it within its historical, geographical and institutional contexts, and taking into account the various social, political, legal, cultural, technological and ecological factors that shape it. These multiple dimensions of the economies were present in the work of the founders of Political Economy, but which have since found their way, to a greater or lesser extent, into autonomous scientific disciplines. However, all these perspectives are important in forming the theories, the methods, the conceptualisations and the practices associated with a comprehensive study of the economy, overcoming the formal, a-historical, a-geographical and a-political approaches of the mainstream, based on the application of the universal principle of individual optimisation and circumscribed to the problem of scarcity of means given alternative uses.

In order to promote inter- and transdisciplinary debate on the economy, the Portuguese Association of Political Economy thereby announces the call for papers for its First Annual Meeting, to be held in Lisbon, at ISCTE-IUL, with the theme “The Economy as Substantive Reality”. The Conference aims at gathering all those who, within the various disciplines, study the economy as a substantive reality, embedded in particular historical, geographical and institutional contexts.

Proposals for presentations are welcome, dealing if not exclusively, with the following issues and giving due account of historical-spatial dimensions in their analysis:

- Economic ideas and institutional change
- The state and other institutions

- The roles and limits of the markets
- Economic growth and institutional change
- Distribution, redistribution and inequality
- Regions and Territories
- Power and values

Proposals

Proposals can be submitted as individual papers or as symposia of three papers. The proposals should be presented in the same language as the intended oral presentation, which may be Portuguese or English.

A paper proposal should contain:

- i) Name, affiliation and e-mail address of proposer(s);
- ii) Title and four keywords;
- iii) Abstract (max 350 words).

A symposium proposal (of three papers) should contain:

- i) Name, affiliation and e-mail addresses of symposium chair and authors of each paper;
- ii) Symposium title and four keywords;
- iii) Abstracts of both the symposium and each of the papers (max 350 words).

Proposals should be sent to eaep2018@iscte.pt

Important Dates

September 30, 2017: Submission

November 30, 2017: Communication of acceptance

December 30, 2017: Registration and payment

For other relevant information see <https://apeconomiapolitica.wixsite.com/inicio/encontro>

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