



BANK OF ALBANIA

Call for Papers

Announcing the Seventh Conference of the

South-Eastern Monetary History Network (SEEMHN)

Hosted by the Bank of Albania

in Tirana, Albania

on December 13-14, 2012

Following the success of the previous six annual conferences of the South-Eastern European Monetary History Network held in Sofia (BNB) in 2006, Vienna (OeNB) in 2007, Athens (BoG) in 2008, Belgrade (NBS) in 2009, Istanbul (TCMB) in 2010 and Bucharest (NBR) in 2011, the Bank of Albania takes great pleasure in hosting the Seventh Annual Conference in 2012. This reflects the Bank of Albania's support to the SEEMHN Network, whose main objective is to spread knowledge about SEE monetary history and policy as an integral part of the European experience.

The Seventh SEEMHN Conference will take place on 13-14 December 2012, in Tirana. The topic of the conference will be *Tales of Two Crises: the Great Depression and the Great Recession in South East Europe (Parallels, Crisis's Management and Banking Sector Restructures).*

Specifically, the conference will bring together researchers from academia and policymaking institutions to answer the following questions:

- 1. How much protracted and intensive are the two crisis episodes, 'then' and 'now'? The conference will highlight the SEE past experience, current challenges and future prospects. The comparison will not be just for the world but for the SEE countries both among them and in comparison with the world economy.
- 2. What is the policy response, 'then' and 'now'?
- 3. How effective is the fiscal and monetary stimulus in depressions?
- 4. How the banking sector has been restructured in view of the crisis?
- 5. What do the data tell us?

Nicos Christodoulakis (Athens University of Economics and Business and LSE), Pierre Siklos (Wilfrid Laurier University and Viessmann Research Centre) and Max Schulze (LSE) have confirmed their participation as key-note speakers.

The Organizing Committee would like to invite all researchers from academic and policymaking institutions to submit paper proposals or to contribute to conference discussions. Interested researchers should submit their papers or extended proposals to Ms. Borana Haxhimusaj (bhaxhimusaj@bankofalbania.org) no later than 15 November 2012. Authors of the accepted papers will be notified no later than 30 November 2012. The conference version of the paper and the presentation version are expected by 10 December 2012. The papers should meet the usual scientific standards and address the main theme of the conference in a broad interpretation. Selected papers will be published in the Conference Proceedings Volume. Participation in the conference is not conditional upon presenting a paper. All participants are expected to cover their own expenses.

Kind regards, Dr. Altin Tanku Head of Research Department Bank of Albania on behalf of the Organizing Committee

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