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Invitation and Call for Papers

Announcing the 3rd

South-Eastern European Economic Research Workshop

hosted by the **Bank of Greece**, in Athens, Greece
on 19-21 November, 2009

Following the success of the 1st and 2nd Annual South-Eastern European Economic Research Workshops held in Tirana, Albania in 2007 and 2008, it is the great pleasure of the **Bank of Greece** and the **Bank of Albania** to co-organize the 3rd Annual Workshop in November 2009. This underlines the support of both the Bank of Greece and the Bank of Albania for this workshop, whose main objectives are to further economic research in South-Eastern Europe (SEE) and extend our knowledge of special features of the economies in the region.

This year's workshop will place special emphasis on three important topics to central banking in transition and small/open economies in SEE:

1. **Economic and Financial Stability**
2. **Banking and Finance**
3. **External and Internal Imbalances**

Papers related to other topics are welcome too, but their inclusion and presentation in the Workshop will be subordinated to the papers related to the abovementioned three topics.

The 3rd South-Eastern European Economic Research Workshop will take place on **November 19-21, 2009, in Athens**, at the premises of the Bank of Greece. The organizing central banks would like to invite researchers from central banks to participate and submit proposals by **September 25, 2009**. Final papers should be sent to Dr. Altin Tanku (atanku@bankofalbania.org) and Dr. Sophia Lazaretou (slazaretou@bankofgreece.gr) no later than **October 16, 2009**. The Power Point Presentation of the papers is expected by November 12, 2009 (email to slazaretou@bankofgreece.gr). Please, note that it is possible to participate in the workshop without presenting a paper.

Final versions of the presented papers will appear in the Working Paper Series of the Bank of Greece and Bank of Albania and also in a special Workshop CD joint to both organizing central banks. Please, note that publication will occur only after authors' permission.

The Workshop is expected to be structured in a number of sessions, depending on the papers submitted by participants. Papers exploring similar topics will be grouped together and presented during separate sessions. For each paper, time will be allocated to and split between the

presentation of the paper by the author/s (in PowerPoint format), the presentation of the respective discussion by another pre-selected researcher, and a panel discussion. Participants will be given a final schedule of the Workshop after the collection of papers.

All expenses related to travel and accommodation are expected to be borne by the participating central banks. An interesting social programme will be also organised on the occasion of this event.

With kind regards,

The Organizing Central Banks