

CALL FOR CONFERENCE PAPERS

TAX REFORMS: EXPERIENCES AND PERSPECTIVES

20 JUNE 2014, ZAGREB, CROATIA

SUBJECT

2014 will mark the 20th anniversary of the start of the Croatian tax reform. Therefore, [Institute of Public Finance, Zagreb](#); [Faculty of Economics, University of Zagreb](#) and [Faculty of Economics, University of Rijeka](#) are planning to organise a conference. The aim is to compare experiences and draw lessons from tax reforms in different countries, particularly former transition economies that are now members of the EU, and euro area crisis countries such as Greece, Ireland, Italy, Portugal and Spain.

We are seeking papers that would address a number of issues:

- What were the goals and accomplishments of tax reforms regarding efficiency, neutrality, fairness and redistribution?
- How effective have the reforms been in terms of revenue collection, the role of tax administration, administrative and compliance costs, environmental impact, and in fostering entrepreneurial activity?
- What have we learned from these experiences?
- How should the tax systems of these countries evolve, keeping in mind constraints of membership in the European Union, the planned adoption of the euro by countries such as Croatia, increasing globalisation of economic activity, demographic changes, the need to enhance productivity and promote innovation and investment?
- How are the tax systems of these countries likely to evolve, given the reforms that are underway?

SUBMISSION

Submissions of abstracts (300 to 500 words) or full papers consistent with topics of the conference can be made at any time until the deadline **20th December 2013**, to taxreforms2014@ijf.hr. Submissions must be made in English and should include keywords as well as authors' full name(s) and affiliation(s) and contact details of the author in charge of correspondence, such as address, email address and phone number.

Acceptance for presentation will be communicated no later than **20th January 2014**.

Completed papers are due by **20th May 2014**.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Algirdas Šemeta, Member of the European Commission responsible for Taxation and Customs Union, Audit and Anti-Fraud

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Michael Keen, IMF, Washington

Slavko Linić, Minister of Finance of the Republic of Croatia

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PUBLICATION

In the months following the Conference, the following options are offered:

- A special conference issue of [Financial Theory and Practice](#) (FTP), a double blind peer-reviewed academic journal, publishing articles in the field of public sector economics (Abstract Indexing: DOAJ, EconLit, HRČAK, IBSS, RePEc).
- Conference proceedings in the form of an edited book in electronic format.
- Depending on the number and quality of papers submitted, the organizers might also consider contacting some established academic publishers with a view to publishing an edited conference volume.

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