



Call for Papers

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International Network for Economic Research (INFER)
and
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and
Politehnica University of Timișoara (UPT)

Conference objective and research topics

The INFER Annual Conference is the main annual event of the International Network for Economic Research. The INFER Annual Conference provides a great opportunity for members and non-members of INFER alike to exchange ideas and to discuss results from recent economic research.

The INFER Annual Conference is open to contributions from all areas of economic. We will welcome papers related to the following **non-exhaustive list of topics**:

- Agricultural and Agri-tech economics
- Banking and Finance
- Bounded Rationality in Economics and Finance
- Circular Economy
- Commodities and Financial Markets
- Development Economics
- Economic Asymmetries

- Economic History and History of Economic Thought
- Emerging Market Economies and Globalization
- Empirical Economics
- Energy Economics and Policy
- Entrepreneurship
- Environmental Economics
- Experimental Economics
- Financial and Debt Crisis
- Financial Economics and Asset Pricing
- Fiscal Policy and Public Finance
- Growth and Business Cycles
- Health and Public Policy
- Housing Economics
- Industrial Economics and Innovation
- Industrial Organisation
- International Economics and Trade
- Labour Economics
- Macroeconomics and Monetary Policy
- Public Economics, Regulation and Competition Analysis
- Public policy and Economic inequality
- Resources Policy
- Transition and Integration Economics
- Urban and Regional Economics

Keynote Speakers

We are happy to welcome as distinguished keynote speakers:

- **Prof. Nicholas Apergis** (University of Piraeus, Greece)
- **Prof. Lawrence J. Christiano** (Northwestern University, United States)
- **Prof. Yoto V. Yotov** (Drexel University, United States)

Organization

The conference is jointly organized by *INFER* (International Network for Economic Research), *RCEM* (Research Centre for Engineering and Management) from the *Politehnica University of Timișoara*

- **INFER (International Network for Economic Research)** is a non-profit international scientific organization that stimulates research and research networking in all fields of economics

through international workshops and conferences. Website: <http://www.infer-research.eu/>

- **RCEM (Research Centre for Engineering and Management)** is the research center of the Management Department from the Politehnica University of Timișoara. Founded in 2001, RCEM aims to develop a consistent fundamental and experimental research. RCEM's activities are developed around two main axes, namely Engineering and Management and Economics and Public Administration. Website: <http://www.mpt.upt.ro/>
- **UPT (Politehnica University of Timisoara)** is a leading research institution in Romania, founded in 1920. UPT includes 10 faculties, 25 departments and 26 research centers. Website: https://www.upt.ro/Universitatea-Politehnica-Timisoara_en.html

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Submission of Papers

Only full papers may be submitted for the INFER Annual Conference (this applies to both general sessions and special sessions). Papers must be in English and must include a cover page with the following information:

- An abstract of up to 500 words, with JEL classification and no more than 5 keywords
- Authors' full name and affiliation
- Contact details for the corresponding author, such as address, phone and e-mail

Papers should be submitted electronically as pdf-files to the Annual Conference organizers via Conference Maker at the following website (submission opened on October 1st, 2021):
<https://editorialexpress.com/conference/INFER2022>

Authors are allowed to submit more than one paper. All submitted papers will be peer reviewed according to a high-quality and fast referee process. Paper presenters are expected to discuss one other paper during the conference. The discussant assignments will be made by the conference organizers at a later stage. As the conference intends to strengthen the INFER network, participation is welcome even without paper contribution.

Important dates

~~March 31th, 2022 - Deadline for submission of full papers~~

April 17th, 2022 - Deadline for submission of full papers

April 30th, 2022 - Deadline for notification of paper acceptance

May 15th, 2022 - Deadline for fee payment and registration

Publication opportunities

The conference offers publication opportunities to the authors of research papers. In particular, the authors of high-quality research papers will be invited to submit them to the following special issues:

- **Journal of International Development** (Guest editors: Prof. Inmaculada Martinez-Zarzoso, Prof. Claudiu Albuлесcu, Dr. Dimitrios Paparas)
- **Journal of International Trade & Economic Development** (Guest editors: Prof. Inmaculada Martinez-Zarzoso, Dr. Christian Oberst)

The procedure for submitting the papers to these journals will be specified in due course.

The last INFER publications include special issues in the World Economics, Journal of International Money and Finance, International Economics, Economic Modelling, Comparative Economic Studies, Eastern European Economics, Post-Communist Economies, Research in International Business and Finance, International Economics and Economic Policy, Macroeconomic Dynamics. You will be informed more specifically about all publication possibilities during the next months.

Round table on “Inflation and Global Value Chains”

During the last decades international trade has been transformed and reshaped by the rise of global value chains (GVC). Starting with the 1980s, both price stabilization and inflation rates synchronization enhanced participation of firms in GVC. However, the outburst of COVID-19 increased inflation uncertainty and negatively affected price co-movements, with implications for the smooth functioning of GVC. The purpose of this round table is to debate on how recent inflation dynamics has influenced GVC and on the potential strategic responses of multinational companies to these new developments.

- June 10th, 2022
- Moderator: Prof. Inmaculada Martinez-Zarzoso
- Participants: Prof. Lucian Albu, Prof. Stylianos Fountas

Special Sessions

The conference will host a number of special sessions focusing on specific topics. These sessions may be organized by INFER scholars as well as by other conference attendees who send their proposals to the Organizing Committee. Special sessions will have discussants distributed among presenters of the same session. The deadline for the Special Sessions submission: April 15th, 2022.

Registration

Registration fee (for on-site presenters):

- 250 EUR for INFER members
- 300 EUR for non-INFER members

Registration fee (for online presenters):

- 0 EUR for INFER members
- 50 EUR for non-INFER members

The deadline for registration is:

May 15th, 2022

Registration fees are non-refundable.

The registration fee for the on-site participants includes all lunches, drinks and the social event for wine tasting and lunch at Reçaş Winery. It doesn't include travel and accommodation expenses. All workshop participants have to register for the workshop. Please note that the paper submission is not considered as registration. A registration form will be sent to the authors of accepted papers.

Registration preferably **through the INFER website + PayPal**

Please register on the INFER website (www.infer-research.net). Payment can be done via PayPal on the website. Please note that you can use the same website to become an INFER member. For most countries you don't need a Paypal account.

Alternatively, payment can be done by e-mail and bank transfer. Start in the transfer reference with your last name and 24th INFER Annual Conference 2022. Infer bank account is with HypoVereinsbank, Germany, Bank: HypoVereinsbank IBAN: DE33545201943020219997, Swift (BIC): HYVEDEMM483. Please announce the transfer to treasurer (treasurer@infer.info) by mail about the payment.

Location

The workshop will take place at the following address:

Politehnica University of Timișoara
Central Library – UPT Conference Centre
Bulevardul Pârvan, no. 2B
Timișoara, 300 223
România

Arrival in Timișoara

The workshop will take place in the lovely Romanian university town of Timișoara, whose character and history will enhance interaction among participants, as well as provide an enjoyable setting. Timișoara will be the 2023 European Capital of Culture. Many airlines offer direct flight connections to Timișoara Airport (Traian Vuia) - TSR Airport. For more information see <http://aerotim.ro/index.php?lang=en>. From the airport to the city the participant can take a taxi for 10 EUR.

Accommodation

Participants are responsible for their travel and accommodation arrangements. The registration fee does not cover accommodation.

1. Suggested by organizers:

[Casa Politehnicii 2](#) (University guesthouse – equivalent to 3 stars hotel)

Address: Blv. Mihai Eminescu 2

Special fees were negotiated with “Casa Politehnicii 2”, Timisoara:

- Single room 38 EUR / night – breakfast included
- Double room 45 EUR / night – breakfast included

Please contact the local organizer, Prof. Claudiu ALBULESCU for reservations (claudiu.albulescu@upt.ro).

2. You can make your own reservations to several hotels not very far from the conference venue:

- [Hotel Timișoara](#)****
- [Hotel Continental](#)****
- [NH Hotel](#)****
- [Hotel Savoy](#)****

Social Event

On the second workshop day, participants will be invited to wine tasting and lunch in Recas Winery, with a short visit of the vineyards and old cellars (25 km from Timisoara).

Website: <http://cramelerecas.ro/en/?r=na>

Further Information

The conference website (<https://sites.google.com/view/infer2022/home>) will provide updated information concerning registration details, downloadable registration forms, travel and accommodation facilities, etc. Questions may be directed to the workshop organizers.

Questions about local organization issues may be directed to the local conference organizer:

Claudiu ALBULESCU - e-mail: claudiu.albulescu@upt.ro

Questions about INFER procedures may be directed to the INFER Board through:

Josep-Maria ARAUZO-CAROD - e-mail: josepmaria.arauzo@urv.cat

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