



SUMMER SCHOOL ACADEMIA ENGELBERG

FUTURE ECONOMIC SYSTEMS

SUNDAY, JULY 12TH, TO SATURDAY, JULY 18TH, 2015, RUSWIL – SWITZERLAND

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Academia Engelberg Annual Conference 2015

On the eve of the 21st century, communism is greatly discredited, and capitalism is stalling. The financial and economic crises in the recent past force us to rethink our economic system and the market economy. New technologies, globalization, social media and ecological awareness are the lifelines for some, the challenges for others. The economic and social reality is interpreted in many different ways. This year's conference will analyze the state of the current situation and use this as a starting point to examine the requirements for new, sustainable economic systems and to discuss their implementation:

- What solutions, if any, does criticism of capitalism offer?
- What could an eco-social market economy look like?
- Is there a single global economic system that is suitable for social consensus?
- How could the financial architecture be improved?
- What are the young generation's requirements for future economic systems?
- How can people's basic needs be met from a global perspective?

The conference provides a pluralistic platform to discuss new ideas through meaningful dialogue between speakers and participants.

Group of Young Scientists

The Summer School that precedes the annual conference of Academia Engelberg joins students from different countries to discuss this year's conference topic "Future Economic Systems". During the Summer School, participants will be prepared to actively and creatively participate in the annual conference by providing economic arguments.

The Summer School will start by introducing students to economic reasoning and it will train them to think in terms of economic incentives and equilibria. The training provided will allow participants to critically evaluate contributions regarding economic systems and to actively contribute to developing new ideas for a better functioning of present systems. The young scientists will shape one morning of the annual conference, namely Thursday morning, 15 October 2015. It is expected that they add the perspective of the generation Y to the conference and that they elaborate on the topic of "Future Economic Systems" adding the different viewpoints of their countries.

Academia Engelberg

The Academia Engelberg Foundation recognizes the growing need of science and society for a better understanding with regard to new and highly complex issues, how they relate to society (including politics, culture, ethics, religion, education) and industry, and how they impact on the increasing global inequity. The Foundation was created on 2001 and organizes annual conferences in the Abbey of Engelberg, each of which addresses a specific scientific issue. Intergeneration Platform: A high proportion of young participants attend our conferences. We involve young scientists in thinking processes by giving them the opportunity to present projects and offer a platform for encounters between the younger and the older generations.

Partners and Contributors





CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION AT THE ACADEMIA ENGELBERG SUMMER SCHOOL 2015

Eligibility

Highly motivated and committed students, who are currently enrolled or recently graduated from university, are encouraged to apply. A Bachelor degree is needed to apply. Applicants should have a strong interest in economic systems, have an idea of the challenges that are currently being discussed, be interested in transdisciplinary collaborative research, and they should be able to demonstrate their motivation, interest and expertise.

Duration

This one-week course will take place in Ruswil, Switzerland, from 12 – 18 July 2015. The detailed program will be made available to successful applicants at a later date.

Recognition

The ETH Zurich recognizes successful completion of the course with 3 (three) ECTS credit points for Phd-students. Acceptance of these ECTS points in non-ETH study programs are subject to the regulations of the participant's home institution.

Fee

The course fee of 500 Swiss Francs (CHF) per student covers costs for board, lodging, local travel and activities during the program, all of which are arranged by the course organizers. Including also local travel, accommodation, meals, transfer and Candlelight-Dinner on the Titlis-Mountain during the Conference in Engelberg.

Application

Application can be submitted online including curriculum vitae and letter of motivation as portable document format (pdf) (maximum size per file: 1 MB) at: admin@academia-engelberg.ch

Deadline

May 29th, 2015

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