MAER-Net Colloquium
University of Athens, Greece
September 11-13, 2014

Thursday, September 11, 2014  {Participants arrive}

18:00-20:00  Opening Reception-Athens University Museum
Friday, September 12, 2014

08:00-08:15  Coffee & Registration  (Athens University Museum)
08:15-08:30  Welcome

08:30 – 9:10  Martin Paldam [Keynote] Simulating economics: Why is publication bias so common?

9:10-10:30  Plenary Session I: Meta-Analysis Methods (Chair: Georgios Chortareas)
Robert Reed
Simulating meta-analysis estimators in the presence of publication bias
Tom Stanley
A quarter century on: Where are we, and where are we going?

10:30-10:45  Break

10:45-12:45  Plenary Session II: Environmental Economics (Chair: Chris Doucouliagos)
Randall Rosenberger
Modeling dependencies of wetland valuation estimates across space
Allan Beltrán
Estimating the benefits from flood risk reduction
Robert Johnston
Enhanced geospatial data for meta-analysis and benefit transfer

12:45-14:10  Lunch

14:10-15:30  Plenary Session III: Transition Economics (Chair: Martin Paldam)
Ichiro Iwasaki
Radicalism versus gradualism: A systematic review
Jan Babecky
Structural reforms and growth in transition

15:30- 15:45  Break

15:45-17:45  Parallel Session IA: Mostly Macroeconomics (Chair: Tom Stanley)  (Basement )
Pedro Bom
Sample overlapping in meta-analysis
Arbresh Mamudi
Fiscal multipliers
Diana Žigraiová
The relationship between bank competition and financial stability
Salim Dehmej
Augmented Taylor rule versus macroprudential rule. What DSGE tell us?
Emeka Okoye
Income inequality and economic growth: Kuznets hypothesis
Friday, September 12, 2014

15:45-17:45 Parallel Session IB: *Mostly Productivity* (Chair: Randall Rosenberger) (1st Floor)

**Patrice Laroche**
How profit sharing affects productivity? An update

**Binyam Demena**
Foreign direct investment and productivity spillovers in developing countries

**Mehmet Ugur**
Innovation and employment at the firm and industry levels

**Petr Polak**
The productivity paradox

**Andreas Schneck**
Effectiveness conditions of incentives in self-administered surveys

18:15-20:00 Walking Tour of the Acropolis

20:30 Dinner

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Saturday, September 13th, 2014

08:00-08:15 Coffee & Registration (Athens University Museum)

08:15-08:30 MAER-Net Forum

08:30-10:30 Plenary Session IV: *Finance* (Chair: George Magkonis)

**Chris Doucouliagos**
Efficiency of Asian and Australasian stock markets.

**Randolph Bruno**
The impact of hostility, environmental munificence, dynamism and complexity on financial performance

**Niels Hermes**
The impact of foreign bank entry on domestic banks

10:30-10:45 Break

10:45-12:45 Plenary Session V: *Development Issues* (Chair: Jan Babecky)

**Maren Duvendack**
Policies associated with in-country income inequality

**Piers Steel**
Information, communication and technology and economic growth

**Nikos Benos**
Health and economic performance

12:45-14:00 Lunch
14:00 – 14:40  Dr. John Ioannidis (Keynote) — Credibility and empirical economics.

14:40-16:00  Plenary Session VI: School and Marriage (Chair: Margaret Giles)
Jhon James Mora Rodriguez  
On the size of the sheepskin effect  
Megan de Linde Leonard  
Male marriage wage premium

16:00-16:15  Break

16:15-18:30  Parallel Session IIA: Growth (Chair: Mehmet Ugur) (Basement)
Sridevi Yerrabati  
Economic governance and economic growth in Asia & Pacific regions  
Sefa Awaworyi  
The effect of military expenditure on growth  
Refk Selmi  
The nexus between electricity consumption and Economic growth  
Christian Bellak  
Four in one: The effect of Bilateral Investment Treaties on FDI  
Ensar Yesilyurt  
Economic growth and military expenditures with spatial modeling  
Sefa Awaworyi  
Impact of microfinance on poverty and microenterprises

16:15-18:30  Parallel Session IIB: Education and Environment (Chair: Robert Johnston) (1st Floor)
Margaret Giles  
The effectiveness of correctional education in reducing recidivism  
Ayaz Zeynalov  
Natural resource richness and economic growth  
Leili Abolhassani  
Price elasticity of residential water demand in Iran  
Chloé Tankam  
Consumer’s willingness to pay for organic food  
Nicolas Fleury  
Intergenerational transmission of education  
Jean-Chrétian Tisserand  
The ultimatum game

19:00-  A Walk around Athens

End of Colloquium