

## **Call For Papers: IIPPE Financialisation Working Group**

The Fourth Annual Conference in Political Economy.

Institute for Social Studies, Erasmus University, the Hague, the Netherlands,

9 to 11 July, 2013

Financialisation refers to the phenomenon of finance playing an ever more significant role in economic life. This phenomenon is related to the structural transformation of capitalist economies and the accompanying social effects. In the wake of the crisis, this has become an increasingly prominent area of research in the field of political economy. Yet, there is still no broad consensus on the exact meaning of the term. Unsurprisingly, important analytical gaps and flaws have emerged. Many are yet to be addressed, both theoretically and empirically.

The IIPPE Financialisation Working Group intends to convene a number of panels to explore the concept of financialisation in relation to the varied experiences of, and responses to the current crises.

The International Initiative for the Promotion of Political Economy (IIPPE) organises its Fourth Annual Conference. The conference will be held at the Institute for Social Studies, Erasmus University, the Hague, the Netherlands, from 9 to 11 July, 2013 and the theme of the conference is "Political Economy, Activism and Alternative Economic Strategies". Financialisation is an integral part of the theme as finance has increased its influence over greater areas of economic and social reproduction.

In our capacity as convenors of the IIPPE Working Group on Financialisation, we would like to encourage you to consider submitting either a paper or a complete panel proposal to the Working Group for consideration for inclusion in the Fourth IIPPE Conference. In accordance with the general call for papers, contributions could include, but are not limited to:

- Financialisation of Middle Income Countries; the integration of Middle Income Countries into global finance; international capital flows; domestic manifestations and consequences of financialisation
- Financialisation of commodities; the increasing growth of commodity index investment and changes in the social relations along commodity chains.
- Financialisation of household and income distribution; unequal market and social power relations between classes with the increasing dependence on financial forms of meeting the needs of social reproduction.
- Limitations of mainstream economic theory and; the role and use of alternative critical studies of financialisation theory; critical studies of the concept of financialisation itself
- The persistent European Crisis and the future of the Euro; economic analysis of and policy alternatives for transforming financial regulations and international banking reforms

In addition to submission of individual papers, we would particularly encourage the submission of panel proposals of 2-4 presentations each. Panels which collectively present the work of institutions or other academic groups provide an excellent opportunity to showcase work in a greater depth than is possible in single presentations. It is further hoped that the conference will provide an opportunity to deepen links between groups working on finance from a critical perspective.

Abstracts of individual papers (max. 500 words) or panel proposals (max. 500 words plus abstracts of the individual papers) should be submitted to [serdar\\_sengul@soas.ac.uk](mailto:serdar_sengul@soas.ac.uk) by 10<sup>th</sup> February 2013.