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**“SOCIO–ECONOMIC PERSPECTIVES IN THE AGE OF XXI CENTURY
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Brief Summary: *The conference aims at bringing together in one venue academics, researchers and all the interested parties in the field, with the purpose of elaborating at a theoretical, empirical and policy-making perspective the dynamics in the Albanian economy under a framework of integration and globalization. Within the context of global competition, innovative models, strategies, policies, processes, and practices it has become even more important in creating value for sustainable growth and development at various levels within firms, industries, countries, and economies, and also across borders in company networks, industrial clusters, and economic and regional blocs.*

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16:30-17:00	Registration
17:00- 19:00	Welcome and opening speeches Welcome address by Tonin KOLA, Professor, Head of Economics Department Welcome address by Dhori KULE, Professor, Dean of FEUT Greetings speech by representative of Ministry of Finance and Economy Greetings speech by representative of Bank of Albania Greetings speech by Dietmar MEYER, Professor, Andrassy University, Budapest, Hungary Greetings speech by Abdylmenaf BEXHETI, Professor, Southeast University of Tetovo, Republic of Macedonia
Opening session	Globalization and the fall of labor income share: the case of Balkan economies. Enrico SALTARI, Professor, Sapienza University of Rome A socio-economic analysis of “The Economics Industry” in Albania,1980– 2010 Marianne JOHNSON, Professor, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh



02nd December 2017

08.30-09:00	Registration
09:00-10:30	Parallel Sessions
Session I	<p>Issues and challenges of economic development</p> <p>Chair: Enrico SALTARI, Professor</p>
	<p>The role of entrepreneurship in the economic development of Albania Soana JAUPELLARI, Assoc. Professor, University of Tirana; Olta MILOVA, Assoc. Professor, University of Tirana.</p> <p>Estimating Economic impact of Tourism based on the Input-Output Analyze Ledjon SHAHINI, PhD, University of Tirana; Arben MALAJ, Professor, University of Tirana.</p> <p>Estimation of backward sectorial linkages In Albania using Input – Output table for 2013 Enton DURO, PhD, University of Tirana.</p> <p>Charter cities: Development model neo-colonialism Tillman van de SAND, PhD Candidate, Andr�ssy University, Budapest.</p> <p>The orientation of developing countries in Balkan toward Green Economy. Is Albania ready to adapt this form of economy? Zene SHALARI, PhD, University of Tirana; Albina DOKO, MSc, Credins Bank.</p> <p>Utilizing FDI for sustainable development. The case of Albania Zhanina DAPI, PhD Candidate, Catholic University Our Lady of Good Counsel.</p>
Session II	<p>Economic effects of Budget and Fiscal Policies</p> <p>Chair: Abdylmenaf BEXHETI, Professor</p>
	<p>Fiscal policies and their impact on the development of the private sector in Albania Evis KUMI, PhD, Metropolitan University of Tirana; Ermira SPAHAJ, PhD Candidate, Metropolitan University of Tirana.</p> <p>Flat tax versus progressive tax, which performs better in economic growth of Albania? Matilda VELIU, PhD, University of Tirana.</p> <p>Key “budget support” features and its implementation in Albania Josif GJANI, PhD Candidate, Associate Partner at Abkons; Rajmonda DUKA, Professor, University of Tirana.</p> <p>The non -observed Economy in Albania Elida LIKO, Assoc. Professor, University of Tirana, Tonin KOLA, Professor, University of Tirana.</p> <p>Conditions and fiscal capacities for an efficient management of public investments Dorjan TELITI, MSc, Parliament of Albania.</p>

	<p>Uneven distribution of foreign direct investments and regional economic inequality nexus: The case of Albania</p> <p>Etis JORGJI, PhD, University of Tirana; Genti PICARI, PhD Candidate, University of Tirana.</p>
Session III	<p>Managing Corporate Governance and Government Regulations for Business Expansion</p> <p>Chair: Ingrid SHULI, Professor</p>
	<p>The arguments over Corporate Social Responsibility understanding in Albania (Business case studies)"</p> <p>Alba SKENDAJ, PhD, Metropolitan University of Tirana; Genc ALIMEHMETI, Assoc. Professor, University of Tirana; Marsela TAFA, MSc, Metropolitan University of Tirana.</p> <p>The importance of control in managerial work</p> <p>Andrea CAMBALIKOVA, PhD, University of Economics in Bratislava , Juraj MIŠŮN, Assoc. Professor, University of Economics in Bratislava.</p> <p>Working women and the role conflicts effect over productivity</p> <p>Mimoza KASIMATI, Professor, University of Tirana; Romina SULAJ, MSc, University of Tirana.</p> <p>Reclaimed inside communal water, benefits and challenges to achieve it</p> <p>Kostandin KRISTO, PhD Candidate, University of Tirana.</p> <p>A theoretical model of customer behavioural influences towards internet service providers in Albania.</p> <p>Ana BUHALJOTI, PhD, University of Tirana.</p>
Session IV	<p>Employment and social welfare issues</p> <p>Chair: Ahmet MANÇELLARI, Professor</p>
	<p>The map of the Hungarian higher education</p> <p>Petronella KÉPES, PhD Candidate, Budapest University of Technology and Economics.</p> <p>Gender differences on employment: A cross-national study</p> <p>Eri GJOKA, PhD Candidate, University of Tirana; Raimonda DUKA, Professor, University of Tirana.</p> <p>The determinants of youth unemployment in Albania</p> <p>Lorena ALIKAJ, MSc, Ismail Qemali University of Vlora; Klaudja GUGA, PhD, Ismail Qemali University of Vlora.</p> <p>Health status inequality in Albania</p> <p>Aseda BANUSHAJ, PhD Candidate, University of Tirana.</p>
Session V	<p>Issues and challenges of labour markets and migration</p> <p>Chair: Serdar SAYAN, Professor</p>

	<p>Migration and poverty in CEE countries: A Gravity Model Approach Emi MALAJ, PhD Candidate, Ismail Qemali University of Vlora; Visar MALAJ, PhD, University of Tirana.</p> <p>Factors affecting the Wage Level in Albania Glediana ZENELI, PhD, University of Tirana, Amarilda KULLI, MSc, Credins Bank Arsen BENGA, MSc, American University of Middle East, Kuwait.</p> <p>Migration – Cost and benefits of the migration movement in 2015 and 2016 Simon A.H. VOGT, PhD Student, Andrásy University Budapest.</p> <p>Employment and minimum wage Irisi BELERAJ, PhD Candidate, University of Tirana; Tonin KOLA, Professor, University of Tirana.</p>
10:30-11:00	Coffee break
11:00-11:15	Group photo
11:15-12:45	Parallel Sessions
Session VI	<p>The challenges of microeconomic policies in the context of integration</p> <p>Chair: Raimonda DUKA, Professor</p>
	<p>Competition policy vs public - private partnerships and concessions: Albanian case Arjan TUSHAJ, PhD, University of Tirana; Servete GRUDA, Professor, Aleksandër Moisiu University of Durres; Zoica ZHARKALLI, PhD, Aleksandër Moisiu University of Durres.</p> <p>Trade openness and sustainable agriculture Entela KALLAMATA, MSc, Urban Research Institute NGO.</p> <p>The main features of the agrarian sector development and food security issues of the Republic of Azerbaijan in modern economic condition. Ragif HUSEYNOV, PhD Candidate, Szent Istvan University, Hungari</p> <p>Electricity costs in Albania and the region – are there sound differences between neighbour countries? Valbona KARAPICI, PhD, University of Tirana; Arseno GJIPALI, Assoc. Professor, University of Tirana.</p> <p>Albania’s Challenges for Accessing the European Market Filip RUXHO, PhD Candidate, European University of Tirana.</p>
Session VII	<p>Modern trends in management in different sectors</p> <p>Chair: Kozeta BYLYKBASHI, Professor</p>
	<p>The impact of Big Data on socio-economic aspects Tea TAVANXHIU, MSc, University of Tirana; Romina MUKA, MSc, University of Tirana; Kozeta SEVRANI, Professor, University of Tirana, Andrea ALBERICI, PhD, CEO Studio Synthesis SRL.</p>

	<p>Challenges in EU Funds Management for the pre accession countries of the Western Balkans Peter HEIL, PhD, Corvinus University of Budapest.</p> <p>Changing intensity of control Juraj MIŠŮN, Assoc. Professor, University of Economics in Bratislava, Ivana Mišúnová Hudáková, Assoc. Professor, University of Economics in Bratislava.</p> <p>Modern trends in management and their application in controlling Andrea CAMBALIKOVA, PhD, University of Economics in Bratislava, Luboslav SZABO, Assoc. Professor, University of Economics in Bratislava.</p> <p>Measuring the quality of services in hotel business. Case study: The southern Albanian Region Rakela THANO, PhD, University of Tirana, Saranda Branch; Theodhori PULERI, PhD, University of Tirana, Saranda Branch.</p> <p>Challenges in managing waste Adela CAFULI, PhD Candidate; Doriana MATRAKU (DERVISHI), Assoc. Professor, University of Tirana.</p>
<p>Session VIII</p>	<p>Policies and Strategies in promoting economic growth and sustainable development</p> <p>Chair: Dietmar MEYER, Professor</p>
	<p>Innovation - Led Growth - A new Approach to Western Balkan's Development? Anisa PLEPI, PhD Candidate, University of Tirana, Andi PLEPI, MSc Student, University of Tirana.</p> <p>Identifying factors that influence sustainable development: the case of Macedonia Hyrije ABAZI-ALILI, PhD, South East European University, Macedonia; Blerta ABAZI CHAUSHI, PhD, South East European University, Macedonia; Agron CHAUSHI, PhD, South East European University, Macedonia; Hristina Anastasievska-Tanevska, PhD Candidate, University Kiril and Metodi, Skopje, Macedonia.</p> <p>Exchange rate inconsistency and the influence in Albania's economic growth. The exchange rate: an enemy, or an ally? Selim BLLIKU, MSc, University of Tirana; Xhuljan VRAPI, MSc, Credins Bank.</p> <p>Consumption Function for Albania, in line with Keynes's Absolute Income Hypothesis (AIH). Altin GJINI, PhD, Aleksandër Moisiu University of Durres.</p> <p>Portfolio Analysis Using Mathematical Methods Agron GJANA, MSc, Faculty of Mathematical and Physical Engineering, Polytechnic University, Glediana ZENELI, PhD, University of Tirana, Arsen BENGA, MSc, American University of Middle East, Kuwait.</p>
<p>Session IX</p>	<p>Economic Modeling of Tourism and environmental impact assessment</p> <p>Chair: Elida LIKO, Assoc. Professor</p>

	<p>Globalization, opportunities and challenges for tourism in Albania Olta KAPLLANI (PRODA), PhD Candidate, University of Tirana, Saranda Branch.</p> <p>The challenges of globalization, some conceptual analysis Lirida CAKU, MSc, American Bank of Investments.</p> <p>Is digital economy really helping in reducing the inequality gap in developing countries? Adelina VELO, MSc Student, University of Tirana; Silvana DOÇI, MSc Student, University of Tirana.</p>
Session X	<p>The impact of banking and monetary policy on economic development</p> <p>Chair: Sulo HADËRI, Professor</p>
	<p>Banking Ombudsman – A suggestion for Albania Edlira KALAJA, PhD Europa Representative Office; Arjeta VOKSHI, Assoc. Professor, University of Tirana.</p> <p>Stress-testing at the Bank of Albania: Methodological approaches and the quality of forecasting Ela GOLEMI, PhD, Aleksandër Moisiu University of Durres.</p> <p>An initial key evaluation of the strategic interaction between macroeconomic policies in Albania Elena POLO, PhD Candidate, Institute of European Studies; Bernard Dosti, Assoc. Professor, University of Tirana.</p> <p>The impact of financial crisis in the Bank Stability in Albania Erjon SULA, Metropolitan University of Tirana; Arseno GJIPALI, Assoc. Professor, University of Tirana; Fatmira KOLA, PhD Candidate, Albanian University and Credins Bank.</p> <p>Does “Phillips Curve” really exist? Empirical evidence from Albania Ergita KOKAVESHI PhD, University of Tirana; Albana HASHORVA, Professor, University of Tirana.</p> <p>De-Euroisation, Bank of Albania challenge and situation in Balkans countries Blerina HOXHA, MSc, Metropolitan University of Tirana; Anisa KADRIA, MSc, NBG Bank Albania.</p>
12:45-13:00	Summary and closing remarks
13:00-14:00	Lunch buffet

