



CALL FOR PAPERS FOR NEW RESEARCHERS

ADAPT in collaboration with the Centre for the Quality of Teaching and Learning (CQIA) of the University of Bergamo organizes the annual International Conference on *Productivity, Investment in Human Capital and the Challenge of Youth Employment* (Bergamo 16th – 19th October 2012). New researchers (doctoral students, PhDs and researchers) – up to 35 years old, are called to submit their contribution by 1st June 2012.

About the Conference

Four years since the beginning of the crisis, youth unemployment is still very high in many countries, calling for the end of the European social model and the urgent need to rewrite labour market laws.

The conference aims at contributing to the current debate tackling the youth unemployment problem through a more comprehensive approach and an interdisciplinary and comparative framework.

In particular, papers dealing with the following topics are welcome:

- Education and school-to-work transition: to understand the role of educational systems, apprenticeships and traineeships and other educational tools for youth employability.
- Industrial Relations: to analyze how collective bargaining could ease the integration of young people in the labour markets.
- Labour market institutions: to stress to what extent employment protection legislations, tax systems, unemployment benefits and labour market policies (among others) affect youth employment outcomes.
- Demographics and welfare system: to examine to what extent the ageing of the workforce affects the current and future youth population in terms of labour market conditions, access to training and pension systems.

How to participate

Those intending to participate should submit an abstract (max 1500 words) by 1st June to info@adapt.it. Adapt Scientific Committee will select up to 10 papers and the winners will be granted reimbursement of travel (up to 300€ for EU citizens and up to 800€ for non-EU citizens) and hospitality costs for the days of the conference. The list of accepted abstracts will be published online on or after 1st July 2012.

For information about the submission of papers, please contact info@adapt.it. Full details relating to the Conference are to be posted on our website www.adaptbulletin.eu.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Very best wishes,

The Organizing Committee

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