

Pandemics, Labour Markets and Inflation

June 30-July 1, 2023; Siena, Italy

CALL FOR PAPERS

The International Centre for Economic Analysis (ICEA) invites papers to be considered for a conference on **Pandemics, Labour Markets and Inflation**.

The COVID-19 pandemic had far-reaching effects on labour markets and on inflation. It increased withdrawals from the labour market, despite uncertain economic conditions, in particular for older workers, in two-worker families and among people affected by long-covid. In many countries, the rate of unemployment fell to record lows. The pandemic disorganized international supply chains, increasing costs of production and transportation. These developments, exacerbated by the invasion of Ukraine and its effects on energy and food markets, led to inflation rate reaching the highest levels since 1980s. With even core inflation far exceeding targets, and low unemployment leading to faster wage growth, anti-inflationary policy of central banks is likely to lead several countries into a recession this year.

We invite papers related to the analysis of these developments, lessons learned, policy responses and papers related to the general topic of the conference.

The conference is open to both presenters and non-presenters. Registration is required.

The conference will take place at the [Certosa di Pontignano](#), the conference centre of the University of Siena, Italy, June 30-July 1 2023. The Certosa is located about 10km from Siena, in a beautiful Tuscan countryside.

The conference can be combined with the "[Palio di Siena](#)," which will take place on July 2. Palio di Siena is the most famous Italian horse race, run since 1633 in piazza del Campo, Siena's main medieval square.

PAPER SUBMISSIONS

Authors should submit an extended abstract of up to 300 words. Please include JEL classification codes for the paper as well as keywords. Complete papers may be submitted but the extended abstract is required. In case of more than one author, the name of presenter should be underlined.

Proposals for sessions consisting of three or four papers are particularly welcome. If you are interested in submitting a session, please send the session topic, author names, titles and abstracts, as well as the name of the conference, to secretary@ICEAnet.org

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[CONFERENCE REGISTRATION](#) (for non-presenters)

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Laurence M. Ball (Johns Hopkins University, NBER and ICEA)



Laurence M. Ball is Professor of Economics at Johns Hopkins University. He is also a Research Associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research, a consultant for the International Monetary Fund and Distinguished Fellow of ICEA. He received the Wim Duisenberg, Olin and Sloan fellowships. He has previously been a Visiting Scholar at a number of central banks, including the Federal Reserve, the Bank of Japan, the Bank of England, and the Reserve Bank of New Zealand. His research topics include unemployment, inflation, and fiscal and monetary policy. He is the author of “The Fed and Lehman Brothers: Setting the Record Straight on a Financial Disaster”, chosen as one of the “Best Economics Books of 2018” by Financial Times.

Stephen G. Cecchetti (Brandeis International Business School, NBER, CEPR and ICEA)



Stephen G. Cecchetti is the Rosen Chair in International Finance at the Brandeis International Business School, Vice Chair of the Advisory Scientific Committee of the European Systemic Risk Board, a Research Associate at the NBER and a Research Fellow at the CEPR. From 2008 to 2013, he served as economic adviser and head of the monetary and economic department at the Bank for International Settlements. From 1997–1999 he served as Executive Vice President and Director of Research at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York; and from 1992-2001 he was editor of the Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking.

Cecchetti has published widely in academic and policy journals, is the author of a leading textbook in money and banking, and blogs at www.moneyandbanking.com.

IMPORTANT DATES

Submission deadline:	March 10, 2023
Acceptance decision:	March 17, 2023
Registration (required): by	March 30, 2023
Conference dates:	June 30-July 1, 2023

REGISTRATION FEES:

Students: € 100
ICEA Fellows (except Distinguished Fellows): €200
Others: € 300
Late registration: €400
Late registration will be applied to all registrations received after April 30, 2023.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Information about ICEA can be found at <https://ICEAnet.org>, or by writing to secretary@ICEAnet.org.

ABOUT ICEA

ICEA is a non-profit, non-partisan organization dedicated to the advancement of research in economics and other social sciences. It is an international centre with chapters in Canada, at Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo, Ontario; in Poland at the University of Warsaw, in Italy at the University of Siena, and in Ukraine at the Kyiv School of Economics. The conference is jointly organized by the Canadian and Italian chapters.

ICEA organizes conferences, webinars and seminars at which leading economists, policymakers, industry practitioners, students, and other scholars can exchange and develop new insights and ideas. In the last two years we organized several conferences, with keynotes by Janice Eberly, Jordi Galí, Emi Nakamura, Ricardo Reis, Hélène Rey, James Robinson and John van Reenen. We have also organized a series of eleven online conferences under the “After the Pandemic” theme, with keynotes by Stefania Albanesi, David Autor, Laurence Ball, David Blanchflower, Nicholas Bloom, Markus Brunnermeier, Judith A. Chevalier, Yuriy Gorodnichenko, Wojciech Kopczuk, Stefanie Stantcheva and Alan Whiteside.

ICEA envisions to become a network of academics and policymakers who collaborate to apply cutting-edge theoretical and empirical research relevant to economic policy. The centre welcomes diverse views on how to realize this goal. ICEA sponsors high quality research linkages in both interdisciplinary and international dimensions. We encourage long-term affiliation with the centre, and we especially encourage participation of graduate students and new PhDs.

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PUBLICATION OPPORTUNITY

Review of Economic Analysis (REA), the official journal of ICEA, is planning to publish special issues from the conferences. The journal is open access, ABDC-ranked, peer-reviewed quarterly publication. ICEA aims to promote its further development as a top open access, general interest journal. REA is in its 15th year and is supported by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC). Submissions will go through the usual refereeing process. REA charges no submission or publication fees.

CONTACTS

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