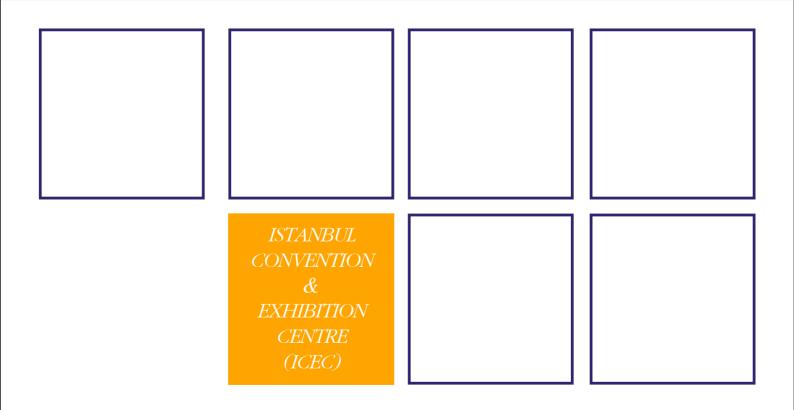
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Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the International Economic Association, I am very glad to welcome you to the 15th World Congress of the IEA. We are very fortunate to be able to hold it in Istanbul, an ideal city given that The Challenge of Globalization is the Congress' unifying theme. I am thankful to the Turkish Economic Association for its support, and especially to its president, Professor Ercan Uygur, for his leadership and enthusiasm at every step of the way.

Globalization issues have become central to the discussion about a good number of important topics such us trade and financial liberalization, global warming, and poverty and income distribution. Although most people would agree that globalization opens up new and exciting possibilities, risks are very real and cannot be ignored. Financial crises in emerging markets, for example, show that opening up channels for capital to flow from rich to poor countries - a process that has the potential of benefiting everyone, rich or poor -could backfire and turn the tide in the opposite direction. Even in cases in which alobalization has brought about higher growth rates, one hears loud and angry voices claiming that the winners are just a handful few, while most of the population is left behind. To the extent that this perception prevails, the political sustainability of alobalization will always be at stake, weakening the credibility of policy and policymakers, and bringing a new wave of massive and indiscriminate interventionism with global implications.

The IEA World Congress offers an ideal setup to discuss globalization issues because the Association encompasses many countries around the world and, since its inception, encourages scientific and nonpartisan debate. The support of the TEA and the inspiring surrounding provided by this wonderful and evocative city will surely contribute to the success of our deliberations. I wish you all a very productive and pleasant stay in Istanbul with my heartfelt thanks for your participation in the program.

Guillermo Calvo President of the IEA Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Turkish Economic Association (TEA) and the Organising Committee, it is a great pleasure for me to welcome you to Istanbul on June 25, 2008 for the 15th World Congress of the International Economic Association (IEA).

Since its foundation in 1929 and its IEA membership in 1977, the TEA has organised several national and international activities. Yet, the 15th World Congress is the most significant of such activities and we shall do our utmost for you to benefit from the congress and to enjoy your stay in Istanbul.

Istanbul has been a city of several civilizations and religions since it was first settled as early as in 5500 BC. It is the only city situated on two continents, Asia on the east and Europe on the west, with Bosphorus in between. Napoleon Bonaparte summarily described the city; "If the whole world was a state, Istanbul would be the capital of it." Indeed, Istanbul was added to the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1985 and was recently chosen as a European Capital of Culture for 2010.

Scientific groundwork for the 15th World Congress is done, under the leadership of Professor Guillermo Calvo, by members of the Programme Committee, who have chosen the central theme of the congress as The Challenge of Globalisation. Some topics under this theme are; International Finance, Macroeconomic Policy, Trade and Growth, Migration, Political Economy, The Role of the State and Institution, Global Imbalances, and Globalisation in Historical Perspective. The Committee welcomes submissions on any topic of economics.

On behalf of the TEA and the Organising Committee, I very much thank Professor Guillermo Calvo and each and every member of the Programme Committee for their efforts for the Congress.

I look forward to welcoming you in Istanbul in June 2008.

Ercan Uygur, President of the TEA

Main Themes & Paper Submission

The five day Congress Programme includes plenary sessions, invited sessions and presentation of contributed papers.

The central topic will be The Challenge of Globalisation. Below are a few examples of topics that would fit in that category. The list is just illustrative and does not preclude other topics that directly or indirectly help to cast light on the challenges faced by globalised economies. In particular, we welcome submissions dealing with innovative microeconomic methods which help to understand and address some of these challenges, like, for instance, randomized experiments to evaluate the impact of social policies.

International Finance

- Recent Crises in Emerging Markets
- The Financial Sector, Volatility and Crisis Prevention
- New Financial Architecture and Role of International Financial Institutions (e.g. the IMF and the Multilateral Development Banks) and the WTO

Macroeconomic Policy

- Monetary and Fiscal Policy Under Trade and Financial Integration
- Monetary Unions: Learning from the Euro
- Management of Commodity Booms. Dutch Disease, Commodity Stabilisation Funds
- Debt Policy: Maturity and Currency Denomination.
 Any Role for de-dollarisation? Trade and Growth
- Regional Integration Issues: Lessons from E.U., NAFTA etc...
- Trade in Services: Challenges
- The Role of China and India

Migration Issues

- Brain Drain
- Remittances

 Welfare and Political Issues in "Receiving" Countries: the Challenges of Massive Labour Immigration

Political Economy Considerations

- Global Governance and Global Democracy
- Impact of Globalisation on Domestic Conflicts and Political Instability
- Impact of Globalisation on Poverty and Income Distribution

The Role of the State and Institution in a Globalised Environment

- International Policy Coordination
- Global Warming
- International Labour Standards and Coordination
- Global Pension Funds
- Regional Public Goods
- Social Insurance: Pension Funds, Health Insurance

Global Imbalances

- Savings Allocations Implications
- Risks of Sudden Stops and Global Volatility

Globalisation in Historical Perspective

Call for Papers and Paper Submission

The Congress will be devoted to invited lectures and to parallel sessions of contributed papers on the main themes and on any subject of economics. Topics of broad interest to countries throughout the region are welcome.

Papers and abstracts in English should be sent only electronically to the following address: www.iadb.org/res/iea.cfm by February 1, 2008. Notification of acceptance will be sent by March 15, 2008.

Registration

All participants, including authors of papers, must register by submitting the online Registration Form available at **www.iea-tek2008istanbul.org.** In case electronic registration is not possible, registration forms can be faxed or sent by post to the Congress Secretariat, the numbers and the address of which are given below.

Registration fees, provided in the table below, are paid at the time of registration and include participation in the welcoming reception, congress documents, lunch-boxes, coffee-tea-cookies at breaks, cultural evening, as well as attendance to all congress sessions.

Registration Fees

	Before March 22, 2008	From March 22 to June 10, 2008	After June 10, 2008
Students (*)	€ 80∐	€ 120	€ 160
TEA Members	€120	€ 180	€ 240
Other Participants	€160	€ 240	€ 320
Institutional [€ 250]	€ 375	€ 475
Accompanying Persons	€120	€ 180	€ 240

^(*) Must provide valid student card for 2008

Registration fees are payable in Euros by credit cards or bank transfers. Please note that the fees should be paid net of bank service charges for bank transfers.

Visa, Euro/Master Card and American Express and Diners cards are acceptable. Bank transfers should be made to the following bank account:

Bank: YAPI KREDI BANK, Branch: Anadolu Yakası, Branch Code: 673 Euro Account No: 0022622632, Account Name: Setur Servis Turistik A.Ş IBAN: TR 97 0006 7010 0000 0022622632, SWIFT Code: YAPITRIS

Registrations will be completed only upon full payment. No refunds will be made if registration is cancelled.

Hotel Reservation

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Hotel reservations will be made on a first-come, first-served basis. The following 5 star, 4 star and S-category hotels are available.

5 Star		Single Room	Double Room
C. Intercontinental [www.interconti.com.tr	€ 306,80	€ 330,40
Divan	www.divan.com.trL	€ 180,00	€ 200,00
Hilton 🛘	www.hilton.com.tr	€ 271,40 - 324,50	€ 306,80 - 359,90
Hyatt Regency 🛘	www.istanbul.regency.hyatt.com	€ 283,20 🛚	€ 318,60
Swissotel Bosphorus	www.swissotel.com	€ 332,76	€ 358,72
The Marmara 🛚	www.themarmarahotels.com[€ 233,64 - 269,04	€ 272,58 - 307,98
Ritz Carlton	www.ritzcarlton.com	€ 289,10 - 383,50	€ 318,60 - 383,50

First Class & 4 Star	I	Single Room	Double Room
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Lares Park	www.laresparkhotel.com	€ 135,00	€ 150,00
Point Hotel	www.pointhotel.com	€ 190,00	€ 220,00
Eresin Taxim[]	www.eresintaxim.com.tr[]	€ 120,00	€ 140,00
Carton Hotel	www.cartonhotel.com[]	€ 65,00	€ 75,00
Green Park Taksim 🛚	www.greenpark.com	€ 80,00	€ 100,00
Konak Hotel 🛚	www.hotelkonak.com[€ 100,000	€ 120,00
Marble Hotel	www.marblehotel.com[]	€ 60,00[€ 85.00
Savoy Hotel	www.savoy.com.tr[€ 75,00[€ 85.00
Seminal Otel	www.seminalotel.com	€ 80,00	€ 100,00
Taksim Hill	www.taximhill.com[€ 80,00	€ 100,00
Taksim Select	www.taksimselect.com[€ 85,00	€ 95,00
The Madison [www.themadisonhotel.com.tr[]	€ 100,00[€ 120,00
Yenişehir Palas[www.yenisehirpalas.com[€ 75,00[€100,00

www.germirpalas.com

Single Room

€ 120,00

Double Room

€ 160,00

- 1) Hotel reservation can be made by filling the Congress Registration Form available at **www.iea-tek2008istanbul.org** In case electronic registration is not possible, registration forms can be faxed or sent by post to the Congress Secretariat.
- 2) Hotel fees are to be paid in full in Euros by credit cards or bank transfers at the time the Registration Form is submitted. Bank transfers should be made net of bank service charges.
- 3) Cancellation of hotel reservations should be sent in writing by fax or by post to the Congress Secretariat. Refund policy for cancellations is as follows:
 - Before June 1, 2008; 75% of the fee is refunded.
 - June 1 June 14, 2008; 50% of the fee is refunded.
 - After June 14; there will be no refunds.
- 4) Refunds will be processed after the congress.

Airport Transfers and Transportation

- There will be a special Welcoming Desk for the registered participants of the Congress at the airport next to the Customs Area.
- Shuttle buses (HAVAS) are available from the airport to Taksim, the district where Congress hotels are situated.
- Taxis with meters can also be used for transfers from the airport to the hotels.
- Almost all the Congress hotels are within walking distance to the Congress Venue (ICEC).

Tours of Istanbul and Turkey

Several alternative tours are planned for the participants in Istanbul and to historical sites of Turkey. Please fill in the appropriate boxes on the registration form if you wish to join one or more of these tours. For detailed information on the tours, please see the Congress website: **www.iea-tek2008istanbul.org**

Tours of Istanbul

All tour prices include: • Ground transportation

• Tour guide • Entry fees • VAT

TOUR 1 - Istanbul Classic (Half Day)

Price: € 35 per person

TOUR 2 - Istanbul Classic (Half Day)

Price: € 35 per person

TOUR 3 - Istanbul Classic (Full Day)

Combination of Tours 1 & 2. Includes lunch.

Price: € 78 per person

TOUR 4 - Bosphorus Cruise (Half Day)

Price: € 35 per person

TOUR 5 - Asia (Half Day)

Price: € 35 per person

TOUR 6 - Two Continents (Full Day Tour)

Combination of Tours 4 & 5, Includes lunch.

Price: € 78 per person

Tours of Turkey

Rates do not include domestic flight fees

TOUR 1- Ephesus-Pamukkale (2 Day)

Hotel in Pamukkale: Colessea Thermal

Double € 255 per person, **Single** € 270 per person

TOUR 2- Cappadocia (3 Day)

Hotel: Dedeman or Cappadocia Lodge

Double € 225 per person, **Single**: € 255 per person

TOUR 3- Pergamon-Troy (2 Day)

Hotel in Canakkale: Kolin Hotel

Double € 260 per person,

Single : € 275 per person

TOUR 4- Antalya & Golf in Bellek (5 Day)

Hotel in Belek: Papillion Zeugma or Pine Beach Resort

(All inclusive)

Double € 530 per person,

Single: € 740 per person

ISTANBUL: See www.iea-tek2008istanbul.org for detailed information on Istanbul.

CONGRESS VENUE: Istanbul Convention and Exhibition Centre (ICEC). For location of ICEC in Istanbul see www.icec.org/tr

VISAS: Please visit the following address for information on visas: www.mfa.gov.tr/MFA/ConsularInformation/ForForeigners/VisaInformation

CURRENCY: The Turkish currency is YTL and floats freely against other currencies. Major credit cards are generally accepted in the hotels, restaurants and shops.

ELECTRICITY: Voltage in use is 220 V. Hotels have adapters and converters available for guests' use.

LANGUAGE: In restaurants, hotels and other places visited by tourists, foreign languages, particularly English, are spoken.

TIPPING: It is customary to tip around 10 percent of the bill in the restaurants, bars and cafes.

PHONE CALLS: To make an international call, dial: 00 + Country code + Area code + Telephone number.

AMBULANCE: 112,

POLICE: 155,

FIRE: 110

CLIMATE: Istanbul's climate is generally mild. Average temperature in June is about 28^oC.

SHOPPING HOURS: Monday- Saturday 09:00 - 19:00

BANKS: Open During Monday-Friday 09:00 - 17:00

WEIGHT AND MEASURES: Metric system is used in Turkey.

VAT: Value Added Tax is included in the prices and is registered on the bills.

BUSES: There is no doubt that buses are the cheapest form of transportation in Istanbul.

METRO/UNDERGROUND: There is only one metro line in Istanbul.

TAXIS: Taxis are efficient and convenient to travel around Istanbul. Fares are quite low as compared to fares in Europe.

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