Call For Abstracts

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Schedule for scientific program: Deadline for abstract submission 02 September 2024 - Abstract acceptance notification 16 September 2024

Background

The concepts of Sustainability and regeneration have opened up to alternative economic frameworks including the circular and bio-economic approach, social ecological economics and degrowth. The Bio-economy refers to a more sophisticated and sustainable model of the economy based on the efficient and regenerative use of biological resources. Social Ecological Economics is committed to dealing with environmental depletion, finding climate just alternatives to unsustainable production and consumption, while intellectual capital can provide the qualitative grounds for degrowth.

The concept of sustainability in its advanced dimensions of knowledge-based alternative economics has thus gradually evolved compared with the original idea of bio-economy and circular economy.

Focus

The realization of these new approaches has meant that an economic environment has developed where new skills and new capabilities are required and consequently deemed necessary for the activation of entrepreneurial dynamics. Hence, the need arises to qualitatively define the scope of these new skills as well as the methodological requirements for their education.

The theme of the delimitation and teaching of new approaches in economics, is absolutely essential for the tangible and intangible creation of economic models based on these innovative principles. A gap is often witnessed between scientific and academic conceptual constructions and concrete managerial and entrepreneurial activity. As is evident, the reduction of this gap is only possible if adequate training mechanisms together with innovative and targeted teaching capable of integrating the new possibilities offered by innovative frameworks are activated alongside an adequate scientific and empirical approach.

Following this approach, a different economic model would become a safeguard for democracy and for the pursuit of a specific purpose: drawing a new contract between the human and more-than-human worlds. In this sense, safeguarding natural capital and redefining the framework of interactions at a social and economic level would take on the value of protecting democratic rules and regulating social relations, allowing new levels of intercultural and global governance.

We invite contributions that can coherently address topics such as those specified below:

- Alternative models of economy and economics beyond sustainability
- Circular bio-economy and regenerative approaches
- Climate justice and ecological economics
- Social knowledge capital for degrowth
- New impact measurements for alternative economics
- Balancing environmental and socioeconomic goals
- Caring for nature as a precondition for development
- Progressive taxation: from taxing labor to taxing consumption and concentration
- Transformation towards a commons economy
- Teaching new paradigms: topics, methodology and dynamic integration of technology
- Finding a way through alternatives to sustainability
- Digital transformation, AI and technical innovation for efficiency in circular and bio-regenerative economies
- The role of governmental institutions and public administrations in changing paradigms

Contributions to the international conference are warmly welcome according to the following milestone and due dates:

– Deadline for abstract submission 02 September 2024 (structured abstract required: background; objective; methodology; findings; implications. Max. 1000 words) to email kcwsncp.conferencerg@unict.it (mailto:kcwsncp.conferencerg@unict.it)
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Publication opportunity

Publication opportunities, that will be announced shortly, are substantially based on a special issue of a relevant scientific journal and on a book from a well known international editor.

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