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Theme :

« The democratic Tunisia face to its new economic and financial challenges »

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1. MOTIVATION

Increasingly complex and multifactor economic and financial challenges

Obviously, the democratic process has not enabled Tunisia to establish stability yet. Economic growth has not reached the level that would enhance job creation. Accordingly, hope of the thousands of unemployed young graduates is progressively fading. Meanwhile, the Government's weakness furthers the proliferation of an informal and illegal sector that is threatening the national enterprises and contributing to the accentuation of the public deficits. Such a situation is likely to block the start of various reforms that are so awaited. The excessive resort to external financing threatens to bring out a snowball effect. However, this option is probably the only issue since the collapse of the foreign currency earnings of exporting sectors. These latter are indeed weakened by the increase of social claims and the degradation of the security framework. On a larger scale, the local situation is deteriorating also because of the global recession context.

Overcoming these multiple challenges requires necessarily enforcing a set of reforms that aim all the domains and sectors.

What are the main measures to be adopted without delay? And what in-depth reforms must be established so that the Tunisian economy crosses the hard cap?

#JEFA'17: participating to the public debate

Throughout the Third Applied Economic and Financial Days (JEFA'17), the Faculty of Economics and Management of Mahdia and its partners are seeking to develop a scientific exchange platform that gathers young researchers, confirmed academics and economic and policy actors, all of them concerned with the Tunisian economy climate.

The ultimate goal of these days is to define a set of appropriate development policies and strategies, on the basis of rigorous academic and scientific frameworks.

The objectives assigned to the JEFA'17 are:

- The evaluation, the synthesis and the diffusion of results of researches on the retained theme.
- Sharing experiences and discussing the stakes relevant to social, economic and environmental researches which are in relation with the Tunisian difficulties. This allows suggesting recommendations to policy makers in order to conceive development reforms and strategies on the economic, social and environmental scales. International experiences will definitely be interesting.

The general theme of the JEFA'17 -"*The democratic Tunisia face to its new economic and financial challenges*"- will be debated during the plenary sessions. Three main questions will be discussed: *i) What reforms for a fiscal equity? ii) What reforms for a viability of the retirement funds? iii) SME Finance, SoHo finance and microfinance.*

Themes to be discussed during the parallel sessions will be willingly open enough to cover different fields of research in economics and finance. Communication proposals can be relevant –but not limited– to one or many of the themes listed below:

1. Macroeconomics
2. Microeconomics
3. International economics
4. Economics of labor and human capital
5. Political and institutional economics
6. Regional economics and decentralization
7. Economics of environment and sustainable development
8. Industrial economics and entrepreneurship
9. Corporate finance
10. Market finance
11. Sustainable finance, alternative finance and microfinance

2. SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Proposals have to be in Word or PDF format. They can be written in French or English and should be a maximum of two pages making clear the central research question, the methodology, the main results, the essential bibliographic references.

Authors are required to indicate their name, surname, institution, position, email address and the relevance of their paper to one of the previously mentioned themes.

Submissions must be received no later than **February the 15th 2017 - 11:59 pm** at: **jefa2017@gmail.com**

The abstracts will be peer reviewed and evaluated by the scientific committee members. By **March the 5th, 2017**, all authors of accepted proposals will receive –by email– a notification of acceptance and an invitation letter to present their full papers at the JEFA'17.

3. IMPORTANT DATES

- **15 February 2017** – Deadline for abstract submission
- **05 March 2017** – Notification of acceptance from the scientific committee
- **31 March 2017** – Deadline for full papers submission
- **15 April 2017** – Publication of the final program of the JEFA'17

4. REGISTRATION AND VENUE

Registration fees are:

- 250 Tunisian dinars for residents;
- 200 Euros for nonresidents.

They cover documentation, coffee-breaks, lunches and accommodation at the hotel Iberostar Royal Mansour (one night full-board for resident participants; two nights full-board for nonresident participants).

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