



National Research University Higher School of Economics
**XVI April international academic conference
on economic and social development**

On April 7-10, 2015 in Moscow, the National Research University Higher School of Economics (HSE) with a support of the World Bank organizes the XVI April International Academic Conference on Economic and Social Development. The Conference Program Committee is chaired by Professor Evgeny Yasin.

The plenary sessions and special round tables will feature senior Russian Government officials including representatives of the Presidential Administration, high-level representatives of the World Bank, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, and the CEOs of several largest Russian and international companies.

Special topics of the conference are:

1. Institutions and Economic Growth
2. Reasons for reforms' success and failure
3. Global World: Intergation or desintegration?
4. Demand for law: Factors and Dynamics

The plenary sessions, including selected honorary papers, sessions and round tables, will be devoted to (but not restricted on) the special issues of the Conference. Session meetings and round tables on the problems of economic and social development will be held after the plenary sessions.

On the conference website <http://conf.hse.ru> applicants can get acquainted with the main fields of work. Authors are not required to stick to these issues only, although the Program Committee will give priority to the papers relevant to the issues above.

The paper should present the results of original research carried out with modern research methodology. Papers can usually be summarized in 15-20 PowerPoint presentation slides and presented within 15-20 min. As a rule, the average presentation on a round table lasts from 5 to 7 min. Conference program of the sessions and round tables will be formed according to the requests.

Working languages of the Conference are Russian and English. Simultaneous translation will be available during all plenary and most session meetings. Participants are invited to submit extended abstracts of their research papers for presentation at the Conference sessions. Submissions will be accepted from **September 9, 2014** till **November 11, 2014**, only through on-line registration at: <http://conf.hse.ru/>. After the registration each participant will be provided with personal profile to be an interface between the participant and the Organizing Committee.

A detailed summary of the proposed presentation should be attached to the application, in Word or RTF file, in 1-3 pages with 1.5 line spacing (up to 7000 symbols). The summary should



outline the issue, show the level of the research, include characteristics of the research (theoretical or empirical type of the work, its informational base), as well as its main results. Abstracts which are less than 1 page in length will not be accepted.

The group of applicants after on-line registration before **November 11, 2014** may inform the Conference Program Committee of their wish to submit their papers on one session. Participants can do this by sending a letter at interconf@hse.ru that contains information about the title of proposed session; speakers (no more than 3 - 4, already registered as individual applicants) and the topic of the research, as well as the name and contact information (phone and e-mail address) of the supposed chairperson of the session. One applicant may submit one individual paper and not more than two co-authored papers. On one session there can be no more than two papers submitted from the same organization. Duration of one session is 1.5 hours. Proposals for the formation of such sessions can be taken into consideration by the Program Committee during the papers' review and the formation of the Conference program.

The Program Committee will announce the decision on the inclusion of papers in the Conference program **by January 20, 2015**, considering the results of the review made by independent experts. After the review a preliminary program will be available on <http://conf.hse.ru/>. Participants whose papers are included in the program have to confirm their participation through “personal account” until **February 3, 2015**. Without such confirmation the paper will be excluded from the program.

Authors of the papers included in the Conference program will be requested to send full-text versions of the text (in Word, RTF or PDF file) **by March 5, 2015** for publication on the Conference website. At the end of the conference Higher School of Economics will prepare and issue a conference e-volume, containing all papers which were presented at the conference. Final versions of the papers should be sent **by May 20, 2015** (20, 000 symbols with spaces in Word, RTF or PDF file). The decision about their publication in the Conference e-volume will be made by the editorial board. The papers not presented at the Conference will not be considered for publication.

Participants from the CIS and Eastern Europe countries whose papers are included in the program may apply for a grant from the Moscow Office of the World Bank to compensate travel or accommodation expenses. All applications should be sent at interconf@hse.ru until **February 10, 2015**. The series of workshops will be organized as well for doctoral students and post-graduate students (with the possibility of travel grants for selected speakers). All Information about participation in these workshops will be available on the website <http://conf.hse.ru/> **after September 11, 2014**.

Online registration for participation without presenting a paper will be available **from November 12, 2014** until **March 20, 2015** at <http://conf.hse.ru/>. Information about the conference fee is available on the official website at <http://conf.hse.ru/>. Information and files of previous conferences (2000 - 2014) can be found at: <http://conf.hse.ru/2014/history>.

The Conference Organizing Committee