

WORKSHOP

Call for papers

Innovation, productivity and growth in Italy

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In the current debate on the slowdown of Italian economy, innovation plays a role of crucial relevance. This is evident not only in the discussions among economists, but also in the documents produced by the EU and national institutions and in numerous speeches made by the most influential public establishment of the country. Inspired by these considerations, the Department of Economics, Statistics and Finance (formerly Department of Economics and Statistics) of the University of Calabria organises the workshop "Innovation, productivity and growth in Italy". The goal of the workshop is to create an opportunity for discussing on innovation and reflecting on the role that R&D activities may play in enhancing the productivity and competitiveness of the Italian economy. All this will be made by taking into account the goals of Europe 2020 strategy. The workshop aims to achieve its objective by gathering researchers in this field that will present and discuss their research and share knowledge and experiences. The scientific committee encourages the submission of papers on the following topics.

- Determinants of R&D investments and of Innovation
- Innovation for growth and competitiveness; the effects of innovation on productivity and occupation in Italy (level and composition)
- Firms' structure and innovation: ownership, management, size, human capital, productivity
- Finance for innovation: banks and other intermediaries (incubators, business angels, venture capital)
- Cooperation between firms in R&D activities
Innovation, start-up and young innovative firms
Markets regulation, competition and innovation
- The relationship between international trade and innovation
- Foreign direct investment in Italy and innovation
- Labor market regulation and innovation
- Innovation and changes in work organization
- R&D, innovation and employment
- Collaboration between research centers/universities and firms
- Policies for technological transfer and the role of universities and research centers
- Evaluation of public support to R&D
- Public research, innovation for public institutions and the public demand for innovation

Key Speakers

Michele Boldrin (Washington University di St. Louis, USA)

Michele Clara (UNIDO, United Nations Industrial Development Organization, Wien)

Scientific Committee

Francesco Aiello (University of Calabria)
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Terms

The articles, including a summary (no more than 200 words), keywords and JEL classification, should be submitted by **10 February 2013**. Authors are requested to send their papers in PDF format to workshop-rd2013@unical.it. The scientific committee will notify the acceptance or rejection of the paper by **20 February 2013**.

Current PhD students and young researchers (less than 30 years) will be refunded for travelling and accommodation costs. Travelling costs must not exceed 170,00 Euro. In order to get this opportunity, Ph.D. students and young researchers, whose papers will be selected for presentation, have to send a scanned copy of an official recent document stating their status to workshop-rd2013@unical.it (no later than **3 March 2013**).

Important dates

February	10, 2013	Deadline for papers submission
February	20, 2013	Notification of acceptance or rejection
March	15-16, 2013	Workshop dates

For additional questions, please contact the conference staff at staff-rd2013@unical.it. For any detail, see the workshop website www.ecostat.unical.it/rd2013