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Conference Announcement

XVII AIEL Conference in Labour Economics

Location: University of Salerno, Italy

Organizers: AIEL Italian Association of Labour Economists

Thematic session I: Regions, Europe and Labour Markets. Issues and Recent Developments Major Topics: (coordinators: Floro Ernesto Caroleo and Sergio Destefanis) Thematic Session II: Strategic

Behaviour, Representative Associations and Economic Policy (Coordinator: Nic

Conference Dates: 9/26/2002 to 9/26/2002

Submission Deadline: 4/30/2002

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XVII Conference of Italian Labour Economics Association 26-27 September 2002 - Salerno, Italy Call for papers The Conference consists of two thematic sessions and one session including free contributions. The two thematic sessions will be introduced by invited lecturers, followed by the presentation of selected papers. The Conference will be held in Italian and English. THEMATIC SESSIONS Regions, Europe and the labour market. Recent problems and developments Session Co-ordinators: Floro Ernesto Caroleo and Sergio Destefanis The increasing attention for processes of hysteresis, endogenous growth and, more generally, the so-called "new economic geography" has recently brought to the fore the regional dimension of economic issues. Attention is also warranted by persistent differences in incomes per capita and in activity rates across European (and Italian) regions. Moreover, the creation of a single currency area hinders the power of each country to use fiscal and monetary policy to beat regional unemployment. All this happens, while the Eastward enlargement of the EU widens considerably the scope of regional cohesion. Somehow, one could say that most of the EU"s economic and labour market issues are becoming regional issues. These recent events relating to the interaction between the European economy and its regions prompt research aimed at answering various underlying questions. For further details visit the AIEL web page. Strategic interaction between unions and public institutions Co-ordinator: Nicola Acocella The session intends to deal with strategic interaction among institutions featuring in the labour market and other collective agents, in particular public institutions such as the Government and the Central bank. More specifically, the purpose is to examine how macroeconomic performance in terms of employment and inflation is influenced by the existence of unions, the nature of their preference function, their co-operative attitudes vis-à-vis public institutions, the partisan nature of their preferences, the degree of centralisation of bargaining. Free contributions This session comprises papers on labour economics, not included in the two thematic sessions. PROCEDURES AND DEADLINES Authors are invited to send unpublished papers. Abstracts (.doc file) and/or preliminary versions of the papers (doc or .pdf file) must be sent not later than 30/04/2002 to AIEL secretary, via e-mail, to the address aiel@aiel.it . Articles ((doc or .pdf file)) must be sent within 15/6/2002 via e-mail to the address aiel@aiel.it. Session organisers will accept or reject papers before 15/07/2002. Final version in electronic copy (pdf. file) of accepted articles, to be ed in AIEL WEB page, must be sent not later than 10/09/2002 to AIEL secretary to the address aiel@aiel.it

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