The 4th CAS Annual Academic Conference

General Equilibrium Analysis

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June 3-4, 2011
Higher School of Economics, conference room Г-313, Pokrovsky Boulevard 11, Moscow, Russia

The conference focuses on topics in general equilibrium theory. Those include aspects of economic dynamics and developments in the general equilibrium framework, especially utility and demand theory, and various aspects of market imperfection in transitional stages of economic development. The conference will also discuss theoretical and empirical aspects of the growth theory; in particular, the way where the accumulation of foreign exchange reserves impacts the trajectories of economic growth and development. The conference will honor Academician Victor Polterovich, a prominent Russian economist, a founder of NES and a member of the HSE Academic Council (Ucheny Sovet), who has retired from NES last year.

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Friday, June 3

8.30 – 9.00  Registration and Coffee
9.00 – 9.30  Greetings
Sergei Guriev (Rector, New Economic School)
Yudkevich Maria (Vice Rector, Higher School of Economics)
Martin Gilman (Director, Center for Advanced Studies, Higher School of Economics)

9.30 – 11.00  Session I. Chair: Gur Ofer (Hebrew University)
Fuad Aleskerov (Higher School of Economics)
Is It So Bad That We Cannot Recognize Black Swans?
Alexei Savvateev (New Economic School), S. Weber (Southern Methodist University and New Economic School), M. Le Breton (University of Toulouse) and D. Musatov (New Economic School)
Gale-Nikaido and Milgrom-Shannon: Existence of Nash Equilibrium in Locational Models

11.00 – 11.30  Coffee Break

11.30 – 13.00  Session II. Chair: Fuad Aleskerov (Higher School of Economics)
Gennadi Henkin (University of Pierre and Marie Curie)
Burgers Type Equations and Schumpeterian Dynamics
Sergei Yakovenko (Weizmann Institute of Science)
On Variational Approach to Economic Dynamics: A Mathematician's Retrospective and Perspective

13.00 – 14.00  Lunch

14.00 – 15.30  Session III. Chair: Andrei Bremzen (New Economic School)
Sergei Izmalkov (New Economic School)
Solutions of Informed Principal Problems
Francesco Squintani (University of Essex), Massimo Morelli (Columbia University), and Johannes Horner (Yale University)
Mediation and Peace

15.30 – 15.45  Coffee Break

15.45 – 16.45  Keynote address. Chair: Mark Levin (Higher School of Economics)
Eric Maskin (Institute of Advance Studies and HSE)
Uncertainty and Hyperbolic discounting

17.00 – 17.15  Coffee Break

17.15 – 18.15  Keynote address. Chair: Shlomo Weber (SMU and New Economic School)
Werner Hildenbrand (University of Bonn)
On the Structure of Demand Functions

19.00  Reception Dinner (by invitation)
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Saturday, June 4

9.30 – 11.00  
**Session IV.** Chair: **Mark Levin** (Higher School of Economics)  
**Igor Evstigneev** (University of Manchester)  
*Behavioral Equilibrium and Evolutionary Dynamics: A Way to a Non-Walrasian World*  
**Irina Schepina** (Voronezh State University)  
*Stability of Innovative Behavior of Russian Regions During Period of Growth, Stagnation and Recession*

11.00 – 11.15  
**Coffee Break**

11.15 – 12.45  
**Session V.** Chair: **Shlomo Weber** (SMU and New Economic School)  
**Vladimir Popov** (New Economic School and Carleton University)  
*Development Theories and Development Experience: Half a Century Journey*  
**Mark Levin** (Higher School of Economics)  
*Economics of Corruption: Russian Style*

12.45 – 13.45  
**Lunch**

13.45 – 15.15  
**Session VI.** Chair: TBA  
**Oleg Itskhoki** (Princeton University), **Michal Fabinger** (Harvard University) and **Gita Gopinath** (Harvard University)  
*Price Dynamics for Durable Goods*  
**Eyal Winter** (Hebrew University), **Shai Bernstein** (Harvard University)  
*Throwing a Party: Contracting with Heterogeneous Externalities*

15.15 – 15.30  
**Coffee Break**

15.30 – 16.30  
**Keynote addresses.** Chair: **Valery Makarov** (NES and CEMI)  
**Jean-Francois Mertens** (CORE), **Anna Rubinchik** (University of Haifa)  
*Regularity and Stability in Overlapping Generations*

16.30 – 17.30  
**Jean-Michel Grandmont** (CREST)  
*Negishi-Solow Efficiency Wages, Unemployment Insurance and Stochastic Endogenous Keynesian Unemployment Business Cycles*

17.30 – 17.45  
**Concluding remarks.**  
**Valery Makarov** (Academician of RAS, Director of CEMI RAS; President of NES)

19.00  
*Boat trip on Moscow River (by invitation)*