"COOPERATIVES DURING CRISIS AND POST-CRISIS PERIOD - COOPCY"

ICA Global Research Conference

June 12th – 15th 2013, Nicosia, Cyprus

Website address:
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Conference Aim

The ICA global conference for 2013 hosted at the European University of Cyprus aims to bring together the academia and industry in the crucial sector of cooperatives and social economy.

We are now in a long period of crisis, financial crisis at the beginning, but economic and social crisis thereafter. This crisis has several aspects and consequences, such as failure of enterprises, unemployment, even risk of failure for countries. We need to examine, therefore, the consequences for the cooperative and social economy entities; how they have behaved so far, which changes took place, and how they will emerge from the crisis.

Discussion on crisis can refer to any period or particular situation. That may be on a national or international level, but it can be also on a local level or within a cooperative as entrepreneurial entity. Therefore the question of crisis is not applied to the actual crisis only; it is applied to any period and any circumstances.

The conference will deal with all relevant issues including management of cooperatives, financial issues, social entrepreneurship, and the management of financial crisis. The conference will also examine government policy making and support to the cooperative movement. It is a unique opportunity to create an event where managers of cooperatives, academics, and government policy makers will exchange opinions on how the cooperatives have faced the crisis so far and how they will overcome it and continue to operate successfully after the crisis is over.

The conference will provide a forum for presentation and discussion of scientific papers covering theory, methods, and applications in the fields of cooperative and social economy including a wide range of sectors and problem areas. Abstracts will be reviewed by the Scientific Committee in accordance with standard practice. The conference official language will be English.

Who Should Attend?

Practitioners, Researchers, and Policy Makers from the Cooperative and the public sector, as well as universities, are invited to join an international audience at the CoopCy.

Organizing Institution: European University of Cyprus (EUC)
Registration: Early Bird till April 15, 2013: Euro 250
Late registration after April 15: Euro 300

Keynote Speakers
To be announced

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Call for Papers

Practitioners, Researchers and Policy Makers are invited to submit papers that focus (but are not limited) on the following themes:

- Cooperative banking
- Rural cooperatives
- Mergers in the cooperative sector
- Social entrepreneurship
- Management of cooperatives
- Cooperatives and the financial crisis
- Economic history of cooperatives
- Cooperatives: social capital and sustainability
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Cost of Participation

The cost of participation to the CoopCy is 250 Euro and this includes Conference Proceedings, buffet lunches and coffee breaks, the Conference Gala Dinner.

PhD students only pay 100 Euro.

Accommodation

It has to be arranged directly by the conference participants.

The name and relevant details of hotel(s) in Nicosia, Cyprus will be announced shortly.

Abstract Submission

Please submit your abstract electronically in MS Word or PDF format at:

**The electronic address:**

coopcy@euc.ac.cy

Receipt of abstracts will be acknowledged and decisions on acceptance will be provided no later than February 25\textsuperscript{th} 2013.

Program: To be announced

Workshops: To be announced

Publication Details
The accepted papers may be published in Conference Proceedings or made available to participants in a suitable form.

**Publication:** The possibility of publishing selected papers in the following journals is currently under consideration:

RECMA, Review of International Cooperation
Journal of Rural Cooperation, REVESCO, others