1st CEMIR conference on International Migration: Competition for Talent and Brain Circulation

Call for Papers

On 14–15 December 2012, Ifo and CESifo will hold the 1st CEMIR conference on International Migration: Competition for Talent and Brain Circulation, in Munich. We welcome both empirical and theoretical papers that address policy-relevant questions.

Diverging demographic developments in Europe and in developing countries create a potential for huge mutual gains from migration. At the same time, the immigration of low-skilled workers and emigration of high-skilled workers pose a challenge to the European social model. How can receiving countries ensure that immigrants are net contributors to public finances? How can receiving countries’ welfare state and labor market institutions and immigration policies be improved? To answer these questions, the Ifo Institute has established the Center of Excellence for Migration and Integration Research (CEMIR). It brings together labor economics, public economics, political economics, education economics and globalisation research. This inaugural conference will focus on high-skilled migration, from both receiving and sending countries’ perspectives. Also other contributions on international migration are welcome.

The keynote lectures will be delivered by George Borjas, Harvard University Kennedy School of Government, and Giovanni Peri, University of California, Davis.

The deadline for submissions is 31 October 2012. For submissions, please visit www.cesifo.de. Go to the “Conferences and Events” page, click on the conference name and then on the “Submit Paper” link below the conference description. Only online submissions will be accepted. Should you have any difficulties with the online submission procedure, please contact office@cesifo.de for assistance.

Authors of submitted papers will be notified no later than 8 November 2012 whether their paper has been accepted for the conference.

Accommodation will be provided. We will reimburse lowest fare economy travel costs for all participants with accepted papers.

All papers presented at the conference will appear in the CESifo Working Paper Series.

Further questions regarding the scientific content of the conference should be addressed to the conference organisers Gabriel Felbermayr (felbermayr@ifo.de), Panu Poutvaara (poutvaara@ifo.de), Helmut Rainer (rainer@ifo.de) and Ludger Wößmann (woessmann@ifo.de).

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