



Conference on
Ethics and Economics, February 8-9, 2008, Munich, Germany

Call for Papers

The Enron scandal shook the world, intensifying the discussion about business ethics. The issue of corporate social responsibility has gained further importance with the globalisation process. However, the issues of responsibility, justice and fairness are more general problems. They point to the interlink between us as *homo oeconomicus* and *homo moralis*, vividly analysed by our forerunner Adam Smith. The relationship between ethics and economics seems highly relevant when judging the behavior of human beings in business, politics and private life.

CESifo will hold a conference on Ethics and Economics on February 8-9, 2008. The conference is intended to discuss research on topics such as

- evolution of social norms and their impact
- fairness versus efficiency
- theory of justice and its applications
- markets and values
- altruism and reciprocity
- business ethics in capitalism
- corporate social responsibility in the globalised world
- theory and practice of economic scandals
- moral hazard and moral sentiments
- evolutionary aspects of human behavior in markets and in groups.

The invited speakers are:

Ken Binmore, Emeritus Professor of Economics, University College London.

Martin van Hees, Professor of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, University of Groningen.

We invite interested researchers to present and discuss their ongoing research. We welcome theoretical, empirical and experimental work. **The deadline for the submission of manuscripts is October 31, 2007.** The manuscripts should be sent via e-mail to both organisers (see below).

The conference will be held at CESifo in Munich. CESifo will provide accommodation and will reimburse economy travel costs for paper presenters and discussants.

There will be a conference volume (published in the CESifo Seminar Series with MIT Press). Submission of papers for the conference implies their submission for potential publication in the conference volume. All submissions will be subject to a normal refereeing process.

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