

International Conference on
Globalization and Economic Asymmetries: Challenges and Opportunities

December 18-20, 2008

Organised by
Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode

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In association with the

Athenian Policy Forum

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Conference Objectives

To evaluate the several challenges as well as opportunities thrown up by the continuing process of globalization embracing almost all countries. Economists and management professionals from several developed and developing countries are expected to take part in this conference, the second of a planned series. The first conference in this series of APF-IIMK conferences was held at IIM Kozhikode in December 2005. Selected conference papers were brought out in a book published by APF Press in Toronto.

Theme

Globalization and Economic Asymmetries: Challenges and Opportunities

For Whom

This conference will benefit academicians, consultants, researchers, management professionals, corporate analysts and government officials, trade and business observers having stakes or interest in issues related to globalization.

Call for papers

Paper and cases based on research, experience or promising ideas focusing on any of the stated objectives and themes of the conference are invited for consideration for presentation at the Conference. The papers should be typed in MS Word format and printed in double space, Times Roman font and font size 12. The title page of the papers should give your full name, affiliation, telephone/fax number and the e-mail address.

Venue

Indian Institute of Management-Kozhikode and Taj Residency Hotel, Calicut, Kerala, India.

Abstract Submission

Abstracts of papers, of approximately 250 words, should be submitted latest **by September 15, 2008, (deadline has been extended to this date)** to the following;

Dr. Bala Batavia
Department of Economics
DePaul University
1 E. Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60611
312-362-6899
Email: bbatavia@depaul.edu

Completed conference papers should be received at the same email addresses above before November 1, 2008.

Registration Fee

The Registration fee for International participants is USD 300, and may be sent in draft form in favor of “The Athenian Policy Forum”, payable at Chicago, IL 60611 to be received at the following address no later than October 15, 2008

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Late registration (after October 15, 2008) will require a higher fee of USD 400. Registration fees for spouses/guests accompanying the participant are USD150. The Conference will provide snacks and drinks during the day, lunches, dinners and cultural events on December 19 and 20, and social activities for spouses/guests.

A tentative Conference Program is as follows:

December 18	8pm, Cocktail Reception and Registration
December 19-20	9am-4pm, Conference Sessions (social activities for spouses/guests) 7pm, Dinner and Cultural Event

Accommodation

All hotel bookings are to be made directly with the Taj Hotel. For advance hotel booking, contact Ms. Janaki Gopal at the Taj Residency Hotel Calicut, email address janaki.gopal@tajhotels.com & residency.calicut@tajhotels.com, phone (91) 495- 276-5354, Fax (91) 495-276-6448.

Rooms and air travel should be booked as soon as possible. The December month is a peak period for the hotel to India, and after September 15, 2008 the hotel will not guarantee room availability.

Further details on the Taj hotel are given in the webpage:

<http://www.tajhotels.com/Business/Taj%20residency,Calicut/default.htm>

A double room will cost approximately USD150 plus taxes per day (inclusive of breakfast). Ground transportation from the airport to the Taj Hotel should also be booked directly with the hotel (Cost is between USD 25 to USD 30 per car holding up to 3 persons). The hotel can arrange for cars to pick you up at the airport.

For those interested, limited number of accommodation is available at IIM Kozhikode campus, on a twin sharing basis. Please contact Mr. Prasheeb Kumar, IIM Kozhikode, Kozhikode 673 570, Kerala, email: prasheeb@iimk.ac.in. Accommodation will be confirmed after receipt of registration fee.

Special airfares to India from USA and Canada are available by mentioning the APF Conference in Kozhikode (Calicut) and contacting Mr. Birju Bhagat, Krisbi Travels, 2711 W. Peterson Ave., #103, Chicago, IL 60659, phone: 773-561-4100, webpage: www.krisbitravel.com email: Chicago@krisbitravel.com. Delegates from other parts of the world should arrange for their airfares locally.

Checklist for Participants

September 15, 2008: New Deadline for submission of abstract.

October 15, 2008: New Deadline for receipt of registration fee

September 15, 2008: Deadline for booking of accommodation at Taj Residency.

November 1, 2008: Deadline for receipt of final paper.

Kerala, The land of The Green Magic & The Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode:

The Indian Institute of Management-Kozhikode was set up by the Government of India in collaboration with the State Government of Kerala as the 5th Indian Institute of Management. Being a part of IIM family of institutions, which have earned worldwide reputation for academic excellence, the Institute strives hard for maintaining international standards in all of its academic activity. Visit the web page <http://www.iimk.ac.in/#> for more details on IIM-Kozhikode.

Kerala, India, known as The Land of the Green Magic in tourist parlance, has been marketed as one of the world's most attractive tourist destinations by various travel magazines:

National Geographic Traveler:

In its October 1999 special collector's issue, National Geographic Traveler selected Kerala as one of the 50 destinations of a lifetime. Follow the links

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/traveler/index50.html> and

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/traveler/kerala.html> for more information.

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Traveller:

The widely read and circulated travel magazine published from UK, Conde Nast Traveller brought out the exotic fragrance of Kerala in its March 2002 issue.

India

Today:

August 19, 2002 issue described Kerala as India's Shangri-La.

Introducing The Athenian Policy Forum

The Athenian Policy Forum (APF) was incorporated as a global non-profit institution in Canada in 1994, and operates from Athens, Greece and Toronto, Canada. The APF has, as its major objective, to promote independent economic analysis and public discussion on issues and problems of economic adjustment to changing forces of demography, the environment, social and political transformation, technology and trade.

While the processes and implications of the changes now taking place may not, as yet, be fully understood, they point to the necessity of building a new consensus around policy reform within the framework of market-oriented economics. The Athenian Policy Forum is devoted to exploring specific instruments and policies designed to incorporate all segments of society into the process of economic growth as fully as possible, thus ensuring that all can share in the fruits of prosperity.

In drawing upon the ancient Greek and Athenian tradition of discussing important issues in public, The Athenian Policy Forum focuses on the challenges faced particularly by the small and middle-sized countries, examining issues overlooked by mainstream analysis oriented to the interests of the major players in the world economy.

In pursuing its objectives internationally, The Athenian Policy Forum promotes commissioned studies, conferences, symposia, seminars, invited presentations and occasional papers. The Forum also has a publishing arm.