CALL FOR PAPERS

Deadline - 8 September 2008

SUS.DIV – CEPR – PSE Conference
"Models of Cultural Dynamics and Diversity"

Organizers
Alberto Bisin (New York University),
Thierry Verdier (Paris School of Economics and CEPR)

Hosted by Paris School of Economics
Paris, 11-13 December 2008

Supported by:
FP6 Priority 7 "Citizens and governance in a knowledge-based society"
Project: Sustainable Development in a Diverse World"(SUS.DIV)
(Contract No. CIT3-CT-2005-513438)

We are writing to invite you to submit a paper for a joint SUS.DIV-CEPR-PSE conference, on the theme “Models of Cultural Dynamics and Diversity”, which will take place at Paris School of Economics, 11-13 December 2008. The event will be coordinated by Alberto Bisin (NYU) and Thierry Verdier (PSE and CEPR).

Recently, the study of endogenous preferences, cultural traits, and beliefs, as well as the study of social norms, have been increasingly integrated into formal models of socio-economic behavior. In particular, a rapidly growing literature has started to investigate the determinants of long run cultural diversity and their implications for economic and social outcomes. The purpose of this conference is to provide an opportunity to present and discuss the most recent research perspectives on this literature.

Papers are being sought that focus on the following topics:

- Dynamic models of Cultural Transmission and Cultural Diversity
- Cultural Diversity and Discrimination
- Cultural Evolution and their consequences on markets and politics
- The socioeconomic determinants of cultural diversity
- Globalization, Migration and Cultural Evolution
- Cultural diversity, social capital and Economic Development
• Evolution of Culture and Institutional Change
• Political Economy of Cultural Integration and conflicts

Theoretical and empirical papers are welcome. A title and an abstract will be sufficient for the submission, but finished papers are preferable.

If you would like to submit a paper proposal, please upload a one-page abstract or provisional draft with your reply form by visiting http://www.cepr.org/YourProfile/Meetings and indicate whether or not you wish to present a paper or act as a discussant. You will also be asked to specify your funding requirements. Travel and accommodation funding will be provided to presenters of contributions, according to the standard CEPR travel guidelines (http://www.cepr.org/meets/wkcn/misc/CEPR_Travel_Reimbursement_Policy_2008.pdf)

The deadline for replies is 18:00 GMT on 8th September 2008. You may also like to read our Guidelines on how to register online for CEPR Meetings at http://www.cepr.org/meets/emo/Guidelines.htm.

If you have any difficulties registering for this meeting, please contact Anggreini Kasanan, Meetings Assistant, at akasanan@cepr.org or +44 20 7183 8807.

Yours sincerely,

Alberto Bisin
Thierry Verdier