



**34<sup>th</sup> National Conference of Labour Economics  
DiSEI- Università del Piemonte Orientale**

**Novara, 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

**Call for papers**

The Department of Business & Economics (DiSEI) of the Università del Piemonte Orientale is pleased to invite you to attend the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Italian Association of Labour Economists to be held in **Novara**, on the **12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> September 2019**.

The programme includes invited lectures and parallel sessions. The conference provides an opportunity to analyze and discuss issues related to the functioning of the labour market as well as to develop research collaborations.

**Theme:** Human Capital in modern societies: theories, policies, and economic implications.

The OECD defines Human Capital as the knowledge, the material and cognitive skills, the competencies and attributes embodied in individuals that facilitate the creation of personal, social and economic well-being at all life stages. In modern societies, human capital is the key tool to adapt and react to changes in the social and economic environment and as the main engine of development.

The nature of Human Capital is complex and multidimensional, and the 'optimal' mix of its ingredients changes over time (for both individuals and societies). Depending on the purpose of the analysis, it can be analyzed from different perspectives, for example, looking at education and training decisions, health, life style and retirement choices, as well as their interconnections and economic and social implications. For example, how Human Capital shapes the working and living conditions of both younger and older adults, and even the well-being of retirees. The economics literature addressed a variety of these topics. At the macro level, the analysis mostly concerned how the accumulation of human capital through higher education levels impact on innovation activities and economic growth. At the micro level, the research focused on the study of the determinants of schooling outcomes (e.g. family background, SES, individuals' characteristics), the analysis of education systems' characteristics, and the labour market consequences of schooling decisions; the earnings and employment outcomes of publicly provided training schemes; the effects on life-long human capital investments of demographic ageing. In modern societies, lifelong investments in Human Capital also benefit their welfare systems. More stable, productive, healthy and prolonged working careers guarantee lower needs of social assistance, as well as higher sustainability of pay-as-you-go pension systems also in the context of an ageing population.

These are key issues for the policy debate worldwide as education and training provide the way to cope with evolving labour markets, organizational changes, technological innovations, and demographic dynamics.

**Keynote speakers:**

**Maia Güell** – The University of Edinburgh

**Andrea Weber** – Central European University

**Tito Boeri** – Bocconi University

**Thematic sessions** welcome papers on a wide range of labour issues:

1. Employment, Unemployment and Matching	5. Institutions and Labour Market Policies
2. Gender, Family and Demographic Economics	6. Personnel Economics
3. Wages, Income Distribution and Poverty	7. Education, Training and Human Capital
4. Migrations, globalisation and the labour market	8. Health, Working Conditions and Job Satisfaction

### Joint sessions

The 34<sup>th</sup> AIEL Conference will host sessions jointly organized by AIEL and groups of labour economists. There will be a session co-organized with the Asociación Española de Economía del Trabajo (AEET), a session co-organized with the Global Labor Organization (GLO), and a session co-organized with the Competence Centre on Microeconomic Evaluation (CC-ME) of the European Commission Joint Research Centre. A special session will be devoted to papers from the VISITINPS project.

### Ezio Tarantelli Award

All papers presented at the 34<sup>th</sup> AIEL Conference will be considered for the award of the Tarantelli Prize. The winner(s) will be announced during next year conference.

### Carlo Dell'Aringa Young Award

A special award – the Carlo Dell'Aringa Young Labour Economists Award – will be assigned (together with a monetary prize of 500 euros) to the best paper presented at the conference by young researchers. To be eligible for the award, all the authors of the paper must be no more than five years after their Ph.D. defence. The winner(s) will be announced during the social dinner.

### Presentations

Parallel session presentations are given in sessions of 3 or 4 papers, with a chairperson. At the end of each presentation, there is time for questions and general discussion. The official language of the conference is English.

### Procedures and deadlines

Contributors are invited to submit on-line unpublished papers in PFD format no later than **16<sup>th</sup> June 2019**. Papers submitted must be in a full draft version. Participants must register and upload their paper in the system using the submission tool in the user panel at the address <http://www.aiel.it> (if you need help please contact the AIEL secretary at [aiel@aiel.it](mailto:aiel@aiel.it)). **To complete your submission, please, send also a copy of the paper (specifying the thematic session) to Lia Ambrosio at [aiel@aiel.it](mailto:aiel@aiel.it)**. Notice of acceptance will be given by **7<sup>th</sup> July 2019**. Final version of accepted papers must be uploaded no later than **5<sup>th</sup> September 2019**.

	Before 1 <sup>st</sup> August, 2019	After 1 <sup>st</sup> August, 2019 (no later than 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2019)
<b>Registration fee*</b>	<b>€ 170</b>	<b>€ 200</b>
<b>Reduced fee for PhD Student and researchers with collaboration grants (i.e. Assegnisti di ricerca)</b>	<b>€ 90</b>	<b>€ 200</b>

\* Fees include association fee (€ 55), social dinner, lunches and coffee breaks.

Payments must be made through bank transfer before **5<sup>th</sup> September 2019** to the following account:

Bank account n.:	<b>3976499</b>
In name of:	<b>Associazione Italiana Economisti del Lavoro</b>
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## Participation

Participants must confirm on-line their attendance no later than **5<sup>th</sup> September 2019**. Papers whose authors will not confirm their participation by this deadline will not be included in the final programme.

## Instructions for on-line submission

Those who are not yet registered on the AIEL website (<http://www.aiel.it>) need to register first. After registration an e-mail will be sent to your address with username and password (which can be changed at any time) to enter the USER PANEL where the submission tool is available. To submit your paper you need to enter the information requested and upload the PDF file. Past AIEL members who are already registered can use their credentials and upload the paper as explained above.

## Conference information

The venue of the conference is: *Department of Business & Economics at the Università del Piemonte Orientale – Via Perrone 18 – Novara*

Notice that the city of Novara is located between Milan (50 km) and Turin (100 km) and can be easily reached by plane (Malpensa airport is 30 km from Novara and it is connected by public transports), train (line Milan-Turin), or car (Autostrada A4 Torino-Milano).

It is also close to the Alps and to Maggiore (38 km) and Orta lakes (49 km).

Further details on how to reach the conference venue will be published on the AIEL Conference website, along with information about accommodations and tourist attractions.

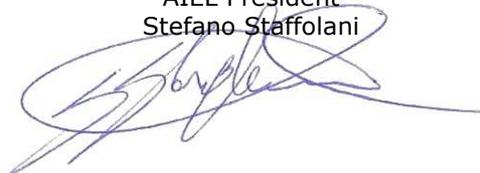
## Social activities

On **12<sup>th</sup> September**, in the late afternoon at the end of the first day of the conference, participants are invited to a guided tour of Novara (i.e. castle, Cupola of Saint Gaudenzio, cathedral, etc.). Afterwards, participants are invited to the social dinner.

On **13<sup>th</sup> September**, at the end of the conference, the participants who intend to stay in Novara for the following night are invited to a tour at the lake Orta, one of the most picturesque in Italy.

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