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Business Scale in Relation to Economics

CALL for PAPERS

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Business Scale in Relation to Economics

The economic discussion about the large- vs. small-scale enterprise often concentrates on the competitive advantages/disadvantages resulting from economies of scale or size and technological improvements due to the capital strength. However, more economic characteristics and factors shall be considered. For example, cost flexibility explains under which conditions the small farmers may have the same level of cost efficiency as the large competitors. Stigler (1933) defined flexibility as the ability of a single-product firm to adjust output to exogenous shocks with relatively low costs. The followers added different other measures of flexibility and especially introduced multi-dimensional concept of flexibility. The authors recognised that the product mix matters. In particular, the flexibility is determined not only by the ability to adjust output but

also the structure of the production portfolio to exogenous shocks with relatively low costs. In a modern concept, the cost flexibility is decomposed into the convexity effect, scope effect and scale effect.

The conference intends to provoke discussion on the key factors surrounding the size of enterprise. The general topic of the conference provides not only a platform for discussing theoretical issues, but also for sharing experiences, identifying practical problems and exploring which solutions can be clarified with the assistance of the scientific community. This calls for papers addresses researchers, academics and practitioners in the fields of agricultural economics and management, informatics, agricultural policy and rural development. Authors are invited to submit abstracts in electronic format via the link ap.pef.czu.cz by 15th March 2019.

Conference Schedule

Wednesday, 18th September 2019

08:15 – 09:00	Registration
09:00 – 12:30	Plenary session and discussion
14:00 – 18:00	Prague sightseeing
19:00	Gala Dinner

Thursday, 19th September 2019

09:00 – 12:30	Parallel paper sessions
14:00 – 15:30	Parallel paper sessions

Review Process and Conference Proceedings

The Structured Abstract must be submitted by **15th March 2019** using the online Abstract Template (following your Registration). The submitted abstracts will be reviewed by the Editorial Board. Authors of accepted abstracts are invited to submit a paper. The papers must be submitted by **10th May 2019** using only the offline Paper Template. Submitted papers are subject to a double-blind review process before publication. Authors will be notified about the reviewers' decision by **31st May 2019** (accepted/rejected/revision). The revised paper must be submitted by **28th June 2019** together with a Checklist of

adjustments. The final decision on acceptance/rejection of the paper will be announced until **12th July 2019**.

Papers not presented at the conference will not be published in the Conference Proceedings. The Conference Proceedings from previous years are indexed in the **Web of Science** (ISI Web of Knowledge) database. The conference language is English.

The five best papers (reviewed by the Editorial Board) will be offered the possibility of publishing in a reviewed journal registered in the **SCOPUS** database.

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Registration Fee

- **FULL registration fee for each paper and participant: CZK 3,800 of 150 EUR**

The full registration fee includes access to the conference, conference materials, lunch, coffee breaks and Gala Dinner. The registration fee does not include accommodation, breakfast and bank charges. Payment is due by **9th August 2019**. Each participant will receive detailed payment instructions by email after the paper acceptance.

Important Dates 2019

Date	Description
31st January 2019	Registration opening
15th March 2019	Deadline for abstract submission (in English) - registration is required*
31st March 2019	Information about abstract acceptance/rejection
10th May 2019	Deadline for papers submission
31st May 2019	Information about paper acceptance/rejection/revision
28th June 2019	Deadline for submission manuscripts after the revision
12th July 2019	Decision of acceptance/rejection for Conference proceedings
9th August 2019	Deadline for transferring the registration fee
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* For technical reasons it is not possible to submit the abstract on the webpage without registration.

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