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# RENAISSANCE IN: ECONOMICS

MANIFESTO FOR THE NEW ECONOMY

## 3° INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CALL FOR PAPERS Roma, 14 & 15 May 2026

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DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCES AND DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS, ROMA TRE UNIVERSITY

The boundaries of the traditional mainstream economic paradigm limit our ability to expand the sources of personal, social, and economic value creation. The figure of homo economicus remains trapped in suboptimal Nash equilibria when facing social dilemmas. Profit-maximizing corporations—no matter how efficient—generate negative social and environmental externalities that domestic institutions are often unable to correct. GDP growth, treated as a sufficient condition for wellbeing, fails to provide meaningful guidance for human progress. A purely top-down approach to politics reduces the chances of finding effective solutions and undermines participation and active citizenship, both essential to the survival of democracy. Knowledge organized in silos weakens researchers' sense of responsibility, stifles creativity, and discourages social engagement.

In the difficult times we live in, one of the most fascinating directions of research is to develop contributions that show how to broaden these boundaries across five domains:

- I) **Beyond homo economicus:** measuring and valuing other-regarding preferences that contribute to the creation of personal, social and economic added value;
- II) **Beyond (no-matter-how) profit maximisation:** investigating corporate diversity in which productive and social organisations create value for stakeholders and foster social progress;
- III) **Beyond GDP growth** as a sufficient indicator of wellbeing: advances in multidimensional wellbeing measurement;
- IV) **Beyond top-down only political economy:** exploring forms of active citizenship, participation, social and civic engagement;

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- V) **Toward interdisciplinarity and openness to social mission of social scientists:** exploring the civic role of academics and the significance of academic involvement in addressing global issues.
- VI) **In search of (value consistent) renaissance in macroeconomics and mesoeconomics.** a new sixth dimension that cuts across the consolidated five pillars of the Renaissance in Economics Community. Specifically, the relational dimension of socio-economic agents inspires reflections on relational intelligence as a foundation.

The goal of the Manifesto was to remove obstacles and create broader paths within the discipline toward social progress and both private and public happiness. For this reason, we are particularly interested in research that can accelerate progress along these paths and more specifically-relative to the pillars- in research:

- a) creating conditions for prevalence of positive sum games over zero and negative sum games by triggering potential of other-regarding preferences, cooperation, trust and social capital;
- b) analyzing various forms of productive organization with governance models and objective functions that improve the lives of workers, foster social organization that enhance the wellbeing of stakeholders, and minimize negative social and environmental externalities while promoting community development and an ecological perspective;
- c) designing indicators that capture relevant dimensions of wellbeing, measure social values alongside economic performance, and provide metrics to assess the impact of economic and value-generating activities on individuals as well as on socio-economic and environmental systems;
- d) identifying processes that minimize transaction costs and maximize potential of participation and active citizenship at local and national level;
- e) outlining direction where research and third mission/social impact of researchers can be properly integrated;
- f) analysing macroeconomic systems and policy effects;
- g) analysing meso-economic systems and its policy implications.

Finally, we value research where positive interactions and synergies among different pillars can be identified and highlighted. For more information about the Manifesto, please visit the website: [Manifesto-for-a-Renaissance-in-Economics](#)

The conference will focus on:

**Presentation and Discussion of the Manifesto** – A session dedicated to introducing and examining its key principles.

**Keynote Addresses by Renowned Scholars** – Lectures delivered by leading invited experts on the foundational pillars of the Manifesto.

**Research Paper Sessions** – Presentations of selected papers contributing to the themes and pillars outlined

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in the Manifesto.

**Assembly of Manifesto Co-Signers** – A gathering of signatories to discuss shared commitments and future initiatives.

**Debate on the International Declaration** – A collective and in-depth discussion aimed at shaping an international declaration inspired by the Manifesto's values.

**Engagement with Students and Early-Career Scholars** – An open forum designed to foster critical dialogue between younger generations and established scholars on the relevance and applicability of the Manifesto's principles.

## Purpose and Outcomes

This conference aims to facilitate interdisciplinary dialogue among economists, social scientists, policymakers, business leaders, and civil society advocates. By examining five interrelated dimensions of research, participants are invited to critically assess and redesign economic models and policy frameworks in light of the Sustainability Goals. The program seeks to advance a shared understanding of how these models can contribute to a just and sustainable global future.

## Who Should Attend

This conference is open to researchers, academics, policy advisors, business leaders, non-profit organizations, and any individuals interested in advancing an economic paradigm shift toward sustainability, equity, and resilience. Expected conference participants are both senior and young.



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## Contributions on New Economic Paradigm

Participants may contribute in the following ways:

1. **Extended Abstracts for Presentations.** Submit an extended abstract (600-1,200 words) summarizing the main arguments, research questions, and key insights of your research or practice-based work.
2. **Full Research Papers.** Submit a complete paper presenting new findings or theoretical contributions related to the conference themes. Papers may focus on advanced topics or deep analyses that explore the potential for transformative change in economic paradigms.
3. **Policy or Practice-Oriented Contributions.** For those with expertise in policymaking, consulting, or applied research, we welcome policy papers or case studies that demonstrate real-world applications and impacts related to the conference themes. Submissions should provide in-depth analysis, insights, and lessons that inform best practices or actionable recommendations.

### General Guidelines for Submissions

4. **Relevance:** Contributions are expected to engage with one or more of the five pillars of the conference, while interdisciplinary or cross-cutting perspectives are also welcome.
5. **Structure:** Each submission should clearly state the research problem or policy question, outline the methodology or analytical framework, and present key findings or insights.
6. **Formatting:** Submissions should follow standard academic formatting (e.g., Times New Roman, 12-point font, double-spaced, with proper referencing style).

### Submission Process

- Submit documents in PDF or Word format by **February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026**.
- Each submission should include the author's name, affiliation, and contact information.
- All submissions must be sent to **Google Form:** <https://forms.gle/m4awffPysNeRHaQm7>.

### Review and Selection Process

Submissions will be reviewed by the conference committee for alignment with conference themes, originality, and potential to contribute to actionable insights. Accepted participants will be notified by **March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026**.

### Benefits of Participation for Contributors

Participants will have opportunities to:

- Present their work to an engaged audience of academics, young researchers, and practitioners.
- Lead and participate in discussions that shape the direction of emerging economic paradigms.
- Network with other experts and collaborate on interdisciplinary projects



# Young contributions on New Economic Paradigm

## Why Submit?

This is a unique opportunity to present your ideas alongside renowned scholars, participate in lively discussions, and connect with like-minded peers passionate about reshaping the field of economics.

## Themes for Submissions

Contributions are expected to engage with one or more of the five pillars of the conference, while interdisciplinary or cross-cutting perspectives are also welcome.

## Submission Guidelines

- **Extended Abstracts for Presentations.** Submit an extended abstract (600-1,200 words) summarizing the main arguments, research questions, and key insights of your research or practice-based work by **February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026**.
- Accepted abstracts will be notified by **March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026**.
- Submissions should include the author's name, affiliation, and contact details.
- All submissions must be sent to **Google Form:** <https://forms.gle/mQP2G4GRuhuf6vC17>
- For information, please write to **Email:** [conferenceneweconomy@gmail.com](mailto:conferenceneweconomy@gmail.com).

## Benefits of Participation for Young Contributors

Selected participants will have the opportunity to:

- Present their research at the conference.
- Engage in discussion sessions with senior academics and thought leaders.
- Participate in a youth forum to discuss the Manifesto's values and themes.
- Obtaining an official certificate of participation
- Contribute to integrating and improving the Youth Manifesto ([manifesto-dei-giovani-per-una-nuova-economia/](http://manifesto-dei-giovani-per-una-nuova-economia/))

## Young Scholar Manifesto Award

We are pleased to announce the 2<sup>nd</sup> Young Scholar Manifesto Award, which will honor the best paper presented by an early-career researcher at the conference.

The Award:

- aims to encourage young scholars to contribute and inspire impactful change in the field of economics.
- calls for innovative and original research that advances theoretical, empirical, or policy-oriented understanding of the themes addressed by the conference.
- recognizes originality, research rigor, and relevance to the conference themes, fostering innovative approaches to new economic paradigms.

The winner will receive a monetary prize and an official certificate.



## Guidelines of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Young Scholar Manifesto Award

1. **Award:** The prize amounts to €1,500 (gross, before taxes).
2. **Honorable Mention:** the commission reserves the right to award an Honorable Mention as part of the Prize for the second and third best paper submitted by a young scholar.
3. **Eligibility:** Applicants must be under 35 years of age on the opening date of the Conference (May 14, 2026) and must have completed their PhD no earlier than May 14, 2023. Papers previously submitted to earlier editions of the Award are not eligible.
4. **Authorship:** If the paper is co-authored, all authors must meet the age requirement (< 35 years). Submissions must be **unpublished and presented at the 3rd INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE *Renaissance in Economics***.
5. **Application:** Applications must be submitted using the following [link](#) no later than **March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026**, including a copy of a valid ID and the full paper.
6. **Required Information:** Applications must include the candidate's full name, date and place of birth, address, tax identification code, email and phone contact details (to be kept updated), institutional affiliation, and doctoral program (with university).
7. **Paper Requirements:** Submissions must be in final version, preferably in English, and prepared according to academic standards.
8. **Selection Process:** The Award will be granted by an Evaluation Committee appointed by the Conference Scientific Board.
9. **Further Information:** For additional details, please contact [conferenceneweconomy@gmail.com](mailto:conferenceneweconomy@gmail.com).
10. **Evaluation Criteria:** The Committee will select the winning paper by majority vote, taking into account originality, methodological innovation, relevance to the conference themes, and overall scholarly quality. The results of the evaluation will be announced by **April 20, 2026**, and the Award will be formally conferred during the Conference to a paper that has been duly accepted, included in the official programme, and presented in accordance with the conference schedule. The recipient is required to attend the Award Ceremony.

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## Organized Sessions

The Conference invites proposals for organized sessions that bring together diverse voices to engage with and expand upon the five pillars. We welcome contributions from academic, policy, and practitioner perspectives that collectively challenge traditional economic paradigms and explore holistic approaches to advancing social and environmental wellbeing.

### Session Goals

Organized sessions are designed to:

- Explore key themes.
- Connect theoretical insights with practical applications.
- Encourage interdisciplinary perspectives and youth involvement.
- Contribute to actionable recommendations in economic, social, and environmental policy.

### Themes for Organized Sessions:

We encourage proposals for organized sessions that engage with one or more of the five pillars of the conference.

### Session Proposal Guidelines:

- Proposals should include an in-depth description of the session, title's session, aim, title of each contribution and presenters.
- Each session usually includes 3-5 presenters, ideally representing different perspectives or disciplines.
- Please provide the names, affiliations, and contact information of all proposed presenters.
- Sessions may include interactive formats, such as panel discussions or roundtables or workshops. We especially encourage youth-centered proposals.

### Submission and Review Process:

Submit proposals to [conferenceneweconomy@gmail.com](mailto:conferenceneweconomy@gmail.com) by **January 28<sup>th</sup> 2026**.

All proposals will be reviewed based on alignment with conference themes. Notification of accepted sessions will be provided by **February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026**.

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## Conference Registration

Participation in the conference requires registration by **March 20, 2026**. Only registered participants will be included in the conference program. You can register by filling out the form at the link <https://forms.gle/N6KMsl5Cq9Tf6UtP9>.

## Conference Venues

University of Rome Tor Vergata (May 14)

Villa Mondragone, Frascati (Social dinner May 14)

Roma Tre University (May 15)

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