

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST – Local Organising Committee and Congress Venue **5th World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists – June/July 2014**

The Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE – www.aere.org) and the European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (EAERE – www.eaere.org), in cooperation with the East Asian Association of Environmental and Resource Economics (EAAERE - <http://www.eaaere.org/>), solicit proposals for the Local Organising Committee and for the Venue for the **5th World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists**, to be held in year 2014 tentatively between late June and early July.

Universities, research organisations, or groups of organisations, that intend to propose their candidature for the Local Organising Committee and Venue are kindly requested to send their expressions of interest to the Chair of the Selection Committee by 15 March 2012.

Expressions of interest

Expressions of interest consist of (1) a formal letter stating that the candidate will assume all of the administrative, organisational and financial responsibilities listed in the “Guidelines for Expressions of Interest” available in the AERE and EAERE websites (www.aere.org and www.eaere.org, respectively); (2) a presentation of the candidate including the candidate’s relevant experience in organising and hosting conferences; (3) a preliminary conference budget; and (4) a presentation of the conference venue. Expressions of interest may be accompanied by any other documentation that the candidates judge useful for the evaluation process. The Selection Committee may ask candidates to present additional documents at a later date.

Expressions of interest should be sent by e-mail to the Chair of the Selection Committee at the address below by 15 March 2012. Any material that cannot be sent electronically should reach the Chair of the Selection Committee by mail or fax by 15 March 2012.

Selection Committee

Carlo Carraro, *Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei and University of Venice, Italy - Chair*
Anna Alberini, *University of Maryland, USA*
Trudy Ann Cameron, *University of Oregon, USA*
Thomas Sterner, *Göteborg University, Sweden*
Anastasios Xepapadeas, *Athens University of Economics and Business, Greece*

Selection criteria

Proposals will be evaluated according to the following criteria: (a) location (including consideration of travel cost and time for participants, amenities, on-site transportation, etc.); (b) accommodation (cost, quality, capacity); (c) session facilities (quality of plenary rooms, quality and number of meeting rooms, equipment, meals, social programme, etc.); (d) communications plan (evaluation of the plan for advertising the congress, registrations, availability of papers, etc.); (e) administration (budget, qualifications of Local Organising Committee and local supporting agencies); and (f) funding (grants for students, grants for participants from developing countries, other sponsorships).

A final decision is expected to be taken by June 2012.

Deadline for submitting expressions of interest: 15 March 2012

Expressions of interest should be sent to:

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