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WCERE 2026 Is Underway!



The 7th World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists (WCERE 2026) is now taking place in Carcavelos, Portugal, bringing together researchers, practitioners, policymakers, and students from across the globe. If you are attending the Congress, be sure to consult the final [programme](#) on the WCERE website, via [ConfTool](#), or through the Conference4Me app (search "WCERE"), where you can also receive announcements and last-minute updates throughout the week. We wish all participants a successful and inspiring Congress and look forward to the many scientific discussions, collaborations, and connections that will emerge over the coming days. More information is available on the [WCERE 2026 website](#).

EAERE News

A Successful Week at the EAERE Summer School 2026



The EAERE Summer School 2026 has come to a close after a week of inspiring lectures, lively discussions, and valuable networking opportunities. Hosted in [Universidad de Santiago de Compostela](#), the Summer School brought together doctoral students and early-career researchers from around the world to learn from leading experts in environmental and resource economics, exchange ideas, and build lasting professional connections. EAERE extends its sincere thanks to the lecturers, organisers, and participants for making this year's Summer School such a rewarding and successful experience.

EAERE Past President and POC Secretary General Simone Borghesi Contributes to High-Level Debate on Europe's Future in Siena



On June 11, a POC session on “Regulation vs innovation: a (fake?) trade-off” took place in Siena within the 7th edition of the Vision Pontignano Conference on the Europe of the Future. The session, introduced by [Simone Borghesi](#) (POC Secretary General), was moderated by [Stephen Khan](#) (Editor-in-Chief, The Conversation) and gathered high-level policy makers, experts and scholars. Simone Borghesi intervened as

panelist also in the concluding session on June 13 in which participants discussed the “Pontignano Manifesto” prepared by the think tank Vision containing the background papers and proposals set forth by students, researchers and professors from [Bocconi University](#), [EUI](#), [Ludovika University from Budapest](#), [LUISS](#), and [University of Siena](#).

Among the participants in the conference were [Raffaele Fitto](#) (Italian minister for European policies), [Romano Prodi](#) (former President of the EU Commission and former Italian Prime Minister), [Paolo Gentiloni](#) (former Italian Prime Minister), former Italian Ministers [Lorenzo Fioramonti](#), [Enrico Giovannini](#) and [Giovanna Melandri](#), the Italian Senator [Francesco Boccia](#), the Tuscan Region President [Eugenio Giani](#), the European MPs [Giorgio Gori](#) and [Sandro Gozi](#), [Maria Joao Rodrigues](#) (Chair of the Board of Re-imagine Europa, Former President of FEPS and Former Portugal's Minister), and many others, including journalists from [El Pais](#), [Le mond diplomatique](#), [The Economist](#), [The Conversation](#), [Reuters](#) and [Rai](#).

EAERE networks and members

EAERE Supported Event

SEEDS Annual Conference 2026: Call for Papers Submission and Registration Deadline Extended



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EAERE is pleased to support the **SEEDS Annual Conference 2026**, which will take place in **Ferrara, Italy, from 2 to 4 December 2026**. Organised by the [SEEDS Economics Network](#) in conjunction with the [Horizon Europe BioFairNet Project](#) and hosted by the [Department of Economics and Management](#) of the [University of Ferrara](#), the conference will explore how **Circular Economy and Bioeconomy approaches can contribute to tackling climate change and supporting the European green transition**. The event will bring together researchers, practitioners, policymakers, and stakeholders working across environmental economics, sustainability, circular economy, and climate-related research. The programme will include the main conference, a workshop for early and emerging scholars, a workshop on Engineering Design and Artificial Intelligence in the Circular Economy, and networking activities aimed at strengthening collaboration between academia, industry, policy, and civil society. Topics will cover areas such as renewable energy, climate impacts, waste management, recycling and resource efficiency, bioeconomy transitions, production-chain cooperation, and the sharing economy. The **abstract submission deadline is 17 July 2026**. More information is available [here](#).

EAERE Supported Event

3rd Early Career Workshop on Applied Environmental and Climate Change Economics



CALL FOR PAPERS

You should know that:

- Selected speakers (up to a maximum of 14) are offered up to 2 nights of accommodation and meals, including social dinner.
- All selected contributions will be presented in plenary sessions to maximize participant involvement and interaction.

3rd Early Career Workshop on APPLIED ENVIRONMENTAL AND CLIMATE CHANGE ECONOMICS

8 - 9 October, 2026
University of Urbino Carlo Bo
Via Saffi, 42, 61029 Urbino, Italy

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS


JONATHAN COLMER
University of Virginia


ANNA PAPP
MIT

The 3rd Early Career Workshop on Applied Environmental and Climate Change Economics will take place on **8–9 October 2026** at the [Department of Economics, Society and Politics at the University of Urbino Carlo Bo \(Italy\)](#). Organised by the University of Urbino Carlo Bo in collaboration with the [Department of Environmental Science and Policy at the University of Milan](#), the [Gran Sasso Science Institute \(GSSI\)](#), [Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei \(FEEM\)](#), and [SEEDS](#), the workshop is supported by EAERE. Designed for early-career researchers working in environmental and climate change economics, the workshop will provide a forum for presenting ongoing research, exchanging ideas, and receiving feedback from leading scholars and peers. The keynote lectures will be delivered by [Jonathan Colmer](#) (University of Virginia) and [Anna Papp](#) (MIT). Researchers are invited to submit a full paper or extended abstract by **6 July 2026**, with notification of acceptance scheduled for **10 August 2026**. There is **no participation fee**, and selected speakers may receive accommodation and meals support. **More information and the Workshop Flyer** are available on the [website](#).

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SEEDS–BiT-RG Joint Summer School 2026 on “Behavioral Economics for Sustainability Transitions”: Call for Applications

The **2nd SEEDS–BiT-RG Joint Summer School on Behavioral Economics for Sustainability Transitions** will take place on **24–26 September 2026** at [Unitelma Sapienza University of Rome \(Italy\)](#). Supported by EAERE, the Summer School will bring together PhD students, early-career researchers, and leading international scholars to explore how **behavioural economics and Artificial Intelligence** can contribute to addressing sustainability challenges. Topics will include AI-based nudging, machine learning applications, decision-support systems, and the ethical implications of AI in policy design. The programme features lectures, keynote talks, interactive sessions, and research presentations, providing participants with a unique opportunity to engage with emerging approaches at the intersection of behavioural science, AI, and sustainability. Keynote speakers include [Massimiliano Mazzanti](#) (University of Ferrara), [Simone Borghesi](#) (University of Siena and European University Institute), [Giuseppe Ciccارنة](#) (Sapienza University of Rome), [Elif Naz Çoker](#) (University College London), [Maggie Yang](#) (University College London), and [Giulia de Masi](#) (Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi). **More information is available [here](#).**

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Behavioural Environmental Economics and Policy (BEEP) Workshop 2026

The inaugural **Behavioural Environmental Economics and Policy (BEEP) Workshop 2026** will take place on **10–11 September 2026** at [King's College London](#). Organised by [Sanchayan Banerjee](#) (King's College London) and [Lory Barile](#) (University of Warwick), and co-sponsored by the Journal [Environmental Economics and Management \(JEEM\)](#), the workshop will bring together researchers working at the intersection of behavioural economics, environmental economics, and public policy. **Further information is available on the workshop website [here](#).**



New Paper "The Gas Trap: Outcompeting Coal versus Renewables"

A new paper by [Bård Harstad](#) and [Katinka Holtsmark](#), funded by the [ERC Advanced Grant EXPLOIT](#), examines the complex relationship between natural gas production and climate policy. The authors identify a fundamental "gas trap": while increased natural gas production may reduce emissions in the short term by replacing coal, it can also crowd out investment in renewable energy. As a result, climate-conscious gas producers may be incentivised to increase production today, ultimately leading to higher emissions in the long run. The paper suggests that this mechanism may be particularly relevant for Europe and discusses potential policy responses. The article will be published in the **Journal of Political Economy**, Volume 134, Issue 7 (July 2026). Thanks to ERC funding, the paper is available in open access [here](#).

Join the WCERE Policy Session on Green Transitions

The **PBL Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency** invites EAERE members to participate in the **Science-Policy-Business Session "Policymaking for Green Transitions: From Theory to Practice"** at **WCERE 2026**. The session will explore how economic insights on sustainability transitions can be translated into effective policy action, addressing issues such as policy mixes, coordination challenges, uncertainty, and pathways to net-zero emissions. The session will feature contributions from **Rick van der Ploeg** (University of Oxford), **Cameron Hepburn** (University of Oxford), and **Jeroen van den Bergh** (ICTA-UAB and VU University Amsterdam), together with discussants from the **European Commission**, the **European Environment Agency**, and the **OECD**. EAERE members are welcome to participate either **in person** during WCERE 2026 or **online**. **Further information is available [here](#).**

First Annual Conference of the Forum of Environmental Economists in Israel

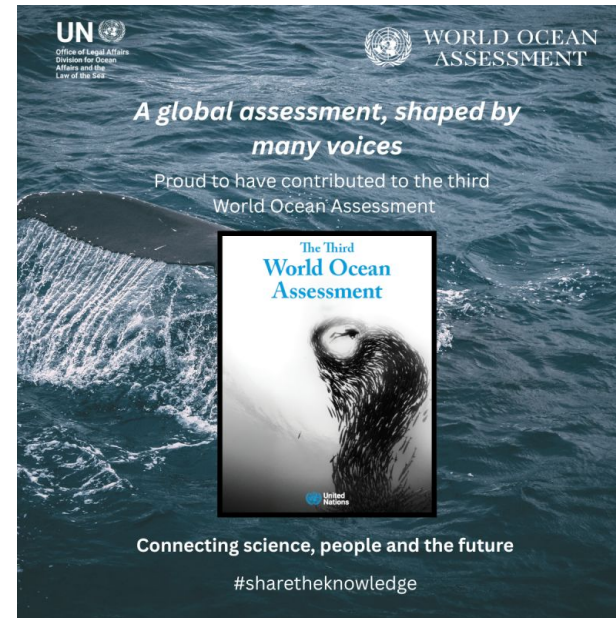
On **2 July 2026**, the **Forum of Environmental Economists in Israel (IEE)** will host its first annual conference at **Reichman University**, marking an important milestone for the environmental economics community in the region. The conference will bring together academics, policymakers, and industry experts to discuss key challenges in environmental economics, including climate risk management, behavioural economics, and long-term resource

security. A highlight of the event will be the presentation of a **Lifetime Achievement Award to Professor Mordechai (Moti) Shechter**, one of the founders of EAERE and an **EAERE Fellow (2019)**, in recognition of his outstanding contributions to environmental economics. **Further information is available on the IEE website [here](#).**

EAERE Community Member Contributes to the Third World Ocean Assessment

[Prof. Dr. Phoebe Koundouri](#) served as a **Coordinating Author for Chapter 3: Human Wellbeing** of the **United Nations Third World Ocean Assessment (WOA III)**.

Working alongside an international team of experts, she contributed to the assessment of the links between the ocean, human wellbeing, and sustainable development, helping to consolidate the latest scientific knowledge on the role of oceans in supporting societies and economies worldwide. The Third World Ocean Assessment contributes to a shared, evidence-based understanding of the state of the world's oceans, the changes they are undergoing, and the implications for ecosystems and human wellbeing across the globe.



EAERE Journals

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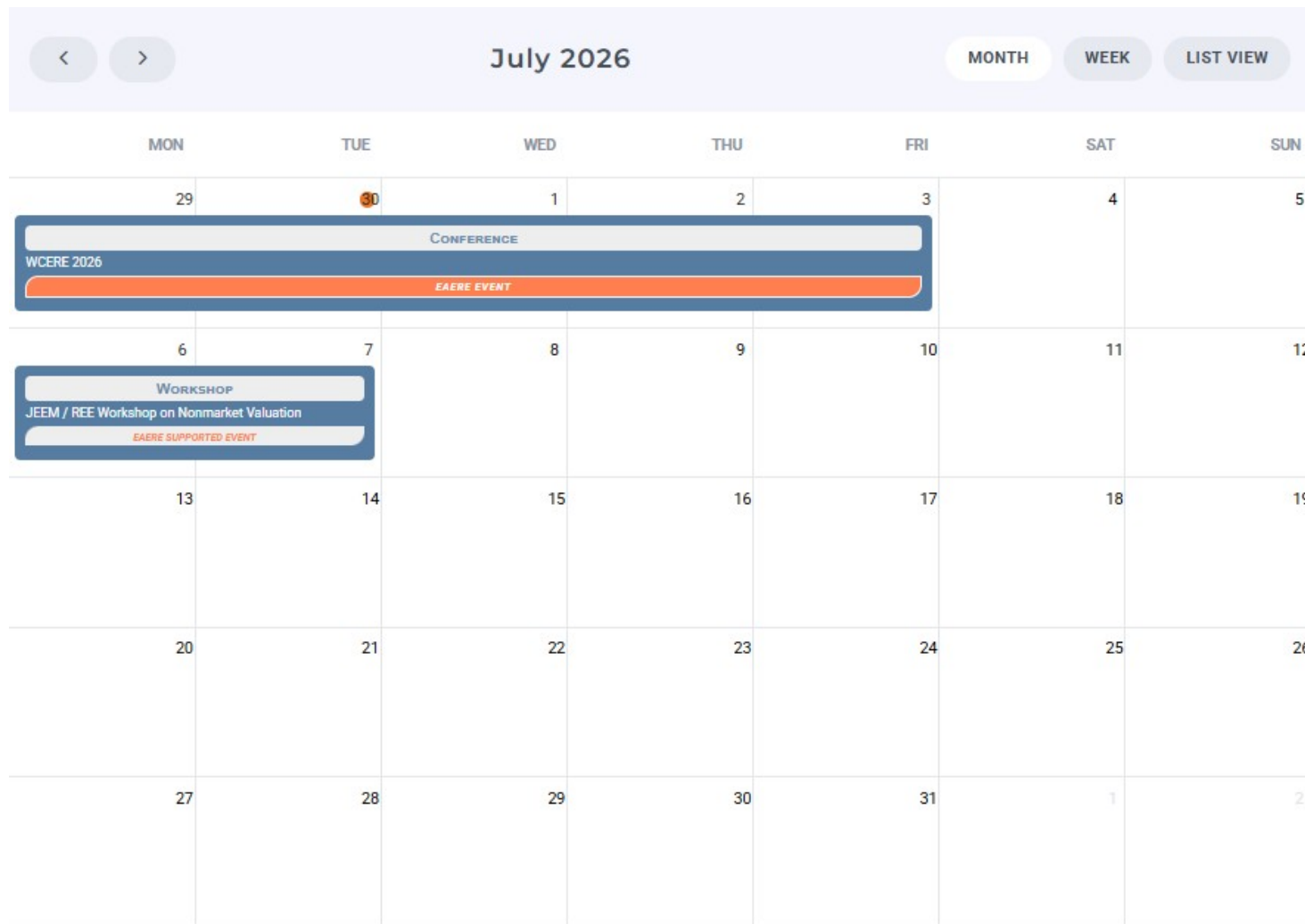
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Upcoming Events



Check out the [agenda](#) on the EAERE website! All major events in EnvEcon signalled to EAERE are listed there and classified by type. Below is a snapshot of the agenda for the next month.



Job Market



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