

CALL for PAPERS

Sustainability, Work and Growth

Workshop on SDG8 "Full employment, decent work for all and economic growth"

5th March 2021

Submission Deadline: 29th January 2021

Outline

WIFO's Research Platform [*Sustainability and Inclusiveness*](#) is organising a Workshop on SDG8 "Decent work and economic growth".

The United Nation's "Sustainable Development Goals" (SDGs) encompass economic, ecological and social aspects of sustainable and inclusive development and describe central global challenges for Austria and the EU, such as reducing inequality, mitigating climate change or creating appropriate working conditions. Among the 17 SDGs, [SDG8](#) focuses on full employment, decent work for all and economic growth. Emerging structural changes are accelerating in the COVID-19-crisis and increasing recognition of the global climate crisis are intensifying the questions of sustainable labour markets as well as of sustainable and inclusive economic structures. The conference topic is set on the background of the actual situation facing disruptions and challenges. In this respect, issues and effects on inequality both among the society and countries should be discussed. Another relevant aspect relates to measurement and monitoring instruments.

We invite the submission of (full) working papers on all topics related to SDG8. Papers addressing the following research questions are particularly welcome:

- What alternative sub-targets or indicators would be needed to measure progress towards SDG8 in a broader sense?
- Do the sub-targets related to SDG8 adequately reflect today's grand challenges (like the climate crisis) and mega-trends (like digitalisation)?
- What gender-sensitive indicators and methods can be developed?
- What are suitable methods to measure the progress towards the sustainable development objective of SDG8?
- What are trade-offs and synergies between SDG8 and other SDGs and how could trade-offs be overcome?
- What are the implications of the COVID-19-crisis for SDG8 in general, and in particular for full employment?

Time and Location

The "Sustainability, Work and Growth" workshop will take place online on March 5th, 2021. Due to the current global situation regarding COVID-19 we decided to organize the workshop as an online event.

Paper Submission

We invite the submission of (full) working papers on all topics related to SDG8. The submission of interdisciplinary papers is encouraged.

Please submit your long abstracts (minimum 500 words) via the [online tool](#) until 29th January 2021. Notification of the outcome of the review process for the conference is scheduled for 10th February 2021.



Publication of Papers

Selected papers may be published after a peer-reviewing process in a special conference issue of *Empirica: Journal of European Economics*. In case you would like your paper to be considered for the special issue please indicate this in the remarks to the programme committee in the online tool. The deadline for the submission of the full paper is 31st March 2021.

General Information

Attendance of the workshop is free. The workshop language is English. In case you have any questions please contact Katharina Köberl (katharina.koeberl@wifo.ac.at).

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