Call for Papers

CBRT Productivity Workshop

Structural Economic Research Department, Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey

27-28 March 2017

İzmir, Turkey

Measuring productivity, understanding the determinants of productivity, and investigating how productivity affects economic outcomes are crucial for both economic policy and research. As many developed countries have been struggling with low economic growth and high unemployment rates following the Great Recession, policy-oriented research on productivity has become more relevant than ever. Although increasing productivity is broadly acknowledged as the main building block for achieving sustainable economic growth, more research effort is needed to uncover the exact channels through which productivity interacts with economic growth.

We are pleased to announce that the Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey (CBRT) Productivity Workshop will be held in İzmir on 27-28 March, 2017. Researchers are invited to submit *empirical papers* on productivity and its relationship with resource allocation, labor markets, economic growth, international trade, and firm competitiveness. Theoretical papers will also be considered, but priority will be given to applied work.

The organizing committee invites contributions on the following topics:

- Measurement of productivity,
- Econometric identification of unobserved firm/worker productivity,
- Productivity and resource allocation,
- Micro determinants of productivity,
- Labor productivity, education/training, and wages,
- Productivity, international trade, and competitiveness,
- Productivity, innovation, entrepreneurship, and growth.

Submissions

Please submit full papers to (<u>serd.conference@tcmb.gov.tr</u>) by 15 January 2017. Authors will be informed of decisions by early February.

Expenses

Expenses on economy class airfare and accommodation up to three nights will be reimbursed for presenters.

Contact Details

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