

## CALL FOR PAPERS

Democracies and open societies have recently suffered a number of setbacks. As the adverse impacts of financial crises, inequalities in wealth and income, globalized trade and capital mobility have become more pronounced, the world seems increasingly threatened by authoritarian populism. In this context of turmoil, many of the accepted doctrines and policies that had previously been taken for granted are being challenged, and serious concerns about the possible futures of economically and politically open societies have been raised.

Organised in close collaboration with Utrecht University's "Institutions for Open Societies" research programme, the Fourth WINIR Conference is set against this backdrop. The conference especially welcomes contributions from any academic discipline that address the challenges and dynamics of the economic, political, legal and social institutions of our time. Submissions on any other aspect of institutional research are also welcome.

Keynote lectures, representing three academic disciplines, will be given by **Johanna Mair** (Hertie School of Governance, management), **James Robinson** (University of Chicago, politics) and **Juliet Schor** (Boston College, sociology).

The conference will also feature a round table on "ICT, Open Societies and New Institutions", and will be preceded by a PhD workshop. A separate call for papers for this pre-conference event will follow shortly.

Submissions (300 words max.) from any discipline, theoretical approach and methodology must be made online at [www.winir.org](http://www.winir.org). Submissions will be evaluated by the WINIR Scientific Quality Committee: Bas van Bavel (Utrecht, history), Simon Deakin (Cambridge, law), Geoff Hodgson (Hertfordshire, economics), Uskali Mäki (Helsinki, philosophy), Katharina Pistor (Columbia, law), Sven Steinmo (EUI, politics), Wolfgang Streeck (Max Planck Institute Cologne, sociology), Linda Weiss (Sydney, politics).

We look forward to receiving your submission.

**13 March 2017**  
Abstract submission deadline

**30 March 2017**  
Notification of acceptance

**31 March 2017**  
Registration opens

**15 May 2017**  
Early registration deadline

**31 July 2017**  
Registration deadline for accepted authors

**1 August 2017**  
Non-registered authors removed from programme

**15 August 2017**  
Registration deadline for non-presenters

**16 August 2017**  
Late surcharge applies

**1 September 2017**  
Full paper submission deadline

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