



18th IES Summer School of Economics

How to Deal with Youth Unemployment?

– Danger of Losing (Another) Generation –

Institute of Economic Sciences
Zmaj Jovina, 12 – Belgrade, Serbia

Duration: 13th - 17th July, 2015 (5 working days)

The **Summer School of Economics** is a unique programme in the Western Balkans that brings together eminent lecturers, young researchers and outstanding students from the Region and beyond. The School gives participants the chance to learn about contemporary issues in economic theory and practice, to interact and share their views and experiences with eminent professors and young intellectuals.

THE SCHOOL OFFERS:

Summer School of Economics offers **18 hours of lectures and 6 hours of interactive workshops and discussions**. The School's goal is twofold: to provide education on modern economics and to establish durable links between young professionals and likely future leaders in Southeast Europe. The School applies interactive methods of education by combining lectures and debates. Emphasis is put on the active participation of students in the education process. Lecturers at the Summer School of Economics are distinguished international scholars, professors from the region and beyond and local economic policy makers, experts from various institutions including World Bank, OECD, IMF.

Participation at the Summer School of Economics is completely **free of charge for all participants**.

COURSE TOPICS

- MACROECONOMIC SITUATION IN EU AND THE WB REGION
- YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT - EU AND WB PERSPECTIVES
- LABOUR MARKET AND EDUCATION POLICIES - WHICH STRUCTURAL REFORMS DO WE NEED?
- HOW TO START OWN BUSINESS? ACCESS TO ALTERNATIVE FUNDING AND POSSIBILITIES FOR SELF-EMPLOYMENT
- IT INDUSTRY - STARTUPS AND NEW SOURCES OF ECONOMIC GROWTH



TARGET GROUP

The target group are **advanced undergraduate** (at least 3rd year of bachelor studies) and **graduate students in social sciences and humanities** from the Western Balkan region. The Organization Committee will select **30 candidates** (15 students from abroad and 15 from Serbia), with outstanding applications who demonstrate an interest in the main topics of the school and eagerness to learn and interact.

The program of the 18th Summer School and the list of lecturers will be published in due course.

APPLICATION

Thirty (30) applicants will be accepted to the Summer School. Education in social sciences and humanities is preferred (especially in economics and related disciplines, such as law, political science, sociology, organizational science and the like).

Applicants from the following countries may apply: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, FYR Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Slovenia.

The list of other requirements is set out below:

- **Under 30 years of age**
- **Application form**
- **Short essay in English** (500 words on the theme of this year's Summer School. Essay should include opinions, attitudes and reflections about Macroeconomic Situation In EU and the WB Region, Youth Unemployment - EU And WB Perspectives, Labour Market And Education Policies, Access To Alternative Funding And Possibilities For Self-Employment, Startups and New Sources of Economic Growth and similar topics.)
- **Short Resume or CV**
- **Two recommendation letters** (from professors or superiors, must include their contact details)
- **High average mark** during (if still a student) or at the end of studies (if the applicant has already graduated)
- **Good knowledge of the English language** (if available, please send us some proof)

You can register either (a) online, by sending the required materials to summerschool@ien.bg.ac.rs or (b) at the Institute of Economic Sciences' premises, at Zmaj Jovina 12, 11 000 Belgrade, Serbia (you can either send the required documentation by mail or bring it yourself).

Deadline for sending applications is June 10th, 2015.



ADMISSION

The Selection Committee will be in charge of announcing the final list of participants no later than the 20th of June. The factors most affecting the outcome will be CV, the Essay and recommendation letters. Those who have been chosen will need to confirm their participation by the 1st of July.

ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS

The participants who are not from Belgrade will be accommodated at the hostel in downtown Belgrade. All participants will be provided lunch and refreshments during the lectures.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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All further information regarding the Summer school – the final list of lecturers, the timetable etc. – will be published in due course on IES's web site.

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