

## Call for Papers

Special Sessions on:

### “Pluralism and Decoloniality”

EAEPE Annual Conference 2024 in Bilbao, September 4 – 6, 2024 (on-site event)

#### Scope of the special sessions

Pluralism and decoloniality have both received considerable academic and activist attention in the past, but an explicit examination of their relationship to each other is still lacking. Both concepts have inspired corresponding academic-activist movements – such as the 'Network for pluralism in economics' and 'Decolonizing economics' – that seek to change the academic institutions of economics. Debates between these two groups have started, but are still in their infancy.

This special section explores their common terrain and invites papers that explore the relationship between pluralism and decoloniality. More specific questions that could – *inter alia* – be discussed in these sessions include:

- Do pluralism and decoloniality share a common agenda in economics?
- What are the main lines of convergence and conflict between the concepts of 'decoloniality' and 'pluralism'? What does this mean in practice for reforms of academic institutions of economics and economic education?
- What economic theories and economic thinkers have been marginalized by colonial structures in academia?
- Through which knowledge structures have economic institutions been formed in the Global South?
- What role do Empires play in the history of economic thought?
- How can the relationship between Western and non-Western theories and concepts be changed in a pluralistic environment? More specifically, can or should there be an epistemic privilege for non-Western concepts?
- Through which institutions can a pluralist and decolonial economics avoid both relativism and the discrimination of non-Western knowledge spaces?

#### More about the events on pluralism and decoloniality

Alongside the panels on the topic of pluralism and decoloniality, we will also organize a panel discussion in which experts of the field engage in a conversation with the conference participants. For more information, feel free to contact the special session coordinators, [Oliver Kessler](mailto:oliver.kessler@uni-erfurt.de) ([oliver.kessler@uni-erfurt.de](mailto:oliver.kessler@uni-erfurt.de)) and [Claudius Gräbner-Radkowsch-Radkowsch](mailto:claudius@claudius-graebner.com) ([claudius@claudius-graebner.com](mailto:claudius@claudius-graebner.com)). For more general information about the EAEPE and its annual conference, please visit the [general conference homepage](#).

Submission deadline:  
April 5, 2024

Notification of acceptance:  
May 3, 2024

Full paper\* deadline:  
August 9 2024

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Abstracts must not be longer than **750 words** and should be submitted via the official EAEPE website:  
[https://eaepe.org/?page=events&side=annual\\_conference&sub=abstract\\_submission](https://eaepe.org/?page=events&side=annual_conference&sub=abstract_submission)

\*The full papers will be distributed to the discussants who will prepare a short co-presentation. They do not need to be finished papers, but should allow discussants to prepare a constructive co-presentation.