

## EUROPEAN SUMMER SCHOOL 2006

### "EFFICIENCY AND GROWTH IN THE AGRICULTURE OF TRANSITION ECONOMIES" (EGATE)

in Prague, Czech Republic  
July 31 – August 11, 2006

EGATE summer school is the first summer school of the Marie Curie Conferences and Training Courses series

#### *Modern Agriculture in Central and Eastern Europe: Tools for the Analysis and Management of Rural Change (MACE).*

#### **Objective**

EGATE aims to provide young scholars with an introduction to the essential concepts and methods of efficiency and productivity theory, such as Data Envelopment Analysis and Stochastic Frontier Analysis and to facilitate their empirical application through practical exercises. The two week programme consists of lectures by experienced researchers and presentations of the participants. Extensive time will be provided for discussions among participants.

#### **Call for Papers**

We invite interested young scholars to apply for participation in the Summer School. Applicants are requested to submit two-page abstracts presenting the applicants' theoretical as well as empirical work in the field of efficiency, productivity and economic growth measurement in the agriculture of transition economies. During EGATE, participants will present their concepts and state of research. Till September 30<sup>th</sup>, the participants should prepare a manuscript, which will be reviewed and placed on the MACE project website. The authors of the best manuscripts will be given the opportunity to participate in further conferences organised within the MACE project.

#### **Lecturers**

Bernhard Brümmer, Professor of Agricultural Markets, University of Göttingen, Germany  
Robert D. Weaver, Professor of Agricultural Economics, Pennsylvania State University, USA  
Jarmila Curtiss and Alexej Lissitsa, Senior Researchers, Leibniz-Institute of Agricultural Development in Central and Eastern Europe (IAMO), Germany

#### **Who Can Apply**

Young scientists in post-graduate or post-doctoral studies under 35 years of age from EU, associated, as well as third countries investigating the above-presented topics can apply. Young scientists from Central and Eastern European Countries are particularly encouraged. Financial support for travel and accommodation will be provided for limited number of applicants.

#### **Abstract Submission and Application**

The deadline for submission is May 15, 2006. Applicants will be notified two weeks after the deadline. A two-page abstract, curriculum vitae and list of publications, all in English, should be submitted to Zdena Cihelkova ([cihelkova@vuze.cz](mailto:cihelkova@vuze.cz)).

#### **Further Information**

For more information on this summer school, please view the Summer School website at: [www.iamo.de](http://www.iamo.de) (site will be posted soon) or contact the organising committee:

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