

CALL FOR PAPERS: GENDER AND GLOBAL ECONOMIC CRISIS

THE INTERNATIONAL WORKING GROUP ON GENDER, MACROECONOMICS AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS (GEM- IWG)

9th GEM- IWG International Conference
July 13-14, 2009

Co-organized by the [Gender Equality and the Economy Program](#), Levy Economics Institute of Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, New York

The current global crisis that has engulfed the world economy makes it more urgent than ever to continue the work of generating and sharing knowledge for the formulation of gender - equitable responses, including in the areas of macroeconomic and International trade policies and global finance. With this purpose in mind a conference is being organized to take place on **July 13-14, 2009**, immediately following the planned GEM 2-week intensive course (June 29-July 10, 2009) at Blithewood, Levy Economics Institute of Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, New York.

In addition to theoretical papers, we are seeking empirical contributions with regional and country-level emphasis; evaluation of government responses to this crisis and policy recommendations; comparisons of this crisis with previous ones and “lessons learned”. Though not exclusively, a special emphasis is encouraged on the intersection between gender, institutional arrangements, and policy space as follows:

- **Gender and Macroeconomic “Policy Space”:** How are national governments, international development organizations, and Bretton Woods Institutions responding to the crisis? What constitutes “sound macroeconomic policies” from a gender perspective?
- **Growth, Inequality, Development and Poverty:** What are the implications of the crisis for poverty, and gender and class inequalities especially in less developed countries?
- **Gender and International Trade:** How do changing trends in international trade and production affect pro-poor, gender equitable development?
- **Gender and Labor Dimensions of the Global Economic Crisis:** How is the crisis affecting paid formal and informal work in manufacturing; agriculture and food security; unpaid family and subsistence production work, unpaid care work ?
- **Gender and Migration:** How is the crisis affecting patterns of internal and international migration? What are the impacts on remittances ??
- **Gender, Finance and Investment:** What is the impact of the crisis on banking, credit, FDI, international financial flows, including ODA commitments ?
- **Agricultural Policy, Food Security and Sustainability of Livelihoods:** As women constitute the world’s majority of agricultural workers and food producers how is the crisis affecting their ability to sustain their economic activities? What is the impact of the crisis on food security?
- **Gender-Equitable Policy and Political Responses to the Economic Crisis;** What are the implications of the crisis for national development plans, MDGs and financing of development in specific country contexts ? What are the lessons learned and policy recommendations?

A selection of papers will be published as an edited volume.

Please submit a 500-word abstract to Rania Antonopoulos rania@levy.org and Nilufer Cagatay cagatay@economics.utah.edu by May 10, 2009. In your submissions, please include your name, institutional affiliation and address. (Please write Conference Paper Abstract in your subject line). Deadline for submission of final papers: June 15, 2009

Detailed information on the costs of participation, logistics, accommodations, and registration will be posted www.genderandmacro.org on April 25,2009;the final conference program will be available on June 15, 2009.