



The relationship between finance and growth is an evergreen in economic history, at least since the seminal work of Alexander Gerschenkron. In particular, the role of the financial sector for growth and development of emerging countries has been in the focus of quantitative and qualitative research. The purpose of the

10th Conference of the SEEMHN

“Financial development and economic growth in South-East Europe – a historical and comparative perspective”

is to gather scholars working on financial development (e.g. development of banks, central banks and financial markets) and economic development (e.g. growth and structural change) in Southeastern Europe to get new, challenging and exciting insights into the links between the financial sector and the real economy. Quantitative and qualitative research as well as national case studies and cross-country comparative work can be presented at this conference.

The conference is being organized by the Oesterreichische Nationalbank and the University of Vienna, Department of Economic and Social History. The conference will take place at the Oesterreichische Nationalbank, Vienna, on **October 1, 2015** and will be followed by a workshop on “The central bank balance sheet in a long-term perspective” on October 2 (see separate call for papers). Conference participants are invited to also attend the workshop.

Scholars interested in presenting new research at the conference are requested to send a one-page abstract and a short CV to seemhn2015@oenb.at by **June 14, 2015**. Accepted speakers will receive an invitation by June 26, 2015.

Selected papers of the conference will be published in a special issue of the *Financial History Review* (FHR) subject to fast-track review procedures. When submitting an abstract to the conference please indicate whether you would like to have your paper considered for the FHR. Papers submitted for the special issue shall be made available shortly after the conference.

Participants have to cover their costs of travel and accommodation.

It is also possible to attend the workshop as an observer only. If you wish to make use of this option we kindly request that you register your attendance, as the number of participants is limited.

We look forward to seeing you in Vienna,

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Further details: <http://www.oenb.at/en/Monetary-Policy/Research/conferences.html>