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1. INTRODUCTION – GENERAL INFORMATION

The international periodical trilingual (Estonian, German and English), peer-reviewed and cited scientific journal "Estonian discussions on economic policy / Estnische Gespräche über Wirtschaftspolitik / Eesti majanduspoliitilised väitlused" is published for the 33rd time.

The earlier publications on economic policy have been included in the DOAJ, EBSCO Discovery Service (EDS), EBSCO Central & Eastern European Academic Source, EBSCO

EssentialsTM (USA), EconBib, EBSCO, ECONIS, ESO, SCOPUS (USA, United Kingdom, Germany) and SSRN databases + US Congress Library.

Electronic publications of articles are assigned a **DOI** number.

The journal has – DOI: 10.15157/edep

The international cooperation partners are the following:

- Andrássy Gyula German Language University of Budapest (Hungary)
- Georgian Technical University, Tbilisi (Georgia)
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- Tbilisi State University (Georgia)
- Ternopil National Economic University (Ukraine)
- University of Greifswald (Federal Republic of Germany)
- Voronezh State University (Russia)

The publisher is also this time Mattimar OÜ (Estonia). **Two issues will be published:** 1/2025 (in June) and 2/2025 (in November).¹

2. PRE-REVIEWED SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

The authors are expected to submit by 10 February 2025:

- a short **abstract** (up to 12 lines in English)
- **keywords** (up to 3 lines English)
- JEL codes
- a **paper** (with the recommended volume of 12–20 pages) in German or English, and
- in addition a summary of 4–5 pages of the paper in another language
- the following information shall be provided in **footnotes** on the first page of the paper and the summary in another language: **name(s)**, **scientific degree**, **title of the author(s)**, **name and full address of the organisation**, **e-mail address**; **also briefly any other important information**, **if necessary**

NB! Formal requirements: see § 3 below.

¹ **NB!** If authors are able to submit papers of high standards before the deadlines (see sections, § 2, 5 and 6 of this newsletter), the organising committee of the journal will be ready to publish the journal also sooner.

NB! Papers can actually be sent/submitted to the secretary of the editorial board and the conference and discussed with the organising committee all the year round – it will be decided then in which issue they will be published and which presentations we can also include in the agenda of the conference, if appropriate and if requested by the authors! Publishing does not depend so much on the organising committee – it largely depends on the correctness, punctuality/speed of the authors and also on the activeness and thoroughness of the peer reviewers. *The objective is – to publish above all correct papers of high quality*. If necessary, issues 1 and 2 will also be published together, in the same volume. Somewhat exceptionally, four issues were published in 2019 (issues 1–2/2019 were published in June and due to the large number of papers, also issues 3–4/2019 at the end of the year). Also, in 2018, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 two issues were combined: 1–2/2018, 1–2/2020, 1–2/2021, 1–2/2022, 1–2/2023 and 1–2/2024. The examples may not be the last ones!

NB! In the **introduction** to the paper, the author(s) **shall** specifically:

- point out in what respect the paper and the subject treated are topical
- present the objective of the paper
- formulate and list all research tasks solved for the achievement of the objective of this paper

The papers submitted shall be sent to reviewers with a doctoral degree for international anonymous peer review. Suitable papers and their summaries in other languages, if their content conforms to the required standards, shall be published in the collection *Discussions on Estonian Economic Policy* which consists of two parts:

- 1) the papers shall be published on USB flash drive, which will be a part of the publication and inserted in the cover pocket of the printed publication;
- 2) summaries in other languages shall be included in the printed publication and will not be peer-reviewed scientific publications.

NB! Publishing of the collection *Estonian Discussions on Economic Policy* No 1/2025 has been planned for the first half of June 2025 and No 2/2025 has been planned for November, every author and all other interested persons will get a copy and it will also be distributed internationally.

The issue 1/2025 will include papers which will be ready for publishing (i.e. after peer review and all above-mentioned procedures/requirements) by 10 April 2025 at the latest, the remaining papers will be published in issue 2/2025.

It is recommended to focus on certain areas of economic policy in the papers, such as:

- 1. Entrepreneurship policy and corporate strategy
- 2. Environmental policy
- 3. Fiscal and monetary policy
- 4. Labour policy and income policy
- 5. Regional and local government policy
- 6. Sectoral economic policy (for different sectors of national economy)
- 7. Social policy
- 8. Other areas of economic policy (e.g. the economic crisis)

NB! Note for the authors: with the delivery of your paper you will grant to the publishers the right to publish your paper.

3. FORMAL REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMISSION OF ARTICLES, ABSTRACTS AND OTHER MATERIALS TO BE REVIEWED

Please send the papers to the address: Kadri Jõgi mattimar.kj@gmail.com:

- the recommended volume is 12–20 pages and for the summary in another language: 4–5 pages;
- only the author shall be responsible for the content of and correct spelling in the paper and its conformity with formal requirements;

Formal requirements for papers, summaries and other materials:

- Word document in A5 format (14.8 x 21 cm);
- Page format: *Top* 1.8 cm, *Bottom* 2 cm, *Inside* 2.5 cm, *Outside* 1.5 cm, *Header* 1.25 cm, *Footer* 1.25 cm:

- *Single*-spaced;
- Text font size 9 pt; page number size 9 pt;
- Footnotes 8 pt; text font size in tables not less than 8 pt;
- Font *Times New Roman*;
- Text should be *Justified* (from edge to edge);
- Figures and tables within the text, not on an additional page or file. For the drawings, use *Excel*, *Powerpoint* or other *Word* options under *Insert* > *Object*. Drawings should be in black text as printing in colour is not available. For *Excel* drawings do not use a grey background;
- The title of the article should be centred on the page in capital letters (*Bold*), followed by an empty line;
- Next, in sentence case the first name and surname (not in *Bold*), followed by the name of the organisation, and followed by an empty line;
- Text without indents, between paragraphs an empty line (9 pt), subheadings aligned left and in sentence case in *Bold*, an empty line between a subheading and the text:
- The page numbers start from the first page and are centred at the bottom of the page;
- Both the paper (**for USB flash drive**) and the summary in another language (published in paper collection) should end in conclusions;
- After the end of the text the heading References (in *Bold*, aligned left). All references numbered (after the number a full stop), authors in *Bold*;
- The heading of the summary after the paper in *Bold*, in sentence case as *Kokkuvõte*, *Zusammenfassung* or *Summary* depending on the language used for the summary and aligned left;
- Leave one empty line and write the title of the article in capital letters (in *Bold*), after that one empty line and in the centre in sentence case the first name and surname and under it in the centre the organisation, an empty line and then the text of the summary:
 - a) if the article is in German, a 4–5 page summary in English;
 - b) if the article is in English, a 4–5 page summary in German.
- References to publications should be within the text, after each text referred to, indicating in brackets the author (or the first word of the title, if no author), the year of the publication and the page number.
- If a summary is published in the printed collection, please indicate in a footnote (on the first page of the summary) that the paper is included in the USB flash drive of the publication.

Examples of formal requirements can be found in the publication *Estonian Discussions on Economic Policy* (e.g. at the address: www.mattimar.ee).

Earlier publications are also available at the same address.

4. ARTICLE SUBMISSION DEADLINES AND PUBLICATION FEES

- **4.1**. Article submission deadlines: **you can submit an article throughout the year.** (Please register your article (i. e. send the participation card, see Annex to this Information Letter). Article publication fees (excluding fees for bank charges) shall be as follows:
 - a) 400.- EUR (for each author of the article, not participating in the conference);

publication included in the fee for the author of the article; the cost of an additional publication (in print and on USB flash drive) is **EUR 60** if desired.

NB! After 10 February 2025: EUR 450.-

- Papers for a higher fee (EUR 450.-) can be submitted by 10.03.2025 at the latest; can be submitted also later but then the paper may be published in 2026, not in 2025.
- NB! The organisers will not guarantee the publishing in the June issue of 2025 of papers submitted after 10.02.2025 (but they will be published in November).

NB! NB! NB!

Please consider this measure as a compensation because the author(s) of the paper will have delayed also the publishing of papers of other authors and the procedure of publishing the journal!

The publication can be paid to the following account:

SEB PANK (SWIFT: EEUHEE2X), (2 Tornimäe Street, 15010, Tallinn, Estonia), IBAN: EE381010052037064002; Account holder: Mattimar OÜ (Reg. No: 10058667)

NB! If possible, we ask that this information letter be treated as an invoice, which is why the organizers generally do not submit a separate invoice.

NB!

As of June 1, 2022, SEB has stopped offering payment services in all currencies with Russia and Belarus.

NB! NB!

From September 15, 2023, an additional fee of 100 euros per payment has been established for payments made to or received from a country with a high risk of sanctions. (SEB Bank's letter dated 13.07.2023). The countries are as follows (13 countries):

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Jordan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Serbia, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, United Arab Emirates and Uzbekistan.

When paying the publication fee from these countries, please make the transfer to Swedbank's account (then \in 100 will not be lost, because SEB takes \in 100 as so-called handling fees for the mentioned countries):

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5. PARTIAL REFUNDS OF PUBLICATION FEES

In the event of rejection of an ARTICLE that does not meet the requirements, the author will be reimbursed 30% of the publication fee if he does not wish to supplement

the article or take the reviewer's comments into account (in this case, we ask the organizers to inform the organizers of the withdrawal no later than one month after the author is notified by the editors, or for some objective reason, inform the organizers of this withdrawal no later than by May 1, 2025).

6. FOR INFORMATION TO THE AUTHORS (in agreement and for information also for international databases)

Digital archiving policy of the publication Estonian Discussions on Economic Policy:

The publication Estonian Discussions on Economic Policy uses the digital archiving policy for the OJS journals LOCKSS and the publication is archived also in the DIGAR digital archive of the National Library of Estonia.

Peer review of papers has been announced:

- * on the web site of Mattimar OÜ (in the Information Leaflet posted in the Topical section on www.mattimar.ee), it is updated annually in October-November and is also sent by e-mail to all earlier authors; each paper is reviewed by 2–3 peer reviewers with doctoral degrees from Estonian universities and 1–2 reviewers from universities of foreign countries;
- * on Page 4 of each issue of the journal (review process for papers): Before publishing, the articles in this collection have been anonymously peer-reviewed by independent reviewers holding a doctor's degree.

Aims & Scope of the publication Estonian Discussions on Economic Policy:

The aim of the papers is to analyse and assess the current economic developments in the European Union and to draw conclusions from them from the aspects of economic policy and also concerning the main elements of the political order, if appropriate.

The publication covers topics on certain areas of economic policy, such as: entrepreneurship and corporate strategy, environmental policy, fiscal and monetary policy, labour and income, regional and local government policy, sectoral economic policy, social policy, Industry 4.0, and Green Cities etc.

Screening for plagiarism:

High-level screening for plagiarism is performed in Estonian universities, and as peer reviewers are members of the academic staff of universities, they are expected to perform and do perform screening for plagiarism.

Open Access statement of the publication Estonian Discussions on Economic Policy:

The journal adheres to the Budapest Open Access Initiative (BOAI) definition^[1] of 'open access' - users have the right to "read, download, copy, distribute, print, search, or link to the full texts of articles or use them for any other lawful purpose".

[1] http://www.budapestopenaccessinitiative.org/read

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On behalf of the organisers

Matti Raudjärv

University of Tartu (Emeritus-2021), Mattimar OÜ (Ltd); Tallinn University of Technology (Alumni-1974), DAAD (Alumni-1990)

Georgian Technical University (Visiting Professor) Tbilisi State University (Visiting Professor) Initiator and Chief Editor of publications

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The objective is – to publish above all correct papers of high quality.

We also ask you to introduce this newsletter to your colleagues!

☐ Paid to the current account of Mattimar OÜ

7. APPENDIX:

Article publication card
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