

CALL FOR PAPERS

Conference on Skills, Education and Labor Market Outcomes
University of Maryland, May 2-3, 2013

The Executive Committee of LACEA has approved the establishment of a new network focused on labor markets in Latin America, and in particular, the nexus of Employment, Productivity and Skills. Such a Network is envisaged as a way of way of sharing learning in the region, articulating new agendas for research, and creating consensus around necessary policy interventions.

The first conference of the network will be devoted to “Skills, Education and Labor Market Outcomes” and will be held at the University of Maryland on May 2nd and 3rd of 2013. The analysis of the interaction between skills (e.g., cognitive, socio-emotional), the schooling system and labor market has received recent attention in the literature. However, the identification of the actual channels driving these associations remains to be established.

Researchers are encouraged to submit papers providing a clear link between theory, evidence and practice. The main objective of the network is to draw conclusions that could influence the design and implementation of public policies.

Complete papers or advanced drafts in Word or PDF format should be sent by January 31, 2013 to lacealabor@fedesarrollo.org.co To allow time for a careful vetting of papers, this deadline is firm. Submitted papers will be reviewed by a program committee made of members of the Executive Committee of the Network and selection will be based on academic merit. Authors of the selected papers will be notified by e-mail. Every accepted paper will be included in the program and will have a discussant. We expect to communicate our decisions by March 1st, 2013.

The network will offer partial funding for travel expenses for those participants who are not able to obtain full financial support from their institutions or other sources. If authors require financial support, they should indicate it at the time of submission of the paper. In order to receive funding from the network, authors whose papers were accepted must be members of LACEA and current on their membership dues by the time of the meeting.

Inquiries concerning the meeting should be sent to lacealabor@fedesarrollo.org.co