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GGDC Newsletter

WIOD Conference: Industry-Level Analyses of Globalization and its Consequences, Vienna, May 26-28, 2010

This meeting not only aims at sharing recent news on data construction issues and plans to conduct analytical research with the dataset, but also at exchanging ideas with interested people external to the consortium. Therefore, the format of this meeting is a conference and participation is not restricted to WIOD-consortium members.

Confirmed keynote speakers are:

- Erik Dietzenbacher (Scientific coordinator WIOD)
- Mark de Haan (Chairman of the London Group for Environmental Accounting)
- Alejandro Jara (Deputy Director-General WTO)
- Dale Jorgenson (Professor of Economics at Harvard)
- Joyashree Roy (International Panel for Climate Change)
- Marcel Timmer (main responsible in charge of WIOD Database construction)

If you would be interested in attending, please contact Bart Los B.Los@rug.nl. Further information is available on the WIOD-website (www.wiod.org)

Research Memoranda

Since the last GGDC newsletter several new Research Memoranda have been published. A full list including the latest Research Memoranda is available on the website under the Publications header.

Robert H. McGuckin III Summer Fellowship in Economics, 2010

Please, see for announcement of at The Conference Board, New York:

<http://www.conference-board.org/economics/summerfellowship.cfm>. This position is for a Ph.D. student in economics who is interested in spending three months as a Research Fellow at The Conference Board's Economics Department in New York. The deadline for application has been extended to 1 May 2010.

Also is attached a complementary electronic copy of The Conference Board's Productivity Brief of January 2010. The Total Economy Database series are all available from the website <http://www.conference-board.org/economics/database.cfm>

Database Updates

Historical Statistics database

Angus Maddison has updated the Historical Statistics database. Population data for all countries in the world, including aggregates now includes data for 2009. GDP and GDP per capita series are now available up to 2008.

<http://www.GGDC.net/Maddison>

Total Economy Database

On 20 January 2010 The Conference Board released the latest update of the Total Economy Database. The database includes measures up to 2008, estimates for 2009 and projections for 2010. A new feature in the latest release is the introduction of measures of total factor productivity and other sources of output, such as capital and labor quality.

<http://www.ggdc.net/databases/ted.htm>

EU KLEMS database

The November 2009 release is an update of the March 2008 release and provides data up to 2007. The sources used for the update are from the National Accounts and obtained from National Statistical Institutes, Eurostat and EU KLEMS consortium partners. Data is provided in the standard industry classifications (so-called basic files), but also for special industry aggregations such as market versus non-market, goods versus services and ICT production (additional industry aggregations files). Also, detailed capital input files are downloadable. The next update is scheduled for November 2010.

<http://www.EUKLEMS.net>

Historical National Accounts database

A new addition has been made to the Historical National Accounts database. A world agricultural dataset detailing the growth of world agricultural production for the period 1800-1938 has been published on the GGDC website.

<http://www.ggdc.net/databases/hna.htm>

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