



Call for Papers

RARE VOICES IN ECONOMICS CONFERENCE

Women in Econ Léman*

Geneva, September 13-14, 2021

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

Prof. Emmanuelle Auriol (Toulouse School of Economics)

Prof. Estefania Santacreu-Vasut (ESSEC business school)

We are pleased to announce that the first **Women in Econ Léman Conference “Rare Voices in Economics”** will take place at the University of Geneva and the Graduate Institute Geneva on **September 13-14, 2021**.

We aim to provide a space where selected high-quality research presentations **from all fields** will be met with a challenging and benevolent audience, with a focus on fairly representing all the voices of our economics community.

We invite Ph.D. students in their third year or later and postdocs to submit a full paper **by May 27, 2021** via our [application form](#), also available on our [website](#). Applicants will receive a notification of acceptance **by early July 2021**. Travel and accommodations expenses of participants may be covered if needed. We aim to hold the conference in person, but we may have to revert to an online format pending the evolution of the pandemic situation. A prize for the best paper will be awarded at the end of the conference.

The conference will be followed by two events: a public roundtable about gender discrimination in our profession with an emphasis on possible solutions and an open and interdisciplinary discussion to reflect about the persistence of the gender gap. More details will follow. Please direct any questions to womenineconleman.conference@gmail.com.

The Organizers: Federica Braccioli (U Geneva) and Laura Nowzohour (Graduate Institute).

The Program Committee: Richard Baldwin (Graduate Institute), Kenza Benhima (U Lausanne), Julien Xavier Daubanes (U Geneva), Giacomo De Giorgi (U Geneva), Jaya Krishnakumar (U Geneva), Ugo Panizza (Graduate Institute), Michele Pellizzari (U Geneva), Cédric Tille (Graduate Institute), Lore Vandewalle (Graduate Institute), Martina Viarengo (Graduate Institute).

**Women in Econ Léman is a joint initiative by PhD students at the Graduate Institute, the University of Geneva, the University of Lausanne and EPFL with the aim to facilitate a broad conversation of how systemic gender biases affect us as a community of researchers and what we can do about it. During the first year, we organized monthly workshops in which we combined reading the literature on gender gaps in the economics professions (check out our [blog](#) and [reading lists](#)) with women in the profession sharing their experiences. This year, we aim to transform our learnings into tangible action to which this conference is meant to be a starting point. We wish to foster a discussion among the various members of our community on how we can best address the existing biases against women from various backgrounds in our circles.*