





# The 12th International Conference - ESPERA 2025

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The aim of the international conference "Economic Scientific Research - Theoretical, Empirical and Practical Approaches" - ESPERA, initiated in 2013 by the National Institute for Economic Research "Costin C. Kiriţescu" (NIER), is to present and evaluate the economic scientific research portfolio, to argue and substantiate the Romanian development strategies - including European and global best practices. The 2025 edition of the Conference will be held on 16th - 17th October, under the title: "Pivotal changes in the global landscape amid challenging conditions. Prospects for stronger resilience, potential disruptions and key governance policies".

The event program addresses a wide diversity of themes, bringing together researchers from all NIER institutes and centres, members of the Romanian Academy and also guests, from Romanian universities and from other countries, including master, PhD and post PhD students.

After the series of shocks in the previous years in 2025 the global landscape is changing under the pressure of trade tensions escalation following the tariff measures introduced by the new US administration bringing tariff rates to unprecedented levels pushing its trading partners to respond with proportioned countermeasures, resulting a negative shock to economic activity and global growth.

The governments around the world are striving to reorder priorities, to resettle the international trade channels and supply chains, to address domestic policy and structural imbalances in such a way to ensure their internal economic and financial stability and security.

Under these circumstances, in order to contain vulnerabilities and increase resilience in case of stress events, macroprudential tools should be activated while rebalancing growth-inflation trade-offs, preventing severe disruptions, implementing credible medium-term fiscal consolidation plans, rebuilding buffers, restoring fiscal space and putting public debt on a sustainable path. All these should be complemented by structural reforms concerning labour markets, production, financial markets that support economic, social an environment resilience which help also narrowing cross-countries disparities.

Researchers are encouraged to present papers of scientific research regarding, as much as possible, the topics presented above.

Even if many of the papers deal with these aspects from the perspective of the impact and relevance of the analyzed aspects from the point of view of the Romanian economy and society, through the significant number of foreign authors participating in each of its previous editions, the ESPERA International Conference has proven its worth to act as a conducive forum for debating, sharing of knowledge and good practices with representatives of the academic environment,





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researchers and teaching staff from other countries, both from the European Union and non-EU countries.

The International conference proceedings is dedicated mainly for professionals, researchers, decision makers, but also for all interested parties - academia, practitioners, PhD and post PhD students and a broader public audience - providing valuable knowledge about the world economy latest developments and its foreseeable evolvement, understanding transformational drivers of national economies and developing strategies, policies and tools adequate to the related reforms.

The Conference is intended as a thought-provoking exercise for researchers and it is organized in such a way as to provide a wide-ranging platform for debates, covering the broadest approaches, enabling an interactive exchange of ideas and the most recent scientific results and findings, including those emerged in economic science arising from both fundamental and empirical researches and promoting evidence-based policy making new vision under crisis circumstances.

The contributions and views that will be expressed, on a meritorious and wide-ranging level, will be disseminated, as in previous years, in a volume - Proceedings of the International Conference ESPERA 2025, that will be submitted to EBSCO and also for evaluation and inclusion in Conference Proceedings Citation Index by Clarivate, Web of Science.

The Conference includes an additional section dedicated to master, PhD and post PhD students, thus providing a conducive framework for scientific debate and their training.

The Conference will be held in a hybrid format (on site and online). The correspondence with the authors will take place using the email address: **espera@ince.ro**.







#### Conference parallel sessions

- 1. Romania's sustainable economic and social development. Models, scenarios, evaluations
- 2. Natural resources patrimony costs and benefits of its valorisation
- 3. Knowledge, innovation, smart development and human capital
- 4. Economy dynamics and structural changes for a competitive growth
- 5. European integration and globalisation new challenges
- 6. Economic instability and stabilisation policies
- 7. Development and improvement of economic and social forecasting tools
- 8. Food safety and security challenges for agriculture economic development
- 9. Assessment of economic-social and political experiences and thoughts
- 10. Contributions to the New Encyclopaedia of Romania
- 11. Quality of life and social policies evaluations
- 12. Demoeconomic cycles and transitions
- 13. Mountain areas sustainable development
- 14. Master, PhD and post PhD students debates
- 15. Business ethics and corporate social responsibility







#### Conference schedule

Abstract submission	15th September 2025
Notification of acceptance/rejection	10 <sup>th</sup> October 2025
International Conference	16 <sup>th</sup> October 2025 – Plenary Session 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2025 – Parallel Sessions
Paper Submissions	20th January 2026
Notification of: - acceptance; - acceptance with minor changes; - acceptance with major changes; - rejection.	20 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
Paper Submissions - final version after review	10 <sup>th</sup> March 2026

#### **Paper Submission**

Authors are invited to submit full text papers that report original unpublished research, which are not under consideration for publication elsewhere. For Romanian contributors, the Romanian language version of the paper is also required. The official languages of the conference are English and Romanian.

The **abstract** should be submitted until **15**<sup>th</sup> **September 2025**, to the following email address: <a href="mailto:espera@ince.ro">espera@ince.ro</a>. In the e-mail message accompanying the paper the author must submit the **registration of participation**, including:

Name and Surname of the author/authors:

Affiliation:

Paper title:

**Conference section:** 

Contact address (for corresponding author):

The final paper should be submitted until **20**<sup>th</sup> January **2026**, according to the ESPERA 2025 Conference paper Template and following the Guide for Authors recommendations available on the International Conference ESPERA website www.conferinte-ince.ro.







## **Publication of papers**

All the submitted papers will go through a double-blind review process, with the help of the Conference Scientific Committee.

The most valuable papers will be published in an Open Access volume - Proceedings of the International Conference ESPERA 2025, that will be submitted to EBSCO and also for evaluation and inclusion in Conference Proceedings Citation Index by Clarivate, Web of Science.

For the editions ESPERA 2013 and 2014, after the evaluation, the most valuable 100 papers were selected for the Proceedings of the International Conference ESPERA, published on-line by Elsevier in "Procedia Economics and Finance" (vol. 8/2014 and vol. 22/2015); for the editions ESPERA 2015-2019, the most valuable papers were published at Peter Lang International Academic Publishing Group; for ESPERA 2020 the papers were published by Sciendo De Gruyter; for ESPERA 2021, 2022, 2023 the papers were published at Springer and for ESPERA 2024 most valuable papers are now in the final stage of evaluation at Springer and will be submitted to EBSCO and also for evaluation and inclusion in Conference Proceedings Citation Index by Clarivate, Web of Science.





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