

## **Centreal European Conference in Finance and Economics CEFE 2018 – International Conference of the Faculty of Economics of Technical University of Košice**

The third year of the international scientific conference named CEFE 2018 was held from 4th to 5th September 2018 at the premises of the TUKE classroom and training facility in Herľany under the supervision of the Dean of the Faculty of Economics of the Technical University of Košice assoc. prof. Ing. Michal Šoltés, PhD.

The conference was an interesting meeting of academics, practitioners, researchers and many experts in fields of finance, economics and regional politics. Interesting discussion forums were held during the conference to present the scientific results of each participant's activity in four thematic areas with an aim of to inspire, to inform and to activate. The space was also provided for the APVV and VEGA research projects, where the participants shared a wide range of their own experiences and practical and theoretical knowledge.



The CEFE 2018 conference, managed by the organisational team led by assoc. prof. Ing. Alena Andrejovska, PhD., was attended in a total of 85 domestic and foreign participants from the Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary, Lithuania, Germany and Ukraine. On 4th September 2018, the vicedean of the Faculty of Economics assoc. prof. Ing. Marianna Siničáková, PhD. welcomed guests and also launched the plenary session. The attending performances were granted to assoc. prof. Ing. Ľuboš Buzna, PhD. with lecture Fair distribution of limited resources in networks, further prof. Ing. Ján Pokrivčák, PhD. with lecture Food safety in the countries of Central and Eastern Europe and univ. prof. i. R. Dipl. Ing. Dr. Mikuláš Luptačik with lecture Digitalization and Industry 4.0: Will we have a lot of work? The invited guest performances were very interesting and outlined the issues we are currently experiencing in the both fields – scientific and professional.



In the four thematic sections the following topics were discussed: Finance and Investment, Economic Issues and Public Finances, Enterprise, Entrepreneurship and Start-ups, and special topics of the CEFE 2018 conference Taxes and Taxation in the Context of Globalisation. The conference offered space for presentations of the two scientific projects, namely the APVV project Theoretical Economic Model for Future Real Time Spectrum Markets, led by prof. Ing. Vladimír Gazda, PhD. and the VEGA project Measuring and Reporting Intangible Assets under supervision of assoc. prof. Ing. Jozef Glova, PhD. in the form of a workshop.

As a part of the CEFE 2018 conference, the Young Scientist Competition section was also part of the CEFE 2018 conference for the PhD. students. Young scientists have exchanged their knowledge, experiences and ideas for future research in their area at their own universities each other. At the same time, the competition section offered the PhD. students a special chance to receive a cash prize for the three best contributions. The evaluation committee, composed of five members under supervision of the chairman prof. Ing. Vladimír Gazda, PhD., evaluated the competing contributions of the PhD. students according to the predetermined evaluation criteria and awarded the awards. The first place was taken by a team of the authors led by Ing. Michal Mešťan (Faculty of Economics, UMB), the second place was occupied by Ing. Vladimíra Adamkovičová (Faculty of Economics, TUKE) and the third place by Ing. Zuzana Čarnogurská (Faculty of Economics, TUKE). The awarded papers were ceremoniously evaluated by the vicedean of the Faculty of Economics, assoc. prof. Ing. Marianna Siničáková, PhD. after the end of the conference sections. We congratulate the winners once again.



A social evening, which amused participants and brought unforgettable experiences in the form of tasty food, social programme and cimbalom music, which was provided by the Muzikanci Raslavicke band this year, was also part of the September international conference. The atmosphere of a pleasant evening was held until the late night and its part was an eruption of the Herľany Geyser at 2:20 too. Domestic as well as foreign participants, therefore, did not feel a lack of this unforgettable experience this year.



The conference, as in the other years, has exceeded expectations and met the main goals in the form of an inspiration for new economic challenges and ways of addressing them, an information about new social trends and activities for the development of scientific cooperation and mutual support.

We believe that the next edition of the CEFE conference organised by the Faculty of Economics of the Technical University of Košice will be as successful as 2018.

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