



First Call for Papers
61st New Zealand Association of Economists Annual Conference
To be held at Victoria University of Wellington
June 30th to July 2nd 2020 (Tue, Wed, Thurs)

The New Zealand Association of Economists is pleased to announce the First Call for Papers for its 61st Annual Conference. Abstracts can be submitted [here](#).

Please submit an abstract of not more than 250 words of your paper for either an oral presentation or the poster session. Full papers are not required at this stage, but for a paper to be considered eligible for the *Statistics New Zealand*, *New Zealand Economic Policy*, *Seamus Hogan*, *David Teece* or *Stata* prizes, a full paper must be submitted by Wednesday 10th June.

We encourage individuals to present their research in the poster session. Some research is particularly suited to the visual style of a poster presentation; it can also be suitable for work in progress, speculative research, and student research.

You are welcome to submit up to three papers. If we are only able to accept one of the submissions, we will contact you to ask which paper you prefer to present. This limit applies to the number of papers *presented* by any one person, and not to the number of papers on which he or she is a co-author.

Please note that **presenters** whose papers are accepted for an oral or poster presentation **MUST REGISTER for the Conference by 13th MAY** to remain on the programme. Registration fee is non-refundable after this date.

Important dates:

20th Feb (Thu)	Abstract portal opens
26th March (Thu)	Conference registration opens
2nd April (Thu)	Abstracts due
by 22 April (Wed)	Notification of acceptances
13th May (Wed)	Registration deadline for presenters
13th May (Wed)	Deadline for Early-Bird Registrations
10th June (Wed)	Full papers due (entries for SNZ, NZEP, SH, DT, Stata, prizes)

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NZAE PhD Student Workshop, Monday 29th June, 2020

The New Zealand Association of Economists is pleased to invite you to the 4th PhD Student Workshop in Economics. At this workshop, PhD students have the opportunity to present their work in progress in a friendly environment and receive feedback from academics and peers. In doing so, students will meet members of the broader New Zealand Economics community. As well as networking with other PhD students, there may also be the opportunity to meet senior Economists and discuss career options with a postgraduate degree.

Students will not be able to present the same workshop paper in an oral session at the NZAE conference which takes place later that week. However, they will be strongly encouraged to present their workshop paper concurrently as a poster in the main conference – and present a revised version in an oral session in subsequent years.

For whom: PhD students in Economics who are either New Zealand-based or are New Zealand students studying abroad. Preference will be given to PhD students in the first two years of their studies who register for the NZAE conference.

When: Monday, June 29th, 2020

Where: Motu (Level 1, 97 Cuba Street)

How to submit: Please email an abstract of not more than 250 words to Andrea Menclova (andrea.menclova@canterbury.ac.nz) by **Thursday, April 2nd**. Abstracts will be reviewed by a programme committee and authors notified of acceptances by Wednesday, April 22nd. Presenters will have the option of submitting full papers up to a week prior to the workshop (i.e., by Monday, June 22nd); all papers received will be circulated to participants, enabling a greater range of comments to the presenter at the workshop.

Registration for the workshop is free.

Stata Prize for Excellence in Graphics Communications

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The Stata Prize for Excellence in Graphics Communications will be awarded to the written paper that is deemed to make the best use of graphs for data visualization or communication of research findings using graphics. The papers will be judged by leading empirical researchers in economics.

Conditions of Entry

- Paper submission must meet all of the deadlines for abstract and full paper submission in order to remain eligible.
- When submitting the abstract also select entry into this competition through the conference website
- Entrants must be able to attend and present their paper at the NZAE Conference. The presentation may be either an Oral Presentation or Poster Presentation.
- The paper must involve the use of data and at least one graph. There is no requirement for entrants to use Stata (as opposed to another statistical software).

It is the written paper that will be judged based on the following criteria:

- I. Clarity of presentation and communication of research findings using graphics
- II. Clarity of research question and suitability of data used
- III. Quality of economic analysis

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- An annual Stata MP2 licence or upgrade (if the winner already holds a Stata licence)
- Credit for books, redeemed with Survey Design and Analysis Services
- Small cash prize
- Free registration to the next Stata Conference in Australia or New Zealand, with reserved slot on program to present the winning paper

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