

DEPARTMENT NEWS

External Evaluation of the Department of Economic Science

The External Evaluation of the Department of Economic Science was undertaken by ADIP (the HELLENIC QUALITY ASSURANCE AND ACCREDITATION AGENCY) from 27th to 31st of May 2013. The evaluation was conducted by Professors Christos Ioannidis (University of Bath, UK), Professor Yannis Ioannidis (Tufts University, USA) and Professor Aris Spanos (Virginia Tech, USA). The evaluators confirmed the very high standing of the Department in research as well as in teaching at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels. The Evaluation Report concludes as follows:

"It is our view that:

This is the best Economics Department in Greece, in terms of quality and volume of research output, international reputation and PhD training.

The level and quality of U/G teaching is of excellent international standards and quality of their U/G students is internationally recognized.

It has the vision and the willingness to establish themselves amongst the excellent European departments.

They face some serious challenges and constraints and along with the University they demonstrate the attitude and the leadership to overcome them".

The Department welcomes back Professor Plutarchos Sakellaris

Professor Plutarchos Sakellaris who has been Vice-President of the European Investment Bank (EIB) from 2008 – 2012 and Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers at the Hellenic Ministry of Economy and Finance from 2004 – 2008, has returned to his full-time position in the Department in September 2012.

Professors Nikos Vettas and Elias Tzavalis were elected members of the AUEB Council

In the elections for internal members to the AUEB Council in November 2012, Professors Nikos Vettas and Elias Tzavalis were elected in the first and second position respectively. The Department congratulates both of them and wishes them all success in their new duties.

Altium Training CFA Level I Scholarship

The "Altium Training CFA Level I Scholarship" will be offered from the academic year 2012 – 2013 to one of the graduating students or recent graduates of the Department of Economics. The first scholarship covers the full tuition of Level I of the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) program at Altium Training for the November 2012 to April 2013 period (exams of June 2013). The scholarship is valid for students who would otherwise cover the tuition fees themselves.