American Law and Economics Association

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2020 Annual Meeting

Thursday and Friday, May 21-22, 2020
The University of Chicago Law School
(at the University of Chicago's downtown Gleacher Center)

CALL FOR PAPERS

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: January 16, 2020

The American Law and Economics Association solicits submissions of papers for our 2020 annual meeting, hosted by the University of Chicago Law School. Please note that the conference will be held on a Thursday and Friday, and will take place at the University's Gleacher Center in downtown Chicago.

To submit a paper for consideration, please click

https://editorialexpress.com/cgi-bin/conference/conference.cgi?action=login&db_name=ALEA2020

Choose the "Submit Papers" link on the left-hand side of the screen.

Here are the ground rules for submission:

- **Number of submissions:** You can submit no more than 2 papers.
- **Number of Conference presentations:** No person may present more than once during the conference. If you have two papers accepted, you may present one, but if the paper is co-authored, your co-author could present the second paper. **There is a limit of two papers per author appearing on the program (with at least one of them presented by a co-author).**
- **Topic area:** The topic areas have been simplified. Please consult the new list of Areas before submitting.
- **When submitting, you will be asked whether the paper** is empirical, experimental, or theoretical; what Area the paper is submitted to (a second choice is also requested); whether and where the paper has been presented previously; and whether the paper is already slated for publication.

Please note that a paper must be (i) unpublished at the time of submission; (ii) expected to remain unpublished at the time of the conference; and, (iii) if accepted for publication by the time of the conference acceptance decision, early enough in the publication process so that comments at the conference can be reflected in a subsequent draft. If the paper is being submitted to a peer-reviewed journal where revisions are not possible after acceptance, the paper should not have been accepted at the time of submission.

- **Membership: <u>Although you can submit a paper without paying ALEA dues, your paper will not be considered until you pay the dues</u>.**

- **Commitment to attend:** Submission of a paper comes with a personal commitment to attend the meeting and present the paper at any time during the (Thursday-Friday) meeting should it be selected for the program (in the absence of extenuating circumstances). If you are unable to present at a certain time or date please indicate this in the "Submitters Comments" section on the submission site.

- **Decision letters:** The ALEA Program Committee will send decision letters in mid- to late-March 2020.

Note on membership: To become an ALEA member or renew your membership for 2020 ($70; $30 for students), go to www.amlecon.org. To see if you have paid your dues, please

- select the "Membership Services" link; (ii) "click here" where indicated to enter the membership registration section; (iii) enter your email address (name is optional); and

- click on your user name. You will see your membership status at the bottom of the page (including the "paid through" date). Please do not email ALEA asking if you have paid your dues, unless you really need to do so.

Topic areas: There are 15 topic areas for submission. For each topic area, at least two Area Organizers will provide expertise in evaluating submissions. They will review the papers and recommend session panels to the Program Committee, which has ultimate responsibility for constructing the program. Papers authored by Area Organizers or members of the Program Committee (other than the chair, who is not allowed to submit) will be evaluated anonymously by subject matter experts selected by the Program Committee chair. All Area Organizers will be able (and are encouraged) to recommend to the Program Committee re-assignments of papers they feel would be better considered in another area, but this process is improved by responding to the request for a second appropriate Area, if applicable.

The topic areas are:

1. Administrative Law

2. Antitrust

3. Commercial Law and Contracts

4. Comparative and International Law

5. Constitutional Law and Public Choice

6. Corporate Law, Finance, and Securities
7. Creditors and Borrowers
8. Criminal Law and Law Enforcement
9. Employment Law, Labor Law, and Family Law
10. Inequality, Public Finance, and Tax Law
11. Intellectual Property
12. Judicial Behavior and Legal Profession
13. Litigation
14. Property and Environmental Law
15. Torts, Health Law, and Insurance Law

Note on Hotels: ALEA will be posting a list of hotels close to the Gleacher Center in downtown Chicago on our website shortly. We recommend early reservations. We are not planning any special rates, because these have proved costly in as much as they require various guarantees, and because participants have migrated to their favorite hotels and Air BnBs.