This Newsletter gives summary information of the activities undertaken by ESHET in 2012. It is an invitation to members and non-members of ESHET to get better acquainted with the main actions directly promoted by this academic society, aiming at both the development of the history of economic thought as a field of study and the enhancement of a community of scholars interested in sharing the outcome of their research with a wider audience.

WEBSITE

The ESHET website has been substantially improved in 2012, with new sections and with regular updating of news and announcements. The historical record of ESHET activities and documents related to its internal organization are now easily available to ESHET members in the section “about ESHET”. New sections featuring discussions on HET courses, guides to thesis writing and lists of recent publications authored by ESHET members have been recently added. Information on past conferences, awards granted and honorary members are also accessible to members and non-members. The website provides information on forthcoming conferences, workshops and seminars and keeps the record of HET events organized or sponsored by ESHET since 2006. It also contains a section entirely devoted to the young scholars, listing various initiatives and supports available.

2012 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The 2012 ESHET Annual Conference was held in Saint Petersburg, Russia, on 17-19 May. The theme of the conference was “Institutions and values in Economic Thought”. The conference was organized by the Leontief Centre, Saint Petersburg State University of Economics and Finance, and Saint Petersburg State University. The conference was attended by 212 participants with papers presented in 61 parallel sessions. The keynote speakers were Geoff Hodgson, “Come Back Marshall, All is Forgiven: Complexity, Evolution, Mathematics and Marshallian Exceptionalism”, and Victor Polterovitch, “Institutional Reform Design”. The other plenary sessions included the Presidential Address by Annalisa Rosselli, “Economic History and History of Economics: in Praise of an Old Relationship”, and the Blanqui Lecture by Simon Cook, “Nation and Race in Alfred Marshall’s Histories”.

A special issue of The European Journal of the History of Economic Thought (EJHET, Vol. 20:6, December 2013) will feature a selection of papers presented at this conference, subject to the usual process of peer review. The guest editors of this special issue are Gilbert Faccarello, Harald Hagemann, Danila Raskov and Amos Witztum.

The 2013 ESHET Annual Conference will be held at Kingston University, London, UK http://www.eshet.net/conference/index.php?p=38
2012 AWARDS

The recipients of the ESHET 2012 awards were:

- **Young Scholar:** Michaël Assous (University of Paris 1 and GREDEG, CNRS)
- **Gilles Dostaler award:** Mario Cedrini (University of Torino, Italy)
- **Honorary member:** Odd Langholm

*Further information on awards justifications and recipients in previous years is available at the ESHET website.*

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

One of the aims of ESHET is to promote the establishment of links with national economic societies and organizations for the history of economic thought in Europe and outside Europe. In 2012 ESHET members have actively contributed to HET activities in their own countries and national societies. ESHET has been directly engaged in the joint organization of conferences with Latin American and Japanese societies and associations, as listed below.

- **Buenos Aires, 21-22 November 2012** - *Core and Periphery Countries: Lessons from Economic History and the History of Economic Thought*. A selection of the 58 papers presented at this conference will be included in a volume to be edited by Alessandro Fiorito and Hans-Michael Trautwein.
- **Corte, University of Corsica, 12-15 September 2012** – 3rd joint meeting of ESHET and JSHET (Japanese Society for the History of Economic Thought) on *Crises and Space in the History of Economic Thought*.

YOUNG SCHOLARS GRANTS

Several initiatives in favour of young scholars, aiming at the increase of their participation in international conferences and seminars, have been sponsored by ESHET in 2012, namely:

- Young scholars sessions at the 2012 ESHET Conference in Saint Petersburg (6 grants).

NEW BOOKS BY ESHET MEMBERS

This year’s ESHET General Assembly will feature a video display of new books published by ESHET members, and it is our intention to make this an annual practice. If you have published (or will have published) a book in the history of economics between January 2012 and May 2013 and would like to have your book included in this display, please send the following information to Steven Medema (steven.medema@ucdenver.edu) by April 15 2013: name and affiliation of author(s), book title, publisher, a digital image of the book’s cover, and a brief (3 or 4 lines) summary of the book’s contents. The digital cover image should be obtained from the publisher or copied from the publisher’s website, and the publisher’s catalog/website description of the book would serve well as the requested brief summary.

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