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"How Do Institutions Determine Economic Growth: Evidence from the CEE Countries Before and During the Global Economic Crisis"

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The main goal of the paper is to investigate how the institutions influence on economic growth and economic performance of the CEE countries, before and during the global economic crisis. We use principal factor component analysis in order to create a more reliable and representative variable that will measure the institutional capacity in our regression models, and to avoid the multi colinearity, a common statistical weakness of this type of regression model. The results from panel (random and fixed effects) regressions and a GMM dynamic panel regression lead to two contrasting insights. The first regression model shows positive and statistically significant correlation between institutions and economic growth, which would imply that the CEE countries that have created a strong institutional capacity during transition and post-transition period have experienced higher economic growth.

On the other side, the estimated results refer to the global economic crisis period, shows a negative influence of institutions on economic growth for the same sample of countries. One explanation for this result might be the fact that countries with a higher degree of integration into the EU were also more vulnerable to the global economic crisis.

"Employment Drivers in Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises in Poland"

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The paper encapsulates empirical research on factors driving employment in small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in Poland. A linear econometric model has been constructed whereby the workforce employed in SMEs (expressed as a percentage of the total number of the working population) has been used as a dependent variable. The quality of the model's results is high, in particular, it may be interpreted as an econometric record of a long-term co-integrating relationship. Further to the research, a hypothesis has

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been set whereby an increase in employment within this group of enterprises is affected by an increase in the index of monetary freedom and reduction of budget deficit. An analysis of alternative models has also performed demonstrating that an increase in the index of fiscal freedom and a decrease in public debt tends to boost employment in the SME sector as a proportion of the population employed. Intriguing conclusions have been drawn from the analysis of an alternative model under which a strongly correlated unemployment rate has been used as a dependent variable instead of the ratio of budget deficit to the GDP. Consequently, if the unemployment rate increases, the number of people employed in SMEs as a proportion of the employed population appears to grow as well.

"Devaluation of Yuan - Chinese Currency"

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This paper talks about the recent devaluation of the Chinese Yuan and its impact upon the Indian economy. Since second world war in 1939 when perforce Chinese economy was thrown open to the world after dethroning of the Dowager Empire, the Chinese dragon has emerged as the most powerful Communist Force in the Southeast Asian economy. This paper explores the impact of the cheaper Chinese exports on Balance and Payment of Indian economy. It discusses the various reasons for the slump in the markets because of the devaluation of yuan. In the wake of the rapid industrialization that took place in 1991, the Indian economy has emerged very very resilient and insulated to all kinds of global shocks. This paper discusses the emergence of the new arbitrage opportunities and its impact upon on the Indian economy.

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