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European Association of Law and Economics
C/O Eric Langlais
General Secretary

RE: University of Chicago Law and Economics Lecture Series (Paris), and Summer Institute for Law and Economics (Chicago)

Dear Colleague:

I am writing to share two upcoming events hosted by the Coase-Sandor Institute and the University of Chicago Law School, which I hope might interest you. One is the University of Chicago Law and Economics Lecture Series, June 25-29, 2018, in Paris. The other is the annual Summer Institute for Law and Economics, July 9-20, 2018, in Chicago. Let me briefly describe each—in the hope that you kindly pass along information about both programs to your colleagues and to researchers in your community who might be interested.

The first event is a new, week-long intense workshop on the Law and Economics of Consumer Markets, to be held at The University of Chicago Center in Paris on June 25-29, 2018. This is an advanced lecture series led by five members of The University of Chicago faculty, focusing on some of the biggest challenges in the regulation of consumer markets. The themes include platforms and competition, methods of consumer protection, personalization and privacy, behaviorally informed regulation, and redistributive policies. The workshop is intended for active academics and researchers working in the field—junior faculty, post-docs, and advanced PhD students. There will also be special events and there may even be some opportunity for participants to present their own work.

The second event is Coase-Sandor’s annual international Summer Institute in Law and Economics, to be held at The University of Chicago Law School on July 9-20, 2018. Intended for faculty, advanced legal and social science scholars, policymakers and judges, this two-week event (now in its seventh year) helps participants develop and improve their command in the cutting edge methods of law-and-economics. The Summer Institute program includes four courses, each consisting of five 2-hour, interactive sessions. Each year focuses on a different organizing theme, and the theme of the 2018 program is Public Law. The course titles and faculty teachers can be found in the enclosed materials.
One of the great values of these two programs, beyond the substantive exposure to new and exciting ideas in law and economics, is the expansion of a global network of scholars and the creation of long-term ties between the participating scholars and the Chicago faculty. Our past participants have proceeded to organize conferences on economic analysis of topics relevant to their legal systems, and have collaborated with the Coase-Sandor Institute in advancing common research interests.

I am writing to seek your help in passing along the information about these two events to anyone who might be interested in attending. The Paris workshop, in particular, would benefit from the participation of the brightest up and coming European scholars in the field.

If you have questions or suggestions, if you’d like to recommend any specific applicant, or if you have further ideas to share, please contact me, or the administrative Director of the Coase-Sandor Institute, Ms. Curtrice Scott.

Yours,

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