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Agricultural Land Markets – Recent Developments and Determinants

Call for papers

Land is a crucial production factor in agriculture. In developed countries this input factor is usually in short supply and its overall availability shrinks permanently. On the contrary, the increasing demand of growing farms and more recently of non-agricultural investors causes price pressure on the land market. Thus, it is not surprising that land prices increased in recent years. Though the analysis of land markets is a core topic in agricultural economics, many questions are still unanswered. For example, do land prices reflect the price boom for agricultural commodities and bio-energy? Can land prices be fully explained by fundamental factors or are they also driven by speculative bubbles? What is the role of non-agricultural investors? Should land markets be regulated and if so, what are the most efficient instruments?

Against this background the special issue aims at understanding the recent developments on land markets, particularly in Germany and the EU. The focus will be on quantitative modelling and empirical (econometric) analyses.

Topics

- Land valuation and pricing
- Relation between rental and sales prices
- Land price boom: role of investors
- Regulation of land markets
- Land markets and structural change

Submission procedure

The submission follows a two-step procedure: A pre-selection will be carried out on the basis of abstracts (maximum 2 pages). Authors of most promising abstracts will be invited to submit full papers which undergo the usual double-blind review process of the GJAE. Papers that pass the review process and cannot be fitted into the special issue will be published in a regular issue of the GJAE. Please submit abstracts as a pdf electronically and the full papers to Gabriele Würth (gabriele.wuerth@agrار.hu-berlin.de). For the full paper submission please follow the “Instruction for Authors” of the GJAE (<http://www.gjae-online.de/hinweisfuerautoren/>).

Deadlines

Submission of abstracts: March 13, 2012
Notification of abstract acceptance: March 26, 2012
Submission of full papers for review: June 30, 2012

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