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# **Rural Cooperation in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Lessons from the Past, Pathways to the Future**

## **An International Workshop**

**Rehovot, Israel, June 15-17, 2009**

### **ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS**

The Department of Agricultural Economics and Management of the Hebrew University will host an international workshop on "Rural Cooperation in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Lessons from the Past, Pathways to the Future". The workshop will take place on the campus of the Robert H. Smith Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Environment in Rehovot, Israel, during June 15-17, 2009. The organizers are Professor Ayal Kimhi (The Hebrew University) and Professor Richard J. Sexton (University of California, Davis).

The program of the workshop will include both invited and selected presentations. We solicit papers related to all aspects of rural cooperation, and particularly encourage papers in one of the following themes: Traditional and non-traditional organizational forms of rural cooperatives; Changes in the rural environment and the cooperative response; The role of cooperatives in rural community development; Structural changes in agricultural marketing cooperatives; Cooperative relationships, partnerships and networks; Social and economic performance of cooperatives.

If you are interested in presenting a paper at this workshop, please submit electronically an extended abstract or a complete paper, before December 31, 2008, to [jrc@agri.huji.ac.il](mailto:jrc@agri.huji.ac.il). Preference will be given to those submitting complete papers.

We expect to be able to offer a modest travel subsidy to young participants. If you wish to be considered for a travel subsidy, please enclose a short CV and a list of publications with your submission. Graduate students and post-docs should also enclose a letter of support from their supervisor.

Selected papers from the workshop will be included in a special issue of the *Journal of Rural Cooperation*. If you wish your paper to be considered for publication in *JRC*, please indicate that in your submission message.

Further information will be posted as it becomes available at the workshop's web site: <http://departments.agri.huji.ac.il/economics/coop-workshop.html>.

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