

**The 45th Meeting of
The Association of Private Enterprise Education®
April 11-13, 2021**

THE THREAT OF THE 21ST CENTURY POPULISM

The Association of Private Enterprise Education® (APEE) invites paper submissions and session proposals for its 45th Meeting, which will take place April 11-13, 2021 at The Westin Fort Lauderdale Beach Resort in Fort Lauderdale, FL.

The Association is composed of scholars from economics and other academic disciplines, as well as policy analysts, business executives, and other educators. The APEE Meeting explores topics related to private enterprise with research presentations focused on fields including, but not limited to, applied microeconomics, Austrian economics, public choice, new institutional economics, economics of regulation, and political economy, as well as economic education and instructional techniques. The submission fee for the Association's journal, *The Journal of Private Enterprise*, is waived for papers presented at the APEE Meeting.

APEE welcomes paper submissions and session proposals related to the theme of the 45th Meeting:

The Threat of the 21st Century Populism

Countries in Latin America and Europe have seen a rise of populist governments. Populist rhetoric has been increasing in the United States as well. This meeting seeks to understand the phenomena of the 21st century populism. What are the main *similarities* and *differences* between the old populism and the 21st century version? What are the main threats to economic and civil liberties that arise from populism? How do institutions impact the emergence and advancement of populist governments? What lessons can be learned from the return of populism? Can a democracy be shielded against populism or is this a latent threat inherent to a democratic government?

With the cancellation of the 2020 meeting due to the COVID-19 pandemic, APEE also welcomes paper submissions and session proposals on the theme of the 2020 meeting, ***Next Generation Socialism: Where are We Heading?***

Paper submissions and session proposals examining how government policies adopted in response to the COVID-19 pandemic either have impacted or may impact economic and civil liberties are also welcome.

Paper submissions and session proposals on these themes might address:

- What are the similarities and differences between the new and old populism?
- What events explain the rise of the 21st century populism?
- Does open immigration facilitate the rise of populism?
- Is the 21st century populism a backlash against globalization?
- What particular institutions can limit the rise of authoritarian-populist leaders?
- What do people understand by "socialism" and/or "democratic socialism"?
- How has the COVID-19 pandemic impacted economic freedom, now and into the future?
- How do the policy responses to the COVID-19 pandemic compare with previous pandemic outbreaks?

Accordingly, the theme invites the interdisciplinary approach that characterizes the APEE Meeting. APEE also welcomes papers on any topic in the broad area of private enterprise.

Those wishing to submit papers should submit the entire paper or a 600-word abstract. **Papers and abstract should be submitted online here: [Submit a Paper](#).**

Those wishing to submit a session proposal should submit the proposal to the attention of APEE Vice President and 45th Meeting Program Chair, **Nicolás Cachanosky**, at apee2021@msudenver.edu.

The deadline for paper submissions and session proposals is Friday, January 15, 2021.

Interested individuals, who experience difficulty with the online submission process or are seeking more information about the 45th Meeting, may contact the office of APEE Secretary/Treasurer, Benjamin Powell, at apee@ttu.edu or (806) 742-7138 for assistance. To learn more about APEE, please visit <http://www.apee.org>.