

Report of the editors of JEEA 2014

Editorial Team

The 2014 editorial board includes Dirk Bergemann (Yale University), Nicola Gennaioli (Università Bocconi, Milano), Claudio Michelacci (EIEF, Rome), M. Daniele Paserman (Boston University) and Fabrizio Zilibotti (University of Zurich). Dirk Bergemann and Fabrizio Zilibotti ended their editorial term on December 31st, 2014. They have been replaced by Dirk Krueger (University of Pennsylvania) and Juuso Välimäki (Aalto School of Economics).

Submissions and decisions in 2014 (TABLE 1)

A total 780 new submissions were received in 2014, compared with 689 in 2013, 635 in 2012 and 631 in 2011. This is in line with the positive trend observed since 2009. This trend has accelerated in the first half of 2015, when we received 412 new submissions, compared with 362 submissions in the first half of 2014. If the current submission flow remains stable, we expect to receive over 800 submissions in 2015.

The editorial board took 765 final decisions in 2014. The number of decision is higher than the 2013 figure (677), which was itself a record high for JEEA. In 2009, for comparison, the editorial board took 448 final decisions, respectively. The number of decisions is in line with the flow of new submissions.

A total of 47 papers were accepted, including the lectures delivered at the EEA Congress and at the ASSA meeting. JEEA has, approximately, a 6.1% acceptance rate (defined as the number of acceptances over the final decisions). This is in line with the long run target of publishing 40 papers per year.

Decision lags and Editorial Policy

JEEA keeps offering an efficient editorial process, as shown in Table 2. As of June 30, 2014, all new submissions received in 2014 have received a decision. The average decision lag for new submissions is 44 days.

Publisher and Format.

Since 2011, JEEA is published by Wiley-Blackwell. JEEA format consists of six regular annual issues (with no P&P special issue). The Presidential Address, Marshall, Schumpeter and JEEA-BBVA lectures are published in regular issues of JEEA.

Lectures

Eliana La Ferrara delivered the Fundación BBVA-JEEA lecture in January 2015 at the ASSA Meetings in Boston. The title of the lecture is: "Mass Media and Social Change: Can We Use Television To Fight Poverty?". The lecture was replicated in Madrid at the FBBVA headquarters on May 6, 2015.

JEEA published the 2014 Fundación BBVA-JEEA lecture delivered by Jean-Charles Rochet on "How Can Government Borrow So Much? A Public Choice Theory of Sovereign Debt" as the lead article of June 2015 issue as: Sovereign Debt Sustainability in Advanced Economies.

JEEA will also publish the Presidential Address delivered by Orazio Attanasio, the Joseph Schumpeter lecture delivered by Massimo Marinacci and the Marshall lecture delivered by Liran Einav at the Annual Congress in Toulouse in the forthcoming December 2015 issue.

Impact Factor

The two-year impact factor 2014 is 3.333, which is in line with the record impact factor 2013 (3.356). The 5-year impact factor is 3.495, up from 3.0 in 2013 and 2.49 in 2012. The eigenfactor score is at a record high. The total number of citations (2,280) is also a record high (up from 1,986 in 2013 and 1,567 in 2012).

JEEA ranks top-13 among the journals classified as “economics” by Thomson-Reuters. Many of the journals ahead of JEEA publish review articles (e.g. JEL, JEP). If one restricts attention to journals publishing new research in economics, JEEA ranks top-7 after QJE, ReStud, Ectca, AEJ: Macro, AER and JPE (JEEA is top-9 if finance journals are also considered). The impact factor of JEEA is close to that of JPE (3.593), AER (3.673) and Ectca(3.889). It is ahead of all field journals except AEJ: Macro. The Economic Journal has an impact factor of 2.336; the European Economic Review has an impact factor of 1.144.

Here is the time series of the 2-year impact factor

- 2007 (papers published in 2005 and 2006): 0.87.
- 2008 (papers published in 2006 and 2007): 1.36.
- 2009 (papers published in 2007 and 2008): 1.43.
- 2010 (papers published in 2008 and 2009): 1.70.
- 2011 (papers published in 2009 and 2010): 1.36.
- 2012 (papers published in 2010 and 2011): 2.05.
- 2013 (papers published in 2011 and 2012): 3.56.
- **2014 (papers published in 2012 and 2013): 3.33.**

**TABLE 1: TURNAROUND STATISTICS FOR NEW SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED
BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 2014 AND DECEMBER 31, 2014
(comparison with 2013 and 2012)**

	2014		2013		2012	
	# Submissions	Days to 1st decision	# Submissions	Days to 1st decision	# Submissions	Days to 1st decision
Summarily rejected	304	6	209	8	217	8
Rejected	421	66	432	69	377	82
Revise-and-Resubmit	29	103	26	118	21	150
Accepted/Cond. Accepted	23	91	19	82	18	97
Pending			1		0	
Withdrawn	3		2		2	
TOTAL (excluding pending)	777	44	686	52	633	62