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Crisis may be viewed as a crisis of capitalist social formation, and it may be discussed under the heading of “Crisis and Transformation”!

Turkish Journal of Political Economy (Turkish: *Ekonomi Politik: Uluslararası Eleştirel Katkılar*) will have be published in 2010 January with its first issue. Its general editors are Prof. Dr. İzzettin Önder and Prof. Dr. Tülin Öngen; its executive editors are Dr. Özlem Özkan, Assoc. Dr. İsmail Şiriner and Dr. Doğan Göçmen; and on its board of consultant scientists and philosophers are for example: Samir Amin, Korkut Boratav, Michael A. Lebowitz, Fuat Ercan, Michael Perelman, Taner Timur, Hans Heinz Holz, Mehmet Okyayuz and Domenico Losurdo. In the “Manifesto” of the journal, its aim and line are expressed in the following way:

“The fundamental concepts of this scientific tradition which finds its expression in the concept of political economy [classical political economy and its Marxian critique] are concepts such as labor, capital, commodity, value (use-value, exchange-value, and surplus-value), wage, and profit. Within this conceptual framework, starting from production relations, the effort to understand class relations which become concrete in the analysis of theoretical questions and practical problems concerning production, distribution and consumption, and in the form of contradiction and clash constitutes the main point of view and the methodological approach of our journal.”

The first issue of our journal will be devoted to the topic: “Crisis and Transformation.” We aim to discuss the theme of crisis, which occupies international agenda of politics and public consideration nearly for a year, as a formational crisis of capitalist society. In view of the continuity of crisis from the mid of 1970s onward, its increasing manifestation by certain periods from the early 1990s, its international dimension currently observed, the radicalism of measures which have been taken by governments, and the effects and results of the crisis which have been felt for a long period of time, it seems to be clear that it is impossible to speak of either a merely periodical crisis or a merely financial structural crisis. On the contrary, the crisis faced with resembles a formational crisis which includes however both periodical and structural dimensions. It expresses itself more profoundly in such discussions as political crisis, moral crisis, ecological crisis etc., which all are intensified by this crisis. These discussions naturally remind us not only of the idea of collapse which is associated with the crisis, but they beg also the question of a radical transformation. Our journal hails any kind of research or discussion paper which is suitable to the publication principles of the Journal. Papers must not exceed 7000 words.

Main headings may be:

- Nature and history of this crisis and crises in history;
- Crisis theories and Marxian critique;

- Marxian theory of crisis;
- Crisis and moral corruption;
- Ecological effects of crisis;
- Impasses of political system, and the debates on imperialism;
- Sources and dynamics of transformation;
- Subject of transformation, and the problems of its constitution.

Furthermore,

- Analyses concerning the history of economic thought;
- Studies on the history of science and thought;
- Archival researches;
- Book reviews etc.

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