



# UNAI MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORTS 2013-2014

## Research Centre for Evaluation and Socio-Economic Development (CERVAS)

### Italy

During the 2013-14 reporting period, Research Centre for Evaluation and Socioeconomic Development (CERVAS) engaged in a number of activities that underscore its on-going commitment to UNAI and its principles. The following examples stand out as particularly notable:

In May of 2013, CERVAS researcher Edgardo Bucciarelli led a scientific seminar entitled "*Microfounding the Financial Instability Hypothesis: a Different Way of Using Experiments in Economics*" at the Department of Economics within the University of Salamanca, in Spain.

Another working paper produced by Bucciarelli in collaboration with two other researchers tests the viability of using micro-credit financing to promote development in underdeveloped countries. This paper was presented at the 4<sup>th</sup> CIRIEC International Research Conference on Social Economy (ICOSE), which took place at the University of Antwerp in October of 2013 and focused on the theme of social economy, social inclusion and the fight against poverty.

Finally, jointly with the organization known as Economic Research Question Time (ERQT), CERVAS hosted a series of scientific seminars on topics from such fields as Development Economics, Human Development, Social Economics, Gender Empowerment and Decent Work. These events—held weekly between October 2013 and February 2014—were structured, in part, to promote knowledge about scientific issues tied to UNAI's operating principles.

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