AEA Signaling Mechanism – Terms of Use and Privacy Policy

Terms of Use

1. Your use of the signaling mechanism is voluntary.

2. The choice of what signals to send, if any, is yours. The AEA does not require you to use any particular strategy in selecting what signals to send. We encourage participants to read the rules carefully, and to consider their implications in light of each participant’s interests and objectives.

3. The AEA and the Ad Hoc Committee on the Job Market may send survey emails to participants to help measure outcomes and to improve the job market. Your answers to these questions are voluntary. Your answers or decision not to answer will not affect your use of the signaling mechanism.

4. Please submit a signal only on your own behalf. The AEA reserves the right to investigate or withdraw submissions that appear to be fraudulent.

Privacy Policy

1. Your signal, email address, and other personal information will be transmitted to the schools and employers you specify. The AEA has asked those schools and employers to treat this information with appropriate discretion. But the AEA cannot guarantee what those parties may do with this information.

2. The AEA and the Ad Hoc Committee on the Job Market will analyze participants’ submissions to help improve the efficiency of the economics job market in future years. When the analysis is released, it will be released only in aggregate form.

3. Except as provided above, the AEA will not distribute your signal choices, email address, or other personal information to third parties, nor will this information be made public. Furthermore, whether or not you have chosen to participate in the AEA mechanism will not be made public.