Policy research forum on the social dimension of the EMU

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Programme

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Charlemagne, Mansholt room, Brussels, Belgium
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09:00 - 09:30  Registration and welcome coffee

09:30 - 10:00  Opening session

Vladimír Šucha, Director-General, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission
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Session I: the social dimension of taxation

Can taxation be used to enable inclusive growth in Europe, according to research? How can new policy evaluation tools using, for example, disaggregated data and models as well as administrative databases, be fully integrated in the policymaking process? Could the unintended impacts of tax avoidance, for example on income distribution, be assessed?

10:00 - 10:40  Introduction and keynote speech

Introduction: Raquel Lucas, Member of the Cabinet of Vice-President Dombrovskis, European Commission
Keynote speaker: Peter Haan, Head of Department of Public Economics, DIW and Freie Universität Berlin
Discussion

10:40 - 11:10  Coffee break

11:10 - 12:40 Round table: taxation and social impact

Moderator: Andrea Brandolini, Head of Statistical Analysis Directorate, DG Economics, Statistics and Research, Banca d’Italia
Barbara Kauffmann, Director, Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission
Valère Moutarlier, Director, Directorate-General for Taxation and Customs Union, European Commission
Marcel Gérard, Professor, Université Catholique de Louvain and the College of Europe
Panos Tsakloglou, Professor, Athens University of Economics and Business
Mathias Dolls, Senior Researcher, Centre for European Economic Research (ZEW)
Salvador Barrios, Senior Economist, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission
Discussion
Session II: financing the inclusive growth in the European Union

Can we assess the effects of various past and future economic policies on the dynamics of inequality? How can research support the assessment of the causes and consequences of excessive indebtedness for households? Which tools could we use to assess whether bank activities finance the real economy? Can alternative sources of financing decrease the degree of bank dependence, especially for small firms and how could we assess the related risks and opportunities?

14:00 - 14:40  Introduction and keynote speech

Introduction: Luciana Tomozei, Policy Advisor, Office of the European Investment Bank Permanent Representative in Brussels

Keynote speaker: Michael Haliassos, Chair for Macroeconomics and Finance at Goethe University Frankfurt, Director of the CEPR Network on Household Finance

Discussion

14:40 - 15:10  Coffee break

15:10 - 16:40  Round table: social impact of financing

Moderator: Phedon Nicolaides, Director of European Economic Studies, College of Europe

Karl Pichelmann, Senior Advisor, Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs, European Commission

Annalisa Ferrando, Principal Economist, Directorate General Economics, European Central Bank

Loriana Pelizzon, Program Director Systemic Risk Lab and Chair of Law and Finance, Research Centre SAFE, Goethe University Frankfurt and Professor, Ca’ Foscari University of Venice

Christian de Boissieu, Professor, University of Paris I and the College of Europe

Steven Ongena, Professor of Banking, University of Zurich

Peter Benczur, Senior Economist, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission

Discussion

16:40 - 17:00  Conclusions

Lucio Mauro Vinhas de Souza, Team Leader, Economics Team, European Political Strategy Centre, European Commission

Maive Rute, Deputy Director-General, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission
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