

## SEEK-ENBI Workshop on Fiscal Governance in the Eurozone: The Role of Rules, Fiscal Boards and Other Policy Innovations

- preliminary program, October 20th, 2016 -

Mannheim, November 24/25, 2016

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Presentations should be limited to 20-25 minutes, followed by a 5 minute-presentation by the dicussant and 10-15 minutes reserved for general discussion.

P R O G R A M M E

Thursday, November 24, 2016

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| 12:00                    | Registration & Refreshments  |
| 12:45<br>Room 23         | <b>Welcome</b><br>Friedrich Heinemann, ZEW Mannheim  |
| 13:00 – 15:30<br>Room 23 | <b>Session A: Fiscal Rules</b><br>Chair: Friedrich Heinemann, ZEW Mannheim   |
|                          | Recent Experience with Fiscal Rules: Where do we go from here?<br><u>Xavier Debrun (International Monetary Fund)</u> and Lars Jonung (Lund University)<br>Discussant: Friedrich Heinemann, ZEW Mannheim  |
|                          | Fiscal Rule Stretching in the European Union<br><u>Mark Hallerberg (Hertie School of Governance)</u> and Christopher Gandrud (City University London & Hertie School of Governance)<br>Discussant: Thushyanthan Baskaran, University of Siegen                                       |
|                          | Do Fiscal Rules Constrain Fiscal Policy? A Meta-Regression-Analysis<br><u>Friedrich Heinemann (ZEW Mannheim &amp; University of Heidelberg)</u> , Marc-Daniel Moessinger (ZEW Mannheim) and Mustafa Yeter (ZEW Mannheim)<br>Discussant: Mark Hallerberg, Hertie School of Governance |
|                          | Balanced Budget Rules and Fiscal Outcomes: Evidence from Historical Constitutions<br><u>Zareh Asatryan (ZEW Mannheim)</u> , Cesar Castellon (Clemson University) and Thomas Stratmann (George Mason University)<br>Discussant: Xavier Debrun, International Monetary Fund            |
| 15:30                    | Coffee Break   |

16:00 – 18:30  
Room 23

**Session B: Fiscal Boards and Other Fiscal Institutions**

Chair: Zareh Asatryan (ZEW Mannheim)

Fiscal Councils: Rationale and Effectiveness

Roel Beetsma (University of Amsterdam) and Xavier Debrun (International Monetary Fund)

Discussant: Michal Horvath, University of York

Fiscal Institutions and Fiscal Performance: An Empirical Analysis of EU-28

Panagiotis Liargovas and Dimitra Mitsi (University of Peloponnese & Greek Parliamentary Budget Office)

Discussant: Savina Princen, European Commission

Do Councils Make Rules More Effective?

Mustafa Yeter (ZEW Mannheim)

Discussant: Roel Beetsma, University of Amsterdam

A proposal to revive the European Fiscal Framework

Gregory Claeys, Zsolt Darvas and Alvaro Leandro (Bruegel)

Discussant: Ludovit Odor, Slovak Council for Budget Responsibility

18:30

Dinner at ZEW

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Friday, November 25, 2016

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| 08:30 – 11:00<br>Room 23 | <p><b>Session C: Fiscal Policy over the Business Cycle</b><br/>Chair: Eckhard Janeba, University of Mannheim</p> <p>Fiscal Rules and Business Cycles in Emerging and Low-Income Economies<br/><u>Ulf Michael Bergman (University of Copenhagen)</u> and Michael Hutchison (University of California, Santa Cruz)<br/>Discussant: Albert Solé-Ollé, University of Barcelona</p> <p>Housing Booms, Fiscal Policy and Voter Information<br/><u>Albert Solé-Ollé</u> and Elisabet Viladecans-Marsal (University of Barcelona &amp; Barcelona Institute of Economics)<br/>Discussant: Ulf Michael Bergman, University of Copenhagen</p> <p>Correcting for Policy Changes: Tax Revenue Elasticities in the European Union<br/>Gilles Mourre and <u>Savina Princen (European Commission)</u><br/>Discussant: Panagiotis Liargovas, University of Peloponnese &amp; Greek Parliamentary Budget Office</p> <p>Is fiscal policy pro-cyclical in bad times?<br/><u>Alcidi Cinzia (Centre for European Policy Studies)</u><br/>Discussant: Gregory Claeys, Bruegel</p> |
| 11:00                    | Coffee Break   |
| 11:15<br>Room 23         | <p><b>Panel Session: ENBI – European Network of Better Institutions</b></p> <p>Friedrich Heinemann: Independent Fiscal and Economic Advisory Boards<br/>Andreas Peichl: Fiscal Stabilization<br/>Sascha Steffen: Macroprudential Policies</p>  |
| 12:00                    | Lunch  |
| 13:00 – 15:30<br>Room 23 | <p><b>Session D: Tax Reforms and Fiscal Competition</b><br/>Chair: Andreas Peichl, ZEW &amp; University of Mannheim</p> <p>Consumption Taxation and Redistribution: The Role of Housing Wealth<br/><u>Essi Eerola</u> and Niku Määttänen (VATT Institute for Economic Research)<br/>Discussant: Panos Tsakloglou, Athens University of Economics and Business</p> <p>Fiscal Competition and Public Debt<br/>Eckhard Janeba und <u>Maximilian Todtenhaupt</u> (ZEW Mannheim &amp; University of Mannheim)<br/>Discussant: Ralph Schmitt-Nilson (European Commission)</p> <p>A Credible Unemployment-Based Stabilisation Capacity for the Euro Area<br/>Nicolas Carnot, Gilles Mourre and <u>Ralph Schmitt-Nilson (European Commission)</u><br/>Discussant: Christian Wittneben (ZEW Mannheim)</p>   |

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Dynamic Scoring of Tax Reforms in Europe

Salvador Barrios (European Commission), Mathias Dolls (ZEW Mannheim), Anamaria Maftai (European Commission), Andreas Peichl (ZEW & University of Mannheim), Sara Riscado (European Commission), Janos Varga (European Commission) and Christian Wittneben (ZEW Mannheim)

Discussant: Essi Eerola, VATT Institute for Economic Research

15:30

Goodbye