

Lunch seminar

The Franco-German Proposal: A Roadmap for Europe?

13 September 2018, 12:30-14:30

Lunch will be served from 12:00 pm

Rue Montoyer, 40. 1000 Brussels

When Chancellor Merkel and President Macron met in Meseberg in June 2018, they agreed to further strengthen the cooperation within the European Union, including a common budget for the 19 Eurozone countries, deepening the Euro area, tax convergence, a modernization of the multilateral trade system as well as a reform of EU institutions.

On September 13th, 2018 FEPS will bring together leading German and French economists and policymakers for an International Roundtable on how to re-write the rules of the European economy and to discuss the propositions of the Meseberg declaration. How can we deepen the Eurozone's political architecture to enhance its capacity for growth, bridging inequalities, job creation, upward convergence, common action and democracy? What could a roadmap to advance the union and euro zone reform look like?

Programme

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12:00 – 12.30 Registration and Lunch

12:30 – 12.45 Welcoming Remarks

Prof. Maria João Rodrigues, President of FEPS, S&D Vice-President,
Member of the European Parliament (tbc)

12:45 – 13:00 Opening Speaker

Prof. Peter Bofinger, German economist and member of the
German Council of Economic Experts

13:00 – 14: 30 Roundtable Debate on “A Roadmap For Europe”

Discussants (10 minutes per discussant):

Marco Buti, Director-General for Economic and Financial Affairs,
European Commission

Prof. Michael Vincent, professor for financial regulation, University
Pierre and Marie Curie, Paris, member of the Observatoire de
l'économie of the Jean-Jaurès Foundation

Prof. Gesine Schwan, President, HUMBOLDT-VIADRINA
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Chair and Moderation: **Dr. Ernst Stetter**, Secretary General, FEPS