







DE-RISKING THE FUTURE OF EUROPE

REFORMING THE MACROFINANCIAL ARCHITECTURE

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In the aftermath of the sovereign debt crisis, the architecture of economic and financial governance in the European Union changed at an unprecedented pace. Member States have put in place crucial pillars of the Banking Union and the Capital Markets Union.

But progress on both projects has slowed down. As the new European Commission takes office, the work towards reforming the Economic and Monetary Union will likely revive. Agreed plans to attain banking and financial integration have not yet been completed; plus additional institutional and policy arrangements could become handy to contain systemic risk, shall a new crisis hit European markets.

Brexit questions aside, how to move from the political conundrum that split European countries on the risk-sharing risk-reduction battlefield? • How to finalise the work done on the neutralization of the bank-sovereign nexus? • What feature should a European common deposit insurance scheme have in order to become a viable tool? • How to design countercyclical fiscal tools that Member States can deploy during recessions? • Should a single sovereign issuing safe debt be introduced at EU level? – These are just some of the question that invited experts will try to answer.

The conference will be the occasion for policy-makers and academic experts to reflect and exchange on the pros and cons of different models to design further financial integration within the Euro area and the whole of Europe.

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9h00 Registration and Coffee

9h20 Welcoming & Introductory Remarks

László Andor, Secretary General, FEPS & former European Commissioner for

Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

Charles Goodhart, Honorary Professor, LSE

9h40 The Political Economy of Monetary Solidarity: where next for the euro?

Waltraud Schelkle, Professor in Political Economy, European Institute, LSE

10h15 Coffee break

10h30 Structural Issues in European Finance

Presentations by:

Inaki Aldasoro, Economist, Bank for International Settlements

→ European banking in global dollar markets

Tobias Arbogast, Researcher, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies

→ Who holds European sovereign debt: a distributional analysis

Jean Grosdidier, PhD Candidate, Sciences Po Law School

→ Safe banking to safe assets

Daniela Gabor, Professor of Economics and Macro Finance, University of the West of England - Bristol

→ Institutional supercycles and green macrofinance in the Euroarea

Chair: **Jakob Vestergaard**, Associate Professor, Roskilde University & Research Associate, LSE Department of International Development

12h15 Light Lunch











13h15 Gaps in the Euro-area Macro-Financial Architecture

Presentations by:

Nicolas Véron, Senior Fellow, Bruegel & Peterson Institute for International Economics (PIIE)

→ Completing the Banking and Capital Markets Union

Stephany Griffith-Jones, Financial Markets Director, Initiative for Policy Dialogue, Columbia University

→ Investment policies in Europe

Matthias Thiemann, Assistant Professor, Sciences Po

→ European supervision of CCPs/capital markets

Aitor Erce, Former Principal Economist, European Stability Mechanism

→ Sovereign debt restructuring

Chair: **Daniela Gabor**, Professor of Economics and Macro Finance, University of the West of England - Bristol

14h45 Coffee break

15h15 Keynote Address

Vítor Manuel Ribeiro Constâncio, former Vice President, ECB &

President of the School Board, ISEG Lisbon School of Economics & Management

Chair: Charles Goodhart, Honorary Professor, LSE

Discussants: Izabella Kaminska, Editor of the Financial Times' Alphaville

Nicolas Véron, Senior Fellow, Bruegel & PIIE

16h45 Wrap up and Concluding Remarks

17h00 Networking Drinks in the LSE Shaw Library

Organizing Committee

Charles Goodhart, Honorary Professor, LSE Financial Markets Group

Daniela Gabor, University of the West of England, Bristol

Jonathan Hopkin, LSE Government

David Rinaldi, FEPS & Université Libre de Bruxelles, Institute for European Studies

Jakob Vestergaard, Roskilde University & LSE International Development