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welcome to Bruegel’s Annual Meetings, our flagship event.

This September, as a new chapter of European history is starting, we are presenting a series of 16 Memos to the new European leadership, with the aim to chart out European future and help improve EU policies.

Debate is crucial to Bruegel’s work. This year we discuss economic priorities for Europe, geopolitics, globalisation, decarbonisation and its social impact, the future of Europe's financial system, and many other vital issues. We look forward to exchanging with you!

Sincerely,

Guntram B. Wolff, Director
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11.30-13.00  ● Designing a competition policy fit for Europe’s needs; evolution or revolution?

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4th September
Launch of the Bruegel Memos to the European leadership

09.00-10.15
Patio

**BRAVER, GREENER, FAIRER**
Memos to the EU leadership - 2019-2024

**Abstract**
At the start of the new cycle of the European Institutions, Bruegel publishes a series of memos to the new generation of lawmakers. In this book launched today, our scholars lay out their suggestions for a fairer, greener and braver Europe. Bruegel scholars will be available for a discussion of the 16 individual memos during the session and the day.

**Chair**

**Panel**
Zsolt Darvas, Senior Fellow, Bruegel
Maria Demertzis, Deputy Director, Bruegel
Alicia García-Herrero, Senior Fellow, Bruegel
J. Scott Marcus, Senior Fellow, Bruegel
Simone Tagliapietra, Research Fellow, Bruegel
Guntram B. Wolff, Director, Bruegel
How can Europe’s economy thrive in the digital age?

10.30-12:00
Salle du Trône

Abstract

Digital technologies are expected to be the drivers of growth, but evidence of significant productivity boosts is scant. Also, many people fear digitalisation will lead to more polarised economic structures. What corporate strategies and public policy support are needed to turn the potential of digital technologies into opportunities for sustainable growth of EU firms, and for addressing EU societal challenges?

Chair

Reinhilde Veugelers, Senior Fellow, Bruegel

Panel

Claire Bury, Deputy Director-General, European Commission, DG CONNECT
Joakim Reiter, Group External Affairs Director, Vodafone
Victoria Roig, Head of the transformation office of Santander Digital and Group Executive Vice-President
Abstract

Putting a price on carbon has - for good economic reasons - become an undisputed policy proposal. But in reality, many economic activities (e.g., heating or transportation) are still not covered by such a price in many countries and existing carbon prices (e.g., in the EU Emission Trading System) are considered insufficient to drastically reduce emissions. In this session we want to discuss how to overcome the hurdles to more sensible carbon prices.

Chair

Georg Zachmann / Senior Fellow, Bruegel

Panel

Brigitte Knopf, Secretary General, Mercator Research Institute on Global Commons and Climate Change
Lapo Pistelli, Executive Vice President, Eni
Jasper Wesseling, Deputy director-general tax and customs policy and legislation at the Ministry of Finance of the Netherlands
Europe’s trade policy

Abstract

Europe’s trade policy agenda for the next 5 years promises to be challenging. With the US and China engaged in an escalating trade war, the US threatening to impose additional tariffs on cars and China continuing to promote national champions, global trade and the world trading system are increasingly under severe threat, with direct consequences for the EU. How should and will the EU position itself vis-à-vis the US and China, both bilaterally and multilaterally in the context of the WTO system?

Chair

Alicia García-Herrero / Senior Fellow, Bruegel

Panel

Yi Huang, Associate Professor & Pictet Chair in Finance and Development, The Graduate Institute, Geneva
Kate Kalutkiewicz, Senior Trade Representative, US Mission to the EU
Bernd Lange, Chair of the European Parliament’s committee on International Trade
André Sapir, Senior Fellow, Bruegel
Reza Moghadam, Vice Chairman for Sovereigns and the Official Institutions, Morgan Stanley
Abstract
When the last Commission took office in 2014, Europe was consumed by the eurozone crisis. Today, the incoming leadership must decide how to deal with a variety of issues. There is the US-China trade war, climate change & biodiversity, cohesion in the EU and the euro area, but also the role of the Commission as a political and/or technocratic institution to be considered.

Chair
Guntram B. Wolff / Director, Bruegel

Panel
Lorenzo Bini Smaghi, Chairman of the Board, Société Générale
Sven Giegold, MEP, European Parliament
Danuta Hübner, Member of the European Parliament
Päivi Leino-Sandberg, Professor of Transnational European Law, University of Helsinki

Which priorities for the new EU leadership?
13.00-14.00
Patio
Abstract

All too often trade is claimed to be the cause of, or a solution to, all the world’s problems. But these assertions are frequently based on outmoded concepts or plain misunderstandings, wilful or otherwise.

Reflecting on current developments, EU Commissioner for Trade Cecilia Malmström will speak about the importance of evidence-based policymaking in international trade.

Looking forward, her speech will also highlight the EU’s role in rescuing and reforming the multilateral trading system, with the World Trade Organization at its heart.

Chair
Guntram B. Wolff / Director, Bruegel

Keynote
Cecilia Malmström, European Commissioner for Trade
Abstract
The shift to digitalised services is triggering a profound transformation in the nature of work. Will increasing use of AI, machine learning, robots and big data lead to massive unemployment? How are non-traditional workers and the self-employed (such as drivers for ride-hailing services) to obtain health insurance and pensions? What role should public policy play going forward?

Chair
J. Scott Marcus / Senior Fellow, Bruegel

Panel
Jamie Heywood, Regional General Manager, UK, Northern & Eastern Europe, Uber
Ann Mettler, Head of the European Political Strategy Centre
Alexander Stubb, Vice-President, European Investment Bank and Former Prime Minister of Finland
Laura Tyson, Director - Institute for Business and Social Impact, Haas School of Business, University of California Berkeley
Abstract

While the euro area has emerged from its deep economic crisis and interest rates are at historically low levels, multiple challenges remain. How complete is Europe’s monetary union? Do the available tools to prevent and correct fiscal, financial and macroeconomic imbalances reflect a reasonable compromise between first-best solutions and political reality? Is the euro area ready for a next recession or an economic crisis? What should be the reform priorities?

Chair

ZSOLT DARVAS / Senior Fellow, Bruegel

Panel

LAURENCE BOONE, Chief Economist, OECD
VÍTOR CONSTÂNCIO, Former Vice President, ECB
ASHOKA MOODY, Charles and Marie Robertson Visiting Professor in International Economic Policy at the Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University
THOMAS WIESER, Non-resident Fellow, Bruegel
Abstract

America and China are engaged in an economic geopolitical struggle for supremacy. This is a threat to the multilateral system the European Union has relied on for nearly seven decades and to the EU’s separation of external economic relationships from geopolitics. What can the EU’s incoming leadership do to protect Europe’s economic autonomy?

Chair

Jean Pisani-Ferry / Senior Fellow, Bruegel

Panel

Pierre Heilbronn, Vice President, Policy and Partnerships, European Bank of Reconstruction and Development
Mark Leonard, Director, ECFR
Maria Spykaki, Member of the European Parliament
Sabine Weyand, Director-General for Trade, European Commission
Abstract

What’s the EU’s offer to Africa? No region is more vulnerable to current global challenges than Africa, with negative spill-overs for the EU. Simultaneously, Africa offers opportunities for investment and trade – a fact well recognised by other global actors. What can the EU’s new leadership offer Africa? And what does Africa expect from its neighbour? During this interactive session, we will discuss how innovations in migration, finance, trade and global health can take the EU-Africa relationship to a new level.

Chair

Shada Islam, Director Europe & Geopolitics, Friends of Europe

Panel

Mikaela Gavas, Co-Director Development Cooperation in Europe and Senior Policy Fellow, CGD

Christian Leffler, Deputy Secretary General for Economic and Global Issues, European External Action Service

Stefano Manservisi, Director-General for International Cooperation and Development, European Commission

Harriet Sena Siau-Boateng, Ambassador of Ghana to the EU
Abstract

Our annual dinner is a moment for the Bruegel community to come together, enjoy dinner and debate. This year, we are very honoured and pleased that Olaf Scholz, Federal Minister of Finance and Vice Chancellor of Germany will be our keynote speaker.

The presentation will be introduced by Bruegel’s chairperson Jean-Claude Trichet and followed by a Q&A.

Chair

Jean-Claude Trichet / Chairperson of the Board, Bruegel

Keynote

Olaf Scholz, Federal Minister of Finance and Vice Chancellor, Germany
5th September
Abstract

Seven years after the euro area embarked on banking union, the EU’s financial system structures remain largely anchored at the national level. Is the current architecture working as intended? If not, can it be fixed at the margin, or does it require a holistic overhaul? Can such reforms be envisaged in a way that gives satisfaction to most or all member states?

Chair

Nicolas Véron / Senior Fellow, Bruegel

Panel

Niels Brab, Head of Government Relations, Deutsche Börse Group
Baroness Kishwer Falkner of Margravine, Member, Bank of England Enforcement Decision-Making Committee and Member of the House of Lords
Korbinian Ibel, Director General - Microprudential Supervision IV, ECB
Erik F. Nielsen, Group Chief Economist, Unicredit
Abstract

Ten years after the start of the crisis, monetary policy remains the most used macroeconomic instrument. Today, the system is riddled with uncertainties and the scope for applying both conventional and unconventional instruments is limited. How should the ECB adapt and evolve to deal with the unknown?

Chair

Maria Demertzis / Deputy Director, Bruegel

Panel

Grégory Claeys, Research Fellow, Bruegel
José Manuel González-Páramo, Head of Global Economics & Public Affairs, BBVA
Lucrezia Reichlin, Professor of Economics, London Business School
Abstract

European competition policy is in a state of flux. There are calls for systemic reform to address challenges posed by digitization; by competition from state-directed enterprises; by geo-political realities of global trade; by the need boost economic growth. Discussions will also focus on whether competition policy should adjust to current concerns and support industrial policy; how to contextualise long-run consumer welfare; and how to maintain independence and objectivity in enforcement.

Chair

Mathew Heim / Visiting Fellow, Bruegel

Panel

Kris Dekeyser, Director, Policy and Strategy, European Commission, DG COMP

Jérôme Delpech, Transformation Leader, Global Transformation, Sanofi

Sylvie Goulard, Second Deputy Governor, Banque de France

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During this period, a battalion of grenadiers occupied the stables and the public was allowed to visit the Palace. In November 1842, the building was transferred to the State and the Palace underwent major changes. Since 1848, the palace has had many roles, housing regiments, holding ceremonies and public festivals and storing collections of the Museum of Modern Art, before becoming the headquarters of the Royal Academy of Sciences, Letters and Fine Arts of Belgium and the Royal Academy of Medicine.
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