



Bruegel launches a special publication

***Memos to the New Commission
Europe's Economic Priorities 2010 -- 2015***

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On September 1, 2009, Bruegel will publish an inaugural collection of Memos addressed to the President and to the new European commissioners shortly to take office. Written by Bruegel Scholars and edited by Senior Research Fellow André Sapir, the Memos focus on key economic aspects of EU policy-making.

The new Commission will enter office at a challenging time for Europe, the EU and the Commission itself. It will need to tackle the crisis, including exit strategies, while at the same time setting priorities for its full five-year mandate to consider prevalent longer-term issues such as climate change, development, industrial policy, employment and trade.

The Bruegel Memos also contribute to the debate around Europe's governance and the need for Europe to redefine its narrative, especially if it is to emerge from the crisis as a significant global power.

Bruegel invites you to attend a press briefing on the Memos

9.00 -- 10.00am Thursday 24 August 2009
Bruegel offices, 33 Rue de la Charité, Brussels 1210

given by

André Sapir, Senior Fellow and **Jean Pisani-Ferry**, Director of Bruegel. where you can take away an advance copy of the Memos publication

Refreshments will be served.

For further details and to reserve your place, please RSVP to Vanessa Witkowski
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The Memos will be launched at a special event

10.00am Tuesday 1 September 2009

Résidence Palace, Brussels

André Sapir and **Jean Pisani-Ferry** will host a discussion to assess Europe's changing role and the challenges ahead for the new Commission.

They will be joined in discussion by:

Elmar Brock, Member of the Group of the European People's Party (tbc)

Daniel Cohn-Bendit, Co-president of the European Greens–European Free Alliance group

Poul Nyrup Rasmussen, President of the Party of European Socialists

Guy Verhofstadt, Leader of the EP ALDE group

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