

Can the euro still be saved?

Program

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Conference organized by the *Cercle des Economistes* and *Friedrich Ebert Foundation*

9:00 Opening CdE/FES

9:05 **Morning Session: The threats**

Guiding questions: Contrary to what one could have hoped for, during the last decade many factors have led to growing divergences within euro area core countries: this is true for growth, public debt trajectories, competitiveness and foreign trade performances, labor market situations...This has contributed to an increase in centrifugal forces that, in a few years, could become harder to curb or to vulnerabilities that could be hard to remedy.

Input **Philippe GUDIN** (Barclays), France
Stefan KOOTHS (IFW Kiel), Germany

Chair **Sandra PARTHIE** (IW Köln), Germany

General Discussion

12:30 Lunch

14:00 **Afternoon Session: The possible cures**

Guiding questions: Many initiatives have been taken since the beginning of this decade as a reaction to emergency situations. What could Governments and European authorities do, at the economic and financial level, to cope with the latent threats that, slowly but surely, may be undermining the very existence of the common currency?

Input **Marcel FRATZSCHER** (DIW Berlin), Germany
Laurence BOONE (Axa-IM), France

Chair **Pierre JAILLET** (Banque de France), France

General Discussion

16.40 Concluding remarks (CdE/FES)

16.45 Transfer to the airport