



EuroMemo Group Conference 2016

Suggested topics for the workshops

1. Macroeconomic and developmental policies to challenge austerity and uneven development (coordinator: Achim Truger)

Official macroeconomic policies in the EU have seen some modifications over the last year. Monetary policy has been further loosened and fiscal policy has become less restrictive as the EU commission has decided to concede some more leeway to member countries. However, most of the Euro area is still firmly in the grip of austerity policies. At the same time economic divergence and current account imbalances prevail. Against this background the session encourages non-mainstream macroeconomic analyses providing an alternative view of recent macroeconomic developments and policy proposals as well as alternative proposals for monetary, fiscal and wages policies that challenge austerity and aim at curing current account imbalances and promote economic convergence.