

Franco-German Conference

7-8 July 2016, Paris

**Venue : Sciences Po, 13, rue de l'Université -
Amphithéâtre Erignac - 75007 Paris**

Day 1 – Thursday 7 July

9:45 Welcome coffee

10:00-10h15 Welcome address

Sébastien Jean, Director, CEPII – **Xavier Ragot**, President, OFCE

10:15-11:00 Introductory session: Challenges ahead for the euro area

Ludger Schuknecht, Chief Economist, Bundesministerium der Finanzen, Germany

11:00-11:15 Coffee break

11:15-13:00 Session 1: German economy: The current account surplus and labour market: New challenges?

*Chair: **Christophe Destais**, Deputy-Director, CEPII*

*Speakers: **Simon Junker**, Deputy Head, Forecasting and Economic Policy Department, DIW - **Gabriel Felbermayr**, Director, CESifo*

*Discussant: **Odile Chagny**, Economist, Institut de Recherche Economique et Sociale (IRES)*

13:00-14:00 Lunch on site

14:00-15:45 Session 2: French Economy: What policies to reduce unemployment and foster competitiveness?

*Chair: **Kerstin Bernoth**, Deputy Head of the Department of Macroeconomics, DIW*

*Speakers : **Lionel Fontagné**, Professor of Economics at Paris School of Economics and Scientific Advisor at the CEPII - **Eric Heyer**, Director, Analysis and Forecast Department, OFCE*

*Discussant: **Panu Poutvaara**, Director of the Ifo Center for International Institutional Comparisons and Migration Research (CESifo)*

15:45 – 16:15 Coffee break

16:15 – 18:00 Session 3: Preventing Europe from low growth and low inflation and supporting investment. Do we need new monetary and fiscal policies?

*Chair: **Vincent Aussilloux**, Head of Economics Department, French Prime Minister's Policy Planning (France Stratégie)*

*Speakers: **Alexander Schiersch**, Research Associate, Firms and Markets Department, DIW and **Martin Gornig**, Deputy Head, Firms and Markets Department, DIW - **Jérôme Creel**, Director, Studies Department, OFCE*

*Discussant: **Gilbert Cette**, Deputy Director General, Economics and International, Banque de France*

Day 2 – Friday 8 July

8:45 Welcome coffee

9:00 – 10:45 Session 4: Migration, Demography and Labour Mobility

*Chair: **Christophe Blot**, Deputy-Director, Analysis and Forecast Department, OFCE*

*Speakers: **Panu Poutvaara**, Director of the Ifo Center for International Institutional Comparisons and Migration*

*Research (CESifo) - **Lionel Ragot**, Professor of Economics at University Paris X and Scientific Advisor at the CEPII - **Peter Haan**, Head, Public Economics Department, DIW*

10:45– 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 – 12:45 Session 5: How to implement stabilisation policies with high public debt? How to correct nominal divergence in Europe?

*Chair: **Clemens Fuest**, President of the Ifo Institute for Economic Research (CESifo)*

*Speakers: **Timo Wollmershäuser**, Interim Director of the Ifo Center for Business Cycle Analysis and Surveys (CESifo) - **Marcel Fratzscher**, President of the Executive Board, DIW - **Xavier Timbeau**, Principal Director, OFCE - **Michel Aglietta**, Advisor at the CEPII, Professor Emeritus at Paris X University and Member of the Council for French Public Finances*

12:45 – 14h00 LUNCH ON SITE

14:00 – 16:00 OPEN SESSION: How to improve the governance of the euro area?

*Moderator: **Marie Charrel**, Journalist, Le Monde*

*Speakers: **Ferdinand Fichtner**, Head, Forecasting and Economic Policy Department, DIW - **Clemens Fuest**, President, Ifo Institute Leibniz Institute for Economic Research at the University of Munich – **Sébastien Jean**, Director, CEPII - **Jean Pisani-Ferry**, Commissioner-General of the French Prime Minister's Policy Planning (France Stratégie) - **Xavier Ragot**, President, OFCE.*