

PROGRAMME

European and Global Economic Governance (Ordnungspolitik) after the Financial Crisis

International Conference of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung

Brussels, February 8th-9th, 2011

The Social Market Economy has been serving – in different shapes – as a basis for high growth and employment rates after the Second World War and thus been standing for prosperity as well as political and social stability in Europe. The international financial crisis has proven the fact that the principles of a reasonable framework setting for economic activities may not be eroded. Especially regionally and globally coordinated policies have shown their effectiveness in fighting the crisis. With its reform strategy "Europe 2020" the EU has made a new start in advancing the European competitiveness with a stronger politico-economic as well as fiscal regulation. A "European Social Market Economy" for the 21st century shall be achieved.

Nevertheless, the financial crisis has brought the question of the economic system back on the agenda. The European economic and societal model of the Social Market Economy has to assert itself in the context of liberal market approaches on the one hand and state-centric dirigisme on the other. We are challenged to promote the principles of the Social Market Economy in a globally interconnected economy and to identify supporters of this model. The KAS-document "Guidelines for Prosperity, Social Justice and Sustainable Economic Activity" is committed to this endeavour. Especially states gaining influence on a global scale have to take up decisions on their further direction: Which way will they pursue to a politically, socially and ecologically balanced growth path? How is, in this context, the European model of economic development seen abroad? Which approaches are discussed in important emerging economies? How can an international dialogue on economic governance be structured and a consensus be reached?

These questions also bring up convergences as well as divergences between the governance mode of the Social Market Economy and normative economic orders from other cultural areas. Which common orientations and starting points can be identified – despite different moral concepts? Which analogies and congruencies with the principle of the Social Market Economy can be found? How can a rational exchange about each other's positions be enhanced? These questions shall be at the centre of the experts' conference which will bring together representatives from European institutions, experts from the respective countries involved as well as KAS representatives from different projects of the Foundation abroad. The aim is to explain and discuss the concepts of economic governance and the strategic dispositions in this field within the European Union as well as in important emerging economies.



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Tuesday, February 8th, 2011

Cercle Royal Gaulois Artistique et Littéraire 5, Rue de la Loi, 1000 Brussels

5.30 pm	Welcome
	Dr. Hans-Gert Pöttering MEP
	Chairman of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung
	Former President of the European Parliament
5.45 pm	Keynote Speech
	For an International Value-driven Economic Governance – Guidelines for
	Prosperity, Social Justice and Sustainable Economic Activity
	Valdis Dombrovskis
	Prime Minister of the Republic of Latvia
	Comments
	Corien Wortmann-Kool MEP Deputy Chairwoman of the EPP Group in the European Parliament
	Johannes Laitenberger
	Head of Cabinet of President Barroso, European Commission
	Discussion
	Chair: Wolfgang Landmesser, WDR/NDR, Brussels Office (tbc)
	Final remarks
	Dr. Gerhard Wahlers
	Deputy Secretary General of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung
7 pm	Reception



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Wednesday, February 9th, 2011

European Office of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung 11, Avenue de l'Yser, 1040 Brussels

Conference languages will be English and German. Simultaneous translation will be provided.

- Experts' Conference -

- 9.30 am Registration and coffee
- 10 am
 Welcome and Introduction

 Economic Activity in Freedom and Responsibility –The Global Dialogue of the

 Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung on Ordnungspolitik and the Social Market Economy

Dr. Gerhard Wahlers

Deputy Secretary General of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung

10.30 am **Panel I** Competition of Economic Models: Which Concept can stand its Ground?

> Jagadeesh Gokhale, Ph.D Cato Institute, Washington, USA

Prof. Dr. Chin Leng Lim University of Hong Kong, China

Prof. Dr. Jörg M. Winterberg Director of the SRH University of Applied Science, Heidelberg

Discussion

Chair Thomas B. Stehling, Head of the KAS Country Programme Spain



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2 pm	Panel II Growth and Responsibility: Which Path of Development do the G20- Economies pursue?
	Dr. Heribert Dieter Research Division Global Issues, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP) Berlin
	Dr. Wilhelm Hofmeister Head of the KAS Regional Programme Political Dialogue Asia
	Dr. Werner Böhler Head of the KAS Country Programme South Africa
	António José Cabral Chief Advisor Barroso Cabinet, European Commission
	Discussion
	Chair Olaf Jacob , Head of the KAS Regional Programme Social Order Policy in Latin America (SOPLA), Rio
4 pm	Coffee break
4.30 pm	Panel III Economy driven by Values – Normative Orders of the Social Market Economy
	Frank Priess Head of the KAS Country Programme Mexico
	Rev. Rüdiger Noll Director, Church and Society Commission, Conference of European Churches
	Thomas Birringer Head of the KAS Regional Programme Gulf States
	Prof. Dr. Volker Nienhaus Former President of the Philipps University Marburg
	Discussion
	Chair Dr. Hubert Gehring , Head of the KAS Country Programme Czech Republic