



WWWforEurope Newsletter 1/2016

WWWforEurope Final Conference

The **deadline** for registering for the **WWWforEurope Final Conference** has been **extended until February 14th, 2016**. To register, send an email to [wwwforeurope-events\(at\)wifo.ac.at](mailto:wwwforeurope-events(at)wifo.ac.at).

Registration is mandatory for the conference, which takes place in Brussels on **February 25th, 2016**.

At the WWWforEurope Final Conference, the results of four years of research work and the resulting policy recommendations will be presented and discussed with researchers and stakeholders.

The WWWforEurope project will also be presented at a **Parliamentary Breakfast** under the patronage of Martin Schulz, President of the European Parliament, and hosted by Othmar Karas, Member of the European Parliament, on February 25th, 2016.

[Read more about the conference and have a look at the programme and conference speakers.](#)

Launching the WWWforEurope Synthesis Report in Vienna

The WWWforEurope final results and policy recommendations will also be presented on **March 8th, 2016, at the House of the European Union Vienna** by Karl Aiginger, project co-ordinator and director of WIFO.

The presentation will be followed by a panel discussion moderated by Eric Frey (Der Standard) and joined by Brigitte Ederer (Chairwoman of ÖBB Supervisory Board), Franz Fischler (President European Forum Alpbach, former EU Commissioner), Sonja Steßl (State Secretary, tbc), and Jörg Wojahn (Head of Representation of the European Commission in Austria).

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Coming up: Understanding and Tackling the Migration Challenge - The Role of Research

Under this title, the Directorate General for Research and Innovation of the European Commission is [organising a conference on February 4th and 5th, 2016](#), in Brussels, to explore and demonstrate how European research can support policy makers in designing effective and sustainable migration policies. WWWforEurope researcher Peter Huber (WIFO) will hold a presentation on "Labour market impacts of

WWWforEurope researcher Peter Huber (WIFO) will hold a presentation on "Labour Market Impacts of Migration and Fiscal Outcomes", based on his WWWforEurope research, and the [Science4Refugees](#) initiative will be presented.

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The 2016 Growth in Transition Conference

Don't miss the [2016 Growth in Transition Conference](#) taking place in Vienna, February 22-24, 2016! Karl Aiginger and WWWforEurope researchers Sigrid Stagl (Vienna University of Economics and Business, WU) and Tim Jackson (University of Surrey) will hold keynote speeches.

The [WWWforEurope session](#) providing insights into the main outcomes of the project will be moderated by WWWforEurope Deputy Coordinator Margit Schratzenstaller and feature Marina Fischer-Kowalski (Alpen-Adria University Klagenfurt), Thomas Leoni, Claudia Kettner (both WIFO), Johanna Vogel (Environment Agency Austria), and Christin ter Braak-Forstinger (founder of PVA Advisory).

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Trade, Migration and Labour Market Outcomes - FIW Workshop

Organised by WIFO in cooperation within the Research Center International Economics (FIW), the FIW Workshop will take place at WIFO on February 25th, 2016, and will focus on "[Trade, Migration and Labour Market Outcomes](#)". It will feature WWWforEurope researcher Peter Huber (WIFO) presenting on "Ethnic Diversity and the Employment Prospects of Immigrants".

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Past Events: WU Competence Day 2015

Karl Aiginger held a keynote speech based on WWWforEurope research findings at the [2015 Competence Day of the Vienna University of Business and Economics \(WU\)](#) on December 16th, 2015. In his speech, titled "Austria & Europe in the Global Economy 2050", he stressed the need for a new vision of Europe in 2050.

[Watch the keynote and download the presentation on our website.](#)

Analysing the EU's 7th Framework Programme for Research

At the presentation of the [Ex-Post Evaluation Report on the EU's FP7 programme](#) at WU on January 22nd, 2016, Margit Schratzenstaller (WIFO) argued for shifting RTD expenditures towards research on grand societal challenges and stressed the requirements of interdisciplinary approaches and the representation of member states' heterogeneity. She also pointed at the WWWforEurope result - disappointing from a sustainability perspective - that only 9% of H2020 funds are designated for research on climate change.

[Read more and download the report on our website](#)

WWWforeurope Research in Scientific Journals and the Media

WWWforEurope research results have recently been published as FIW Research Centre International Economics Policy Brief No. 29: Karl Aiginger wrote on "[Deficits and Strengths in Austrian Competitiveness](#)", applying a new concept and a European perspective to the topic.

Beatrice Camaioni (INEA), Roberto Esposti, Francesco Pagliacci, and Franco Sotte (Università Politecnica delle Marche) published a paper on "[How Does Space Affect the Allocation of the EU Rural Development Policy Expenditure?](#)" in the European Review of Agricultural Economics.

WWWforEurope has also been present in the popular media lately, with articles featuring Susanne Elsen and Judith Schicklinski on Urban Gardening in a [South Tyrolian weekly magazine](#) on Urban Gardening and Karl Aiginger and David Bailey's Op-eds being published in [L'Echo](#), [La Tribune](#), and on [EurActiv.com](#).

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Call for Papers: FairTax Conference

Submit your abstracts for the [FairTax Conference](#) until **February 29th!** The objective of the FairTax Conference on "Options for an EU Own Tax" is to promote the exchange of ideas among researchers working on reform options for the EU system of own resources in general and for own EU taxes to substitute national contributions by EU member states in particular. The workshop is organised by Mendel University, King's College London, and WIFO and will be held in Vienna on September 19th, 2016.

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In the face of the financial and economic crisis and long-term challenges from globalisation, demographic shifts, climate change, and new technologies, Europe needs to redefine its socio-ecological strategy. The objective of WWWforEurope – Welfare, Wealth and Work for Europe is to strengthen the analytical foundation of this strategy. WWWforEurope is a four year research project within the 7th Framework Programme funded by the European Commission, coordinated by the Austrian Institute of Economic Research (WIFO) and brings together researchers from 34 scientific institutions in 12 European countries. For more information see www.foreurope.eu.

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