

Working Paper: Implementation of the WWWforEurope Transition Strategy

The WWWforEurope project proposes a new medium to long-term EU Strategy, aiming to transform the present socio-economic model. In his essay "[Institutional Set-up and Conflict Resolution](#)", Kurt Bayer outlines the procedural and institutional part of this Transition Strategy, where to start and which instruments to apply, but also more importantly which principles and method to apply in order to resolve remaining conflicts. [Download the paper](#).

Upcoming WWWforEurope special sessions at conferences

Special sessions presenting the WWWforEurope project and selected research results will take place at EAERE21 in Helsinki, Finland, June 24th-27th, at the 11th ESEE conference in Leeds, UK, June 30th to July 3rd as well as at the 2015 EURA conference in Sibiu, Romania, September 17th-20th, 2015. [Check out our website for further information!](#)

Chinese green growth researchers meet WWWforEurope colleagues

Guiron Xiao, Chunyou Wu and Xiaoling Wang of Dalian University joined WWWforEurope researchers at the Institute for Social Ecology, Alpen Adria University, and at WIFO on June 8th to present their project "The International Comparison Study of Theory and Application of Green Growth" and exchange knowledge on green growth, energy systems and emissions trading. [Read more on our website](#).

Karl Aiginger: Investment in Change

The future of Europe and strategies to restart growth were the topics of the discussions and conferences in which Karl Aiginger participated in May and June. From a [high level meeting at the Oesterreichische Nationalbank](#), where Karl Aiginger discussed growth strategies with André Sapir of Bruegel to a [discussion with Jyrki Katainen](#), Vice President of the EU Commission for Jobs, Growth, Investment and Competitiveness, on the future of the European project, organised by the Austrian Society for European Politics, to the [annual NERO meeting of the leading economic research institutions](#) organised by the OECD, where Karl Aiginger proposed a two-stage strategy for industrialised countries, he made clear that business as usual is not an option: what is needed is an investment in change, e.g. renewable energy, energy efficiency and social investments.



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Reform resistance in the context of crisis countries

Friedrich Heinemann presented his study, a joint work with Theodor Grigoriadis, on reform resistance in the context of crisis countries at the [Conference on Economic Challenges in Enlarged Europe](#) in Tallinn, Estonia, 14 - 16 June 2015. This study classifies obstacles to welfare increasing reforms of very different nature, ranging from rational reform resistance to limited rationality and behavioural explanations. [Find more information on our website](#).

WWWforEurope at the Whitsun Dialogue 2015

Margit Schratzenstaller, deputy co-ordinator of WWWforEurope, attended the 2015 Whitsun Dialogue in Seggau, Austria, to discuss the challenges of a sustainable eco-social economic system. [Read more on our website](#).

The Euroframe Conference 2015

At the 12th EUROFRAME conference the central theses of WWWforEurope's synthesis report were discussed in a policy panel with stakeholders to gain valuable feedback. Karl Aiginger, Margit Schratzenstaller and Kurt Bayer offered perspectives on reconciling environmental sustainability and socio-economic targets, with comments by John FitzGerald (ESRI) and Albert van der Horst (CPB). [Download papers and presentations on our website](#).

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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