Tracking and Evaluating Labour Market Reforms in Europe
Workshop organised by the European Commission
DG Economic and Financial Affairs
Brussels, 14 March 2007
Centre Borschette, 36 rue Froissart, 1040 Brussels, Room 1A

9.00 – 9.30 Registration
9.30 -9.40 Welcome and opening remarks,
Jan Schmidt, European Commission, Director DG Economic and Financial Affairs

Session 1. Tracking labour market reforms
Chair: Jan Schmidt

9.40 -10.10 Tito Boeri and Paola Monti, Bocconi University and Fondazione De Benedetti: "What we know and don't know of labour market reforms: a decade of experience of labour market reforms"

10.10 -10.40 Jean Marc Burniaux, OECD: "Methodological issues in quantifying labour market reforms across OECD countries"

10.40 -11.00 Alfonso Arpaia, European Commission: "Tracking Labour Market Reforms in the EU Member States: An overview of reforms in 2004-2005 based on the LABREF Database"

11.00 -11.20 Discussant: Andrew Watt, European Trade Union Institute for Research Education and Health and Safety

Session 2 Ex-ante Evaluation of Labour Market reforms
Chair: Xavier Prats Monne, Director DG Employment Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities

11.20 -11.50 Ruud de Mooij, CPB: "Ex-ante modelling of the implications of Dutch labour market reforms"

11.50 - 12.20 Stéphane Carcillo, IMF: "A Matching Model to evaluate the impact on Employment of the Introduction of the CNE and CPE in France"

12.20 – 12.50 Kristian Orsini, CES KU Leuven: "Ex-ante evaluation of tax and Benefit Reforms in the EU: What can we learn? "

12.50-13.10 Discussant: Michael Neugart, WZB Berlin

13.10 – 14.10 Lunch
**Session 3**  
*Ex-post Evaluation of Labour Market reforms*  
*Chair: Declan Costello DG, Economic and Financial Affairs*

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<td>&quot;Evaluating start-up subsidies for the Unemployed. Effectiveness and Monetary Efficiency of Two Subsidy Programs&quot;</td>
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