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Brussels, November 23
Conference Centre Albert Borchette

Fiscal policy after the crisis

Programme co-chairs:
Ethan Ilzetzki (LSE and CEPR) and Karl Pichelmann (DG ECFIN)

Final programme:

09:00-10:30 **Session I: Stabilisation policies and growth in a low interest rate environment**

Chair: Marco Buti (DG ECFIN)
Speakers: Gianluca Benigno (London School of Economics)
Neil Mehrotra (Brown University, Providence)
Discussant: Isabel Correia (Banco de Portugal)

10:30-11:00 **Keynote Old and new challenges for fiscal policy**

Chair: Marco Buti (DG ECFIN)
Speaker: Pierre Moscovici (European Commission)

11:00-11:30 ☕ Coffee break

11:30-13:00 **Session II: The economics of high public debt reconsidered**

Chair: Servaas Deroose (DG ECFIN)
Speakers: Moritz Schularick (Bonn University)
Paolo Mauro (PIIE, Washington)
Discussant: Daniel Gros (CEPS)

13:00-14:00 ☕ Lunch break

14:00-14:30 **Keynote Comprehensive and coordinated approach to economic policy**

Chair: Anne Bucher (DG ECFIN)
Speaker: Vitor Gaspar (IMF)

14:30-16:00 **Session III: Fiscal federalism revisited**

Chair: Anne Bucher (DG ECFIN)
Speakers: John Hassler (University of Stockholm)
Albert Solé-Ollé (University of Barcelona)
Discussant: Friedrich Heinemann (ZEW)

16:00-16:30 ☕ Coffee break

16:30-18:00 **Session IV: Fiscal rules, fiscal institutions, or both: Political economy considerations**

Chair: Lucio Pench (DG ECFIN)
Speakers: Enrico Spolaore (Tufts University)
Brigid Laffan (European University Institute)
Discussant: Guntram Wolff (Bruegel)