



## **CONSENT Workshop**

### **“First Lessons from the Budgetary Review”**

**Place:** ZEW

**Date:** 24/25 November 2008

**Local Organization:** Steffen Osterloh (ZEW, Mannheim), osterloh@zew.de

**Programme Committee:**

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#### **Monday 24 November**

**14:00 - 14:10**            **Welcome**

**14:10 - 15:10**            **Diagnostical Part**

Gerald Schneider/Stefanie Bailer (University of Konstanz/University of Zurich): *Easy to Predict: Redistributive Interests and Government Negotiation Positions in the EU Council*

Joachim Schild (University of Trier): *Institutional Reforms: An Appropriate Answer to Basic Problems of the EU's Financial System?*

Discussion

**15:10 - 15:40**            **Coffee Break**

**15:40 - 16:50**            **Overview Reform Issues**

Mojmir Mrak/Vasja Rant/Uroš Vajgl (University of Ljubljana): *The Consultation Phase of the EU Budget Review: Member States' Views*

#### **Keynote: National Perspective of the Budget Review**

Wepke Kingma (Director of European Integration, Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs): *tbd*

Discussion

**16:50 - 18:30**

**Reform Options Revenue Side**

Iain Begg (London School of Economics and Political Science): *Funding the EU Budget: A Case for Inaction?*

Margit Schratzenstaller-Altzinger (WIFO, Vienna): *Alternative Financing Sources for the EU Budget: The Case for a European Tax*

Sándor Richter (wiiw, Vienna): *A Radical Proposal to Cure the Chronic 'Juste Retour' Problem of the EU Budget*

Discussion

**18:30**

**Dinner “Euro Bistro”**

**Tuesday 25 November**

**9:00 - 9:40**

**Keynote: Commission’s Perspective of the Budget Review**

Stefan Lehner (European Commission): *Insights from the Public Consultation*

Discussion

**9:40 - 10:20**

**Expenditure Side in General**

Willem Molle (Erasmus University, Rotterdam): *The Commission Expenditure Side Study*

Discussion

**10:20 - 10:50**

**Coffee Break**

**10:50 - 11:30**

**Structural Policies**

John Bachtler (EPRC, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow): *Challenges for Reforming Structural Policies*

Discussion

**11:30 - 12:30**

**Common Agriculture Policy**

Jean-Christophe Bureau (AgroParisTech, Paris): *tbd*

Andrea Elekes (Szent István University, Budapest): *A vision for the CAP*

Discussion

**12:30**

**Lunch**