Motivation

Looking at the shape and disposition of the EU today there are striking concerns and issues on its future. To a large extent they are rooted in the negative impacts and consequences of the financial crisis, still ten years after. What in particular became blunt evident with the collapse of Lehman Brothers is the centrality of the financial system in all respects. This is why its purpose has to go beyond profits – comprising economic, societal and distributional aims at national levels but also in a monetary union. Such ambitions cannot come from the industry itself, they stay a pressing task of policy making.

But this is at risk of getting lost in the muddle of prevailing national interests and populism. The crucial question of who bears the risks and the burden has become a dominant point of contention in the political controversies about the design and architecture of the EU financial system, including the legacy issues in the banking sector. Socialising such problems and stabilising banks with public funds shall never be a notion and means of reaching financial stability.

Indeed, a different mindset is needed to draw on lessons learnt and break the onerous fatigue of political disputes. The costs of the crisis for societies and the cohesion of the EU shall not fall into oblivion. Therefore, the conference takes a foremost policy-oriented, forward-looking stance to discuss most crucial issues lying ahead. Central questions will be inter alia how to align opposing policy concepts of risk reduction and risk sharing, lessons from first experiences with resolution, safe asset concepts in the EMU as well as visions about a future financial architecture, rather than repairing the existing one.

The conference brings together regulators, scientists, politicians, industry experts and organisations. We are convinced that generating an open and critical debate is very reasonable and also necessary to build a sustainable and resilient financial system which better fulfills its vital functions in serving the economy and society. In this regard, the conference will give inspiring insights.

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Risk Reduction versus Risk Sharing

Program

9:00 Opening
Martin Aehling, Director, FRS Financial Risk and Stability Network

9:15 Address
Dr. Matthias Kollatz, Senator for Finance, Berlin

9:30 Keynote – Out-of-the-Box
State of Financial Reform: A View from the United States
Dennis Kelleher, President and CEO, Better Markets

10:05 Keynote – State-of-Play
Risk Reduction and Risk Sharing – Two Sides of the Same Coin
Danièle Nouy, Chair of the Supervisory Board, European Central Bank

10:40 Coffee

11:10 Panel I – Discussion
Fragmentation, Interconnectedness and Systemic Risk: Opposing Perceptions or Interaction in a supposedly Single Market?

- Sifs Interdependencies, Contagion Channels and Markets: What do we know?
- Concentration Risks, home Biases and Uniform Approaches: How to address?
- Advancing Market Integration: Useful Tool to stabilise the Monetary Union?
- Structural Changes and Systemic Effects over Time: How to control for Risks?
- Crisis Prevention instead of Crisis Mitigation: How effective are current Settings?

Prof. José Manuel Campa, Global Head of Regulatory Affairs, Banco Santander
Lorenzo Codogno, Visiting Professor, London School of Economics, and Founder, Chief Economist, LC Macro Advisors
Dr. Saskia de Vries-van Ewijk, Head of Department International Financial Architecture, Chief Economist, LC Macro Advisors
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Moderation: Georg Ringe, Professor of Law and Economics, University of Hamburg

12:20 Lunch

13:20 Panel II – Discussion
Safe Assets Concepts and Market Discipline in the Euro Area: Fiction or Vision for Curing Banks States Circular Dependencies?

- Imbalances and the intrinsic Fragility of the Euro Area: How should ESBies help?
- Rationale and Fiscal Jeopardies: Consequences of Sovereign Insolvency Thinking
- South versus North Perspectives: Impasse for Sovereign Bonds Risk Weightings?
- Interim Solutions: How to give southern Member States a Way out of Constraints

Lee C. Buchheit, Partner, Cleary Gottlieb
Dr. Dietmar Hornung, Associate Managing Director, Moody’s
Dr. Reza Moghadam, Vice Chairman for Sovereigns and the Official Institutions, Morgan Stanley
Thierry Philippotinat, Director, Institut Friedland
Dr. Leopold von Thadden, Monetary Policy Strategy Division, European Central Bank

Moderation: Prof. Jörg Rocholl, President, ESMT Berlin

14:30 Controversy – Keynote Impulse
Dr. Thorsten Pötzsch, Federal Financial Supervisory Authority

14:45 Controversy – Discussion
Credibility of the Resolution Regime and Preference of Creditors: First Experiences with Decision Making, Liability and Bail-in

- Liquidity in Resolution, Markets Reactions and Risk Sharing: Lacking smart Solutions?
- No Creditor worse off-Stipulation: Gateway for undermining the Resolution Process?
- Decision Making and Transparency of Resolution Cases: More Confusion than Clarity?
- Application: Stakeholders, Law Suits and Stability Impact of contentious Environments
- Credibility of Bail-in: Will it be ever properly applied by European Resolution Authorities?

Giuseppe Boccuti, Director General, Italian Interbank Deposit Protection Fund
Sarny Harraz, Head of Policy Coordination and International Relations, Single Resolution Board
Dr. Sven Schielo, Partner, Linklaters
Prof. Tobias Tröger, Chair of Private Law, Trade and Business Law, Jurisprudence, Goethe University Frankfurt

Moderation: Bart Joosen, Professor of Financial Law, VU University Amsterdam

15:50 Coffee

16:20 Panel III – Keynote Impulses
Dr. Elisa Ferreira, Bank of Portugal
Odile Renaud-Basso, French Ministry for the Economy and Finance
Dr. Jörg Kukies, German Federal Ministry of Finance
Dr. Rolf Strauch, European Stability Mechanism

16:50 Panel III – Discussion
From Repair to Vision: Conceptions for a common beneficial and resilient financial Architecture and institutional Framework in the EU

- Accountability and democratic Responsibility of Institutions: How to organise better?
- From Fiction to Vision: How to tackle national Filter Bubbles and Stakeholder Interests?
- ESM, Rainy Day Fund, EDIS and Bad Banks: How to get to common Understandings?
- Diversity, Resilience and true Competition: How to re-balance the EU financial Sector?
- Hazardous Dynamics of regulatory Policies: How to deal with Symptoms of Rollbacks?

Dr. Elisa Ferreira, Vice Governor, Bank of Portugal
Dr. Jörg Kukies, State Secretary, German Federal Ministry of Finance
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Dr. Rolf Strauch, Member of the Management Board, European Stability Mechanism
Emiliano Tornese, Deputy Head, Resolution and Crisis Management Unit, European Commission, and Visiting Professor, College of Europe in Bruges

Moderation: Nicolas Véron, Senior Fellow, Bruegel and Peterson Institute for International Economics

18:10 Closing
Martin Aehling and Prof. Jörg Rocholl

18:15 Get together
FROM RISK REDUCTION TO RISK SHARING: HOW TO ALIGN OPPOSING POLICY CONCEPTS AND SHAPE A BALANCED FINANCIAL ARCHITECTURE IN THE EU

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