

# Delivering the Lisbon goals: The role of macro economic policy making

### 1st – 2nd March 2005, Boulevard du Roi Albert II, 5, Brussels

### Tuesday 1st March

10h00 Registration Welcome coffee/tea

10h30 Welcome and introduction

**Reiner Hoffmann**, Deputy General Secretary of the ETUC ETUC demands and perspectives for the Lisbon mid-term review

**11h00 José Manuel Barroso,** President of the European Commission

The mid-term review of the Lisbon strategy – a key priority of the European Commission

Followed by discussion

12h30 Lunch

14h00 First session: The Lisbon strategy and macro economic policy making: How to raise growth potential through aggregate demand side policies

**Ludwig Schubert**, formerly European Commission Investment, macro economic policy and potential growth

John Morley, Nottingham University

Aggregate demand and the labour market: Hysterisis and testing out structural unemployment

**Chris Allsopp**, Oxford University

Fiscal and monetary policy outside EMU: did non-EMU members react differently?

Chair of the session: Willi Koll, Bundesministerium für Wirtschaft und Arbeit, Berlin

15h30 Coffee/tea break

16h00 Second session: The agenda of structural reform and macro-policy making



**David Coats**, Associate Director, The Work Foundation, London The link of structural and macro policies in the Kok report

**Gustav Horn**, Institut für Makrooekonomie und Konjunkturforschung Structural reform and macro economic policy

**Raymond Torres**, Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

What have structural reforms delivered so far?

Chair of the session: **Evelyn Regner**, Östereichischer Gewerkschaftsbund (ÖGB)

17h30 End of the first day

## Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

09h00 Coffee/tea

## 09h30 Third session: Macro economic policy making in the first five years of the Lisbon strategy

**Jacky Fayolle**, Institut de recherches économiques et sociales, Paris Fiscal and monetary policy in EMU: how well has it managed the European business cycle?

**Rudolf Welzmüller (tbc)**, Industriegewerkschaft Metall, (IGM) The role of wages in the context of macro-economic policy

Ronald Janssen, Senior Advisor, ETUC

Wages in EMU: responsive to the slowdown or source of 'inflation stubbornness'?

Chair of the session: Iain Begg, London School of Economics

11h00 Coffee break

## 11h15 Fourth session: The way forward: Reforming Europe's macro policy regime

**Franz Nauschnigg**, Austrian National Bank, former Advisor to Austrian Finance Ministers

Macro economic policy making: Lessons from Austro-Keynesianism

12h00 Lunch



#### 13h30 Paul De Grauwe, University of Leuven

Perspectives for the reform of the Stability and Growth Pact

Joerg Bibow, Franklin College Switzerland

Refocusing the ECB on output stabilisation and growth through inflation targeting

**Andrew Watt**, European Trade Union Institute (ETUI)

Improving the macro policy mix by strengthening the macro economic dialogue

Chair of the session: **Eva Belabed**, Member, European Economic and Social Committee

15h30 Coffee/tea break

16h00 Final session: Perspectives to strengthen Economic governance and improving the Macro economic policy regime

**Joaquin Almunia**, European Commissioner for Economic and Monetary Affairs

Mia de Vits, Member of the European Parliament

Stefano Gori, CEEP, Vice-Chairman of the ECO Committee

John Monks, General Secretary of the ETUC

Moderator: Mark Schieritz, Financial Times Deutschland

17h45 End of conference