
Preliminary Programme

16th Workshop on Alternative Economic Policy in Europe

at the **University of Crete**, from **24-26 September 2010**,

organised by the **EuroMemorandum Group**

Friday afternoon 24 September

Plenary: The State of the Union

- The political and ecological state of the union. Birgit Mahnkopf (Berlin School of Economics and Law)
- The economic and social state of the union. George Stathakis (University of Crete)

Conference Dinner

Saturday morning 25 September

Workshop 1 – European policies and the destabilisation of member states

Coordinator: John Grahl (Middlesex University / j.gahl@mdx.ac.uk)

Themes: Prospects for affected countries & regions; the role of the ECB, Commission & IMF; the consequences of destabilisation for monetary union and the EU; promoting solidarity and effective coordination.

Workshop 2 – Finance, stability and regulation

Coordinator: Trevor Evans (Berlin School of Economics and Law / evans@hwr-berlin.de)

Themes: Financial capital in the aftermath of the crisis; the limits of financial regulatory reform in Europe - going beyond the De Larosière Report; towards the social control of banks and financial markets

Workshop 3 – Labour market and social policies in the EU

Coordinator: Diana Wehlau (University of Bremen / wehlau@uni-bremen.de)

Themes: Distributional effects of the crisis; poverty and wealth; impact of financial crisis on private pensions; unemployment and precarious employment; the »European year against poverty and social exclusion«

Workshop 4 – Environment and climate change after Copenhagen

Coordinator: Frieder Otto Wolf (Free University of Berlin / fow@snafu.de)

Themes: EU energy policy; demilitarisation & militarisation; solarisation & false renewables; agroecology & biotechnology

Saturday afternoon 25 September

Special plenary: Economic Growth and Sustainable Development

- Alain Lipietz (Former Presidential Candidate, French Greens)
- Sven Giegold (Member of the European Parliament, German Greens)

Final plenary on alternative policy proposals

Plenary discussion on key points for a progressive European policy based on draft texts from the workshops

Sunday morning 26 September

Business meeting

Organisational issues and preparations for the Euromemorandum 2010/11
