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## EUROFRAME CONFERENCE ON ECONOMIC POLICY ISSUES IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

### Challenges for Europe 2050

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### CALL FOR PAPERS

The EUROFRAME group of research institutes (CASE, CPB, DIW, ESRI, ETLA, IfW, NIESR, OFCE, PROMETEIA, WIFO) will hold its eleventh annual Conference on Economic Policy Issues in the European Union in Vienna on 12 June 2015. The aim of the conference is to provide an economic forum for debate on economic policy issues relevant in the European context.

Current long-term forecasts suggest much lower growth in Europe out to 2050. The Conference will focus on the **challenges for Europe in such a low growth environment**. Contributions should address issues related, first of all, to the causes of the slowdown of the European economy, secondly, to the potential negative consequences of a lower growth path in Europe for the social system, employment, welfare and the European socio-economic model. How to cope with them? How to get more welfare (as characterised by “beyond GDP” goals) out of potentially lower growth rates? How to deal with an aging population in a low growth scenario? How to finance the welfare state at a lower growth path? What would lower growth imply for the labour market and the relationship between growth and employment? What are the implications of lower growth rates for income distribution? How to retain high ecological standards at a lower growth path?

#### Submission Procedure

Abstracts should be submitted by e-mail until 16 March to [catherine.mathieu@ofce.sciences-po.fr](mailto:catherine.mathieu@ofce.sciences-po.fr). Abstracts (2 pages) should mention: title of communication, name(s) of the author(s), affiliation, corresponding author's e-mail address, postal address, telephone number.

Corresponding authors will be informed of the decision of the scientific committee by early April.

Full papers should be received by e-mail by 22 May.

Selected papers will be published after a reviewing process in a Conference Proceedings - Special issue of the *Revue de l'OFCE* or in the WWWforEurope Policy Papers Series.

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