



*European Economists for an Alternative Economic Policy in Europe*

**Call for Papers and Participation**

**24<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Alternative Economic Policy in Europe**

***10 years into the crisis – What prospects for a popular political economy in Europe?***

Dear colleagues

This year's EuroMemo Group conference will be jointly hosted with the University of Helsinki and will take place on 27-29 September 2018 (Thursday-Saturday) at the University of Helsinki.

Against the background of an increasingly alarming influence of right-wing nationalist and populist forces, the conference wants to facilitate discussion on progressive ideas, concepts and policies, on how to reconstruct a political integration project in Europe that is responsive to the economic and social needs of all groups and people affected by the severe economic crisis of the last ten years, and in particular of workers, the unemployed, the precariat, migrants and other vulnerable groups, also in a gender perspective.

The programme will be as follows:

Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> 2018

15.00 – 19.00 **Opening plenary on the state of the Union**

20.00 **Conference Dinner**

Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> 2018

10.00 – 13.30 **Workshops on key themes of EU policy**

14.30 – 16.00 **Plenary on policy proposals from workshops**

16.15 – 18.00 **Special plenary on the conference topic '10 years into the crisis – What prospects for a popular political economy in Europe?'**

Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> 2018

09.00 – 12.00 **Planning meeting: EuroMemorandum 2019 and other activities**

There will be a **public event** prior to the conference on September 27<sup>th</sup> 2018:

13.00 – 14.30 **'The future of the EMU'** (organised by the University of Helsinki)

**We would like to invite you to attend the conference and to submit proposals for contributions to the workshops.**

All papers that present an original perspective on the conference theme '10 years into the crisis – What prospects for a popular political economy in Europe?' are welcome. In particular, we encourage submissions that relate to recent European developments and are specific to one of the following topics

- Macroeconomic and financial policies
- Politics of structural reforms: critique and alternatives
- Economic and political divergences in the EU
- Social policies in Europe
- Migration policies and demographic change
- Nordic welfare model: crisis, erosion, prospects
- Crisis of the global political economy & world politics: the role of the EU (protectionism, trade wars)
- Conceptual frameworks and aspects of popular political economy as well as policy proposals for instance with respect to productive transformation, industrial policy, the solidarity economy etc.
- Socio-ecological transformation and a good life for all
- New democratic challenges to the status quo: what can we learn from the left-alliance government in Portugal, the labour party under Jeremy Corbyn, the Podemos project in Spain and other similar cases?

Proposals for papers together with a short abstract (maximum 250 words) should be submitted **by 15 May 2018** to [info@euromemo.eu](mailto:info@euromemo.eu). If possible, please indicate the topic which the proposal is intended for. If accepted, completed papers should be submitted **by 06 September 2018**.

**We strongly encourage participants to submit short papers (10-12 pages) and to explicitly address policy implications.**

If you would like to submit an abstract and/ or participate in the conference, please copy the registration form below into an email and reply to [info@euromemo.eu](mailto:info@euromemo.eu). Please note that there is no deadline for registering for participation only.

All submitted abstracts will be reviewed by the Steering Committee of the EuroMemo Group. **Accepted papers will be published on the conference website and there is also the possibility to publish papers presented at the conference within the EuroMemo Group Discussion Paper Series.**

Please note that there will be a conference fee collected at the venue to cover the cost of the conference (30 Euro regular fee / 10 Euro for students / 80 Euro for participants with institutional support).

An information sheet with practical information including details about **hotel bookings and transport** is attached. **Early booking is strongly recommended.**

We look forward to seeing you in Helsinki!

Best wishes,  
from the EuroMemo Group

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**Registration form for the 24<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Alternative Economic Policy in Europe**

(please reply to [info@euromemo.eu](mailto:info@euromemo.eu))

**Yes, I intend to participate in the 24<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Alternative Economic Policy in Europe**

(27-29 September 2018 in Helsinki)

First Name:

Last Name:

Institution:

City:

e-mail:

Yes, I wish to contribute a paper

Title of the Paper:

Abstract (max. 250 words):