

Seminar

European Decision-Making in the Budgetary Field:

Actors, Dynamics and Procedures

Maastricht (NL), 3-4 May 2010



European Institute of Public Administration
Institut européen d'administration publique

Provisional Programme

This two-day course will provide an intensive overview of the EU decision-making process in the budgetary field and the different ways in which the EU institutions interact in all phases of this process.

The seminar offers a discussion of the revenue and expenditure sides of the EU budget and provides an overview of the different aspects of the budgetary cycle including the revenue, the programming, the adoption, the execution, the evaluation and the discharge of the EU budget.

Participants will be given a clear and concise explanation of the budgetary procedures in place, the role of the different actors and the principles involved. Moreover, they will be given an insight into the linkage mechanisms between political strategy and elaboration of the budget and the possible tensions that it engenders.

The program will be offered by EIPA staff but an effort will be made to also incorporate a strong practitioners' perspective through the inclusion of Council and Commission officials. The programme below is a provisional programme established to clarify the possible content of the seminar.

MONDAY 3 MAY 2010

- 08.45 **Registration of Participants**
- 09.00 **Welcome, General Introduction and Opening of the Seminar**
Theo Jans, Senior Lecturer/Project Leader, EIPA
Alan Hardacre, Lecturer/Co-Project Leader, EIPA
- 09.15 **The Basics of a Budget: Actors, Procedures & Priorities**
Alan Hardacre
- 10.30 Coffee break
- 11.00 **The Revenue of the EU: Own Resources**
Theo Jans
- 12.00 **The Expenditure of the EU: The Structure**
Theo Jans
- 12.45 Lunch
- 14.00 **The Multiannual Financial Perspectives and Framework**
Johan Ureel, Head of Unit, DG Budget, European Commission
- 15.15 Coffee break
- 15.30 **The EU Budgetary Procedure**
Ilkka Saarihahti, General Secretariat, Council of the European Union
- 17.00 **End of the first day**
- 19.00 Dinner

TUESDAY 4 MAY 2010

- 09.00 **Activity-Based Budgeting and Spending Management**
Julio Escudero Bustamante, Head of Sector 'ABB and Financial Programming', DG Budget, European Commission (to be confirmed)
- 10.00 **Evaluation & Audit Procedures**
Andrea Mairate, Head of Unit 'Control and Audit II', DG Regional Policy, European Commission
- 11.00 Coffee break
- 11.15 **The European Parliament: Budgetary Control and Discharge**
Bent Adamsen, Committee on Budgetary Control, European Parliament (to be confirmed)
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.45 **The EU Budget: Detailed Analysis**
Ilkka Saarihahti
- 14.45 Coffee break
- 15.00 **EU Budget under Scrutiny – Discussion of Future Priorities**
Mats Persson, Research Director, Open Europe (UK)
Ilkka Saarihahti
Bent Adamsen
Julio Escudero Bustamante
- 16.45 **Evaluation and End of the Seminar**

EIPA's TEAM

Theo Jans *Senior Lecturer / Project Leader*
Alan Hardacre *Lecturer / Co-Project Leader*
Araceli Barragán *Programme Organiser*

General Information

Programme

The programme will commence on Monday 3 May at 09.00 and finish on Tuesday 4 May at 16.45.

Seminar Venue

The seminar will take place in the Bordeaux Conference Room (1.16) of the European Institute of Public Administration, O.L. Vrouweplein 22, NL-6211 HE Maastricht, tel.: +31.43.3296222, fax: +31.43.3296296.

Working language

The seminar will be conducted in English.

Fee

The participation fee is € 825 and includes documentation, 2 lunches, 1 dinner and refreshments. Accommodation and travel costs are at the expense of the participants or their administration.

Hotel reservations

The European Institute of Public Administration will be pleased to make hotel reservations for you at a hotel in Maastricht. We have made a block booking at Hotel Beaumont**** (www.beaumont.nl), at the rate of € 102 p.p.p.n. (incl. breakfast and tourist tax). Should you wish to make use of this possibility, please indicate the dates of arrival and departure on the registration form. Payment is to be made directly and personally to the hotel on checking out. Please note that if you register after the closing date, hotel reservations cannot be guaranteed.

Meals

Lunches will be served at the Institute's restaurant. Dinner will be at a local restaurant. Should you require a special menu (e.g. vegetarian, diabetic), please inform the Programme Organiser so that this can be arranged.

Registration

Kindly complete the registration form and return it before 19 April 2010 to:

Ms Araceli Barragán,
Programme Organiser,
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You can also submit the online registration form which you can find on EIPA's website: www.eipa.eu.

Your name and address will be part of EIPA's database for our mailing purpose only. If you do not want to be included in our mailing database, please tick the box in the registration form.

Confirmation

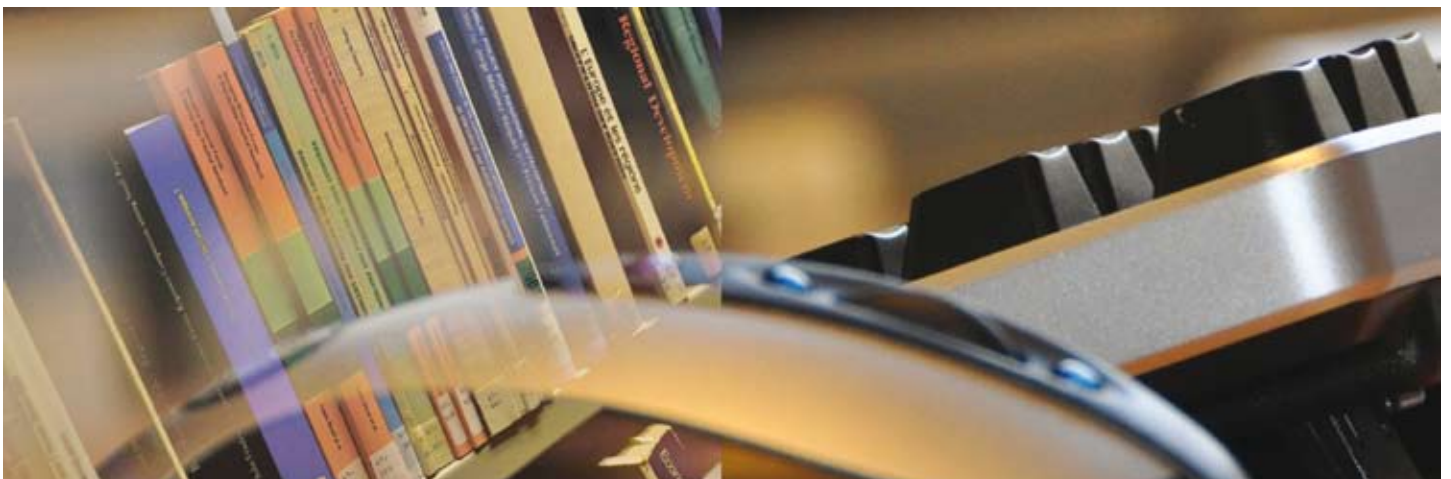
Confirmation of registration will be forwarded to participants on receipt of the completed registration form.

Payment

Prior payment is a condition for participation. Please indicate the method of payment on the registration form. For cancellations received after the closing date indicated on the registration form we will have to charge an administration fee of € 150 unless a replacement participant is found.

Cancellation policy

EIPA reserves the right to cancel the seminar up to 2 weeks before the starting date. EIPA accepts no responsibility for any costs incurred (travel, hotel, etc.). For EIPA's cancellation policy, please visit our website <http://seminars.eipa.eu> (FAQ – Legal notice).



Registration Form

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Surname: Title: M/F
First name:
Current position:
Organisation:
Department:
Work address:
Postal code & town: Country:
Tel. no: Fax no:
E-mail address:

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The participation fee includes participation in the seminar, documentation, 2 lunches, 1 dinner and beverages

€ 825

Special discount (Please check first the conditions at www.eipa.eu (FAQ – special discounts))

discount

Method of payment

Bank transfer

The participants or their administration will receive an invoice for the payment of the registration fee.

Invoice address (if different from the abovementioned address):

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E-mail:

Credit card

American Express Card Eurocard/Mastercard Visa Card

Card no.: Expiry date: /

Name Card holder: (in case this differs from above)

Address Card holder: (in case this differs from above)

Postal code: Country: (in case this differs from above)

Card Validation Code: (the last three digits on the BACK of your card)

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HOTEL RESERVATION

Please reserve hotel accommodation for me at Hotel Beaumont

Date of arrival: Date of departure: No. of nights:

No hotel reservation required.

MEALS

Lunch day 1: will attend will not attend

Lunch day 2: will attend will not attend

Dinner day 1: will attend will not attend

Vegetarian: yes Fish allowed: yes no Other dietary requirements:

As the number of places is limited, please return the completed registration form before 19 April 2010 to:

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