



SEMINAR OF THE EUROPEAN IDEAS NETWORK (EIN)  
JOINTLY WITH KONRAD-ADENAUER-  
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**“WEALTH CREATION FOR ALL - WHICH  
POLICIES HELP TO STRENGTHEN  
TRUST IN MARKET ECONOMIES?”**

**PROGRAM**

**9TH OCTOBER 2017**

**STARTUPS AND ENTREPRENEURIAL CULTURE –  
BACKBONE OF STRONG ECONOMIES**

**10TH OCTOBER 2017**

**SIZE AND SITUATION OF MIDDLE CLASSES IN  
EUROPE**

**CONFERENCE VENUE**  
HOTEL PESTANA  
STÜLERSTR. 6  
10787 BERLIN  
GERMANY

WORKING LANGUAGE: ENGLISH



Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017

- 15.00      **Welcome and Introduction:**
- **Paulo Rangel MEP**, *Vice-Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP, Responsible for Political Strategy and the European Ideas Network*
  - **Hans-Gert PÖTTERING**, *former President of the European Parliament, Chairman of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation*
- 15.30      **Round Table Startups and Entrepreneurial culture – Backbone of strong economies**
- Chair:
- Paul RÜBIG MEP**, *EPP Group Vice-Coordinator of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy and Member of the Committee on Budgets*
- Speakers:
- Luděk NIEDERMAYER MEP**, *Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs*
- Klaus-Heiner RÖHL** (Cologne Institute of Economic Research)
- Carsten MÜLLER MdB** (Committee of Economic Affairs and Energy)
- Laura KOHLER** (etventure Startup Hub)
- 17.00-18.00      Q&A and debate with the audience
- 18.00-19.30      Visit of a Berlin Startup "Get-your-wings" (Anabel Ternès)
- 20.00 - 22.00      **Dinner**
- Ludger SCHUKNECHT**, *Chief Economist & Head of the Directorate General Fiscal Policy and International Financial and Monetary Policy at the German Ministry of Finance*
- Introduction: **Paulo RANGEL MEP**, *Vice-Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP, Responsible for Political Strategy and the European Ideas Network Chairman of CDU/CSU-Group in the European Parliament*



Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2017

9.30 **Round Table Size and situation of Middle Classes in Europe**

*Chair:*

**Markus PIEPER MEP**, Chairman of the Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises Circle (SME Circle) of the EPP Group

*Speakers:*

**Sofia RIBEIRO MEP**, Member of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs

**Arjen SIEGMANN**, Economist (Academic Institute of CDA, Den Haag)

**Christian ARNDT** (HfWU Nuertingen-Geislingen University)

11.00 - 12.00 Q&A and debate with the audience

12.00 - 12.30 **Conclusions**

*Lunch*

**Venues:**

Workshop on Monday: Hotel Pestana

Workshop on Tuesday: Hotel Pestana

Dinner: Academy of Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung

Accommodation: Hotel Pestana