

Our objective

EU policy is of paramount - yet often underestimated - importance for all Member States. As a centre of excellence in the field of economic and legal policy, cep, with its 24 members of staff, therefore provides essential monitoring which is both informed and impartial.

- ▶ With **continuous observation** of economically relevant EU policy-developments, we offer comprehensive and up-to-date background information about European policy.
- ▶ We develop **concepts and strategies** for the future policy of the EU.
- ▶ We publish **analyses and impact assessments** on current policy proposals – before they are decided.
- ▶ We create **transparency** and awareness of European policy and its impact.
- ▶ We influence the formation of ideas and the political decision-making process by **informing and advising** decision-makers, the media and the general public.

Our work is interdisciplinary: our team of experts is divided equally between economists and lawyers.

Our mission

The body responsible for cep is the non-profit-making Stiftung Ordnungspolitik. The principles of a free, market-based system form the theoretical foundation of our work. We stand for:

- ▶ Solid **structures upholding** democracy, **freedom and the rule of law** in Europe.
- ▶ **Completion of the internal market**
 - ▶ with no regulatory barriers at the internal borders and
 - ▶ with free competition promoting efficiency throughout the EU.
- ▶ **Appropriate distribution of powers** in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity.
- ▶ **Minimising regulation** and bureaucracy in the EU.

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Since 2019, cep has also been represented in France with its own French-staffed office. This enables us to contribute to a better mutual understanding of the often very different interests of both countries and to develop market-based solutions capable of achieving a consensus.

Non-profit-making and independent

cep's work fulfils the requirements of a non-profit-making organisation which require it to be independent of vested interests and party-politically neutral.

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