



# Reforming the Eurozone: from failures to integration

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The Great Recession and the following national debt crises have been a major historical challenge threatening the process of European integration. The political and economic agenda followed so far have been exacerbating national asymmetries, paving the way for the emergence of a core-periphery divide among the European economies. The management of the national debt crises heralded fiscal consolidation whose failure yielded both a sluggish growth and an upsurge of social inequalities. In many European countries, the economic and social fragilities turned into political support for populist movements, several of which characterized by anti-democratic tendencies and advocacy for exit strategies. In the context of such a fragile European Union, both in terms of political legitimacy and of economic-policy tools, defining a coherent agenda to promote a process of integration looks rather urgent. To deal with that, the GROWINPRO project promotes a debate, open to the civil society, in order to dissect the causes of the disintegration tendencies, and to propose implementable policy schemes able to foster economic, social and political integration.

## Programme

- 14.30 Welcome - Sabina Nuti (Rector Sant'Anna School)
- 14.40 *The euro at twenty: can it still be saved?* - Francisco Louça (Instituto Superior de Economia e Gestão, Lisbon University)
- 15.20 *What policies to rebalance the European construction?* - Xavier Ragot (President, Observatoire français des conjonctures économiques OFCE, Paris)
- 16.00 Round-table: G. Dosi, F. Louça, X. Ragot, A. Roventini
- 16.45 Open Discussion
- 17.30 Conclusions

