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Graduate Workshop

Bankers, Investors, Economists and Ministers: in search of moral sentiments?

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This workshop, aimed at doctoral and advanced research students from Europaeum universities, will seek to unravel the relationship between markets and morality – a central concern of Adam Smith, alongside his better known writing on the workings of the "invisible hand".

The event will involve analysis and discussion of the role of markets and morality, trust and regulation, of economics and ethics, of corporate control and multilateral governance, not to mention the public role of Economists and even how Economics is taught.

Key questions for consideration will include: Are markets fair? Why do inequalities matter? How can we regulate banks and financial institutions? How should economics put a value on social capital and environmental costs?

What part did ethical failures play in the causes of the 2008 global crisis? Can anyone control global corporations? Can nation-states still pursue their own economic policies and political goals? Are indicators of well-being and happiness useful? Will our new reforms and regulations prevent further economnic crises. ? Why were Economists of so little use in preventing the build up of the crisis ? Are we teaching the right Economics in our universities? Is Economics descriptive or a tacit prescriptive ideology

As usual the accent will be on participation and discussion with participants. The graduate workshop will involve lectures, discussions, debates, and graduate presentations as well discussions in small working groups around ethics in the financial sectors across Europe, and dissecting the existence of homo economicus. The working language will be English, and the event is organized in cooperation with Charles University, Prague.

Speakers will come from several universities as well as banking, business and government. Speakers will include Andrew Graham (former Economic Adviser to UK Prime Minister, Oxford University); Vladimír Benáček (Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University); Tomáš Sedláček (Československá Obchodní Bank, author Economics of Good and Evil (OUP); Jan Sokol (Dean, Faculty of Humanities, Charles University), plus others.

Applications are being accepted from doctoral or advanced graduates from the universities within the Europaeum network. All local costs will be covered - apart from travel. They should be sent in the form of a CV (max. 2 pages), one or two recommendations, a letter of motivation, and a brief abstract of a proposed paper, to the Europaeum Office.

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