



The Altiero Spinelli Institute (Ventotene) and the Centre for Studies on Federalism (Turin), in collaboration with the Department of Political Sciences of the University of Roma Tre, the James Madison Trust and the Italian Council of the European Movement, are organising the Sixth European Seminar on the Future of European Union, devoted to the evolution of European economic governance and the future of European democracy.

The world financial crisis of 2008 had a peculiar impact in Europe, causing a sovereign debt crisis and the risk of Monetary Union collapsing. The weakness of European governance is still manifest, although a significant evolution has taken place in the instruments to reinforce European solidarity. Nowadays, we witness several shortcomings concerning European economic governance, with the twofold risk of a long-lasting recession of the European-wide economy and the shrinking of legitimacy of European institutions in satisfying the needs of European citizens.

The roadmap of the Four Presidents in 2012 had set the path for action, implying ambitious steps to be taken both in the realm of economic governance and in the strengthening of the democratic legitimacy of its institutions. The newly issued document is weak and more vague, insufficient to tackle the present dramatic situation. The aim of the seminar is to explore the needs for changes in the European economic and political governance.



From Intergovernmental to Federal Economic Governance

Friday 28 August 2015 15.30-19.00

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European Democracy: Which model for the EU?

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