

Fiscal Policy and Labour Market Reforms

- 09:00-09:10 **Welcome and introduction**
Professor Lars Calmfors, IIES, Stockholm University, Chairman of the Swedish Fiscal Policy Council
- 09:10-10:00 **Long-term objectives for government debt**
Professor Alan Auerbach, University of California, Berkeley
Discussant: Professor Kjetil Storesletten, University of Oslo
- 10:00-10:45 **The contribution of fiscal policy to the stabilisation of the business cycle**
Professor Roel Beetsma, University of Amsterdam
Discussant: Professor Lars E O Svensson, Riksbanken
- 10:45-11:15 Coffee
- 11:15-12:00 **Prudent fiscal policy under uncertainty about revenues and labour market reforms**
Professor Rick van der Ploeg, European University Institute
Discussant: Professor John Hassler, IIES, Stockholm University
- 12:00-13:00 Lunch
- 13:00-13:30 **Keynote speech: The speed with which labour market reforms work - lessons from international experience**
Acting Head Jørgen Elmeskov, Economics Department, OECD
- 13:30-14:15 **Equilibrium unemployment and equilibrium employment in Sweden**
Associate Professor Anders Forslund, IFAU
Discussant: Professor Bertil Holmlund, Uppsala University