



AGENDA

**The squeezed middle class in OECD and emerging countries – myth and reality**

**Date:** 1 -2 December 2016

**Location:** OECD headquarters, Paris

**DAY TWO: Friday 2 December**

*Distributional Tensions and the Social Contract – a dialogue among the EC, the OECD, the WB and Researchers*

<b>09:45-10:00</b>	<b>Welcome coffee and viennoiserie</b>
<b>10:00-10:30</b>	<b>Welcome remarks: Martine Durand (OECD)</b> <b>Stefano Scarpetta (OECD)</b> <b>Maurizio Bussolo (World Bank)</b>
<b>10:30-12:30</b>	<b>Session 1: Setting the scene and discussion</b> <i>Moderator: Ana Revenga (World Bank)</i>  <i>Panellists: Georg Fischer (European Commission)</i> “Debate and recent policy initiatives of the EC on fighting poverty and addressing inequality” <b>Stefano Scarpetta (OECD)</b> “Social mobility – equality of opportunities” <b>Maurizio Bussolo (World Bank)</b> “Distributional tension and the Social Contract in Europe”
<b>12:30-14:00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
	<b>PART I</b>
<b>14:00-15:00</b>	<b>Session 2: “Recent distributional tensions in Europe”</b>  <u>Key themes and issues for discussion:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The recent evolution of income inequality</li> <li>• The evolution of social mobility and inequality of opportunity</li> <li>• The inequality between generations</li> </ul> <i>Moderator: Vito Peragine (University of Bari)</i> <i>Panellists: Andrea Brandolini (Bank of Italy)</i> <b>Daniele Checchi (LIS)</b> <b>Markus Jäntti (SOFI Stockholm University)</b>



	<p><b>Andreas Peichl</b> (ZEW, University of Mannheim)  <b>Ana Lena Nozal</b> (OECD)  <b>Céline Thevenot</b> (OECD)</p>
<b>15:00-15:30</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>15:30-16:30</b>	<p><b>Session 3: “Distributional tensions and the role of perceptions”</b></p> <p><u>Key themes Issues for discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inequality and subjective wellbeing;</li> <li>• Is there a mismatch between perception and objective measures of distributional change?</li> <li>• Perceptions and demand for redistribution;</li> </ul> <p><i>Moderator:</i> <b>Michael Förster</b> (OECD)</p> <p><i>Panellists:</i> <b>Carlotta Balestra</b> (OECD)  <b>Michelle Brock</b> (European Bank for Reconstruction and Development)  <b>Andrew Clark</b> (Paris School of Economics)  <b>Ada Ferrer-i-Carbonell</b> (Institute for Economic Analysis - CSIC)</p>
<b>16:30-17:30</b>	<p><b>Session 4: “Distributional tensions: towards a new social contract?”</b></p> <p><u>Key themes Issues for discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is the current social protection system still working for everybody?</li> <li>• More generally the current level of redistribution is adequate?</li> <li>• How could a new social contract look like?</li> </ul> <p><i>Moderator:</i> <b>Mark Pearson</b> (OECD)</p> <p><i>Panellists:</i> <b>Elena Ianchovichina</b> (Lead economist, World Bank’s Middle East and North Africa Region )  <b>Marc Fleurbaey</b> (Princeton University)  <b>Luis-Felipe Lopez-Calva</b> (Lead Economist, Poverty Advisor, World Bank)  <b>Horacio Levy</b> (OECD)</p>
<b>17:30-17:45</b>	<p><b>Closing remarks</b>  <b>François Bourguignon</b></p>