



The 2011 EIB Conference in Economics & Finance

Productivity and Long-Term Growth Potential in Europe: ICT, the e-Economy and Economic Dynamism

Thursday, 27 October 2011

Board Room, European Investment Bank, West Building
100, boulevard Konrad Adenauer, Luxembourg

08.45 **Registration and coffee**

09.15 **Opening address**

- **Philippe Maystadt**, President of the EIB

SESSION 1. Productivity growth in Europe

- *"Growth in the US and Europe: a sectoral decomposition"*
Kristian Uppenberg (Economics Department, EIB)
- *"Determinants of growth"*
Bruno van Pottelsberghe (Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management – ULB, and Bruegel)
- *"The role of international production sharing in EU productivity and competitiveness"*
Gianmarco Ottaviano (Bocconi University)

10.45 – 11.15 **Coffee break**

SESSION 2. Policies to boost productivity growth

- *"Growth policy after the crisis"*
André Sapir (Bruegel)
- *"Regulation and productivity"*
Giuseppe Nicoletti (OECD)
- *"Firm dynamics and productivity growth"*
John Haltiwanger (University of Maryland)
- *Discussant: Richard Cawley* (European Commission, DG Research)

13.00 – 14.30 **Lunch break**

SESSION 3. The e-Economy in Europe

- *"ICT capital and productivity growth"*
Hubert Strauss (Economics Department, EIB)
- *"The economic impact of fixed and mobile high speed networks"*
Jussi Hätönen (Projects Directorate, EIB)
- *Discussant: Andreas Fier* (Deutsche Telekom)
- *"From ICT to the e-Economy"*
Erik Brynjolfsson (MIT)

16.15 **Concluding comments**

- **Plutarchos Sakellaris**, EIB Vice President