



Workshop:

**The OMC within the Lisbon strategy: Empirical assessments and
theoretical implications, 28-29 November 2008, Vienna**

Friday 28 November

9:15: Welcome, **Sandra Kröger** (Universität Bremen)

9:30 – 10:00: **Sandra Kröger** (Universität Bremen): The OMC nine years after and no little wiser?

Pause

10:15-11:15: **Torsten Niechoj** (Hans-Böckler Stiftung, Düsseldorf): Supranational coordination but national fragmentation? Interplay of European labour market policy and wage setting in Germany

Comment: Oliver Treib (Institut für Höhere Studien, Wien)

11:15 – 12:15: **Timo Weishaupt** (Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung). The European Employment Strategy and the Reform of National Social and Labor Market Policies: Money, Votes, or Good Ideas?

Comment: Oliver Treib

12:30: Lunch

14:00-15:00: **Michaela Willert** (Freie Universität Berlin): Policy transfer and institutionalism. The case of the pension OMC

Comment: Oliver Treib

Pause

15:15-16:15: **Bart Vanhercke** (University of Amsterdam, OSE, CESO): When immovable objects meet ideas whose time have come. The soft Europeanisation of pension policies in Belgium

Comment: Oliver Treib

16:15-17:15: **Mariely Lopez Santana** (George Mason University, Virginia): The Multilevel Governance of the European Employment Strategy
Comment: Johannes Pollak

19:30: Dinner

Saturday 29 November

9:30-10:30: **Anna Horvath** (Central European University, Budapest): Encouraging Cooperation? Perceptions of Effectiveness within the Social Protection Committee
Comment: Johannes Pollak, Institut für europäische Integrationsforschung, Wien

Pause

10:45-11:45: **Mark Flear** (Queens University Belfast): Neoliberalism, The Open Method of Coordination and the Undemocratic Governance of Health
Comment: Johannes Pollak

11:45-12:45: **Mark Dawson** (EUI, Florence): EU Law 'Transformed'? Evaluating legality and legitimacy in the 'streamlined' OMC SPSI
Comment: Johannes Pollak

13:00: Lunch

14:15: Upcoming steps and closure: **Sandra Kröger**