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### **Economic Development and Resilience by EU Member States**

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**organized by Sapienza University of Rome, Department of Social Sciences and Economics**

*in partnership with:*

**West University of Timisoara, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration**  
**University of Malta, Faculty of Economics, Management and Accountancy**  
**University of Latvia, Faculty of Economics and Management**  
**University of Lodz, Faculty of Economics and Sociology**  
**Democritus University of Thrace, Faculty of Management Science and Accounting**

#### **Summary programme**

**November 7, 2024:** Informal Dinner (20:00h)

**November 8, 2024:** Scientific Conference (09:00-17:00h; Co-chairs: Simon Grima, Andrea Imperia)

**November 8, 2024:** Gala Dinner (20:00-22:00h; Venue: Casa dell'Aviatore, viale dell'Università, 20)

**November 9, 2024:** Workshop on Joint Research Projects, Rome Tour

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**November 8, 2024**

**Conference venue:**

The Sapienza University of Rome, Faculty of Political Science (Piazzale Aldo Moro, 5)

**Conference moderator:**

Rebecca Dalli Gonzi (University of Malta, Malta)

Time	Title	Authors/ presenters
09:00–09:10	Opening of the Conference	Andrea Imperia (Sapienza University of Rome, Italy)
09:10–09:20	Welcome from the Head of the Department of Social Sciences and Economics	Emma Galli (Sapienza University of Rome, Italy)
09:20–09:35	Keynote speech: <i>Emerald Series on Contemporary Studies in Economic and Financial Analysis (CSEF)</i>	Simon Grima (University of Malta, Malta)
09:35–09:45	Keynote speech: <i>New research project on sovereignism in European countries, for Emerald</i>	Andrea Imperia (Sapienza University of Rome, Italy)
09:45–10:00	Keynote speech: <i>The development of the Emerald Book CSEF V115 „Economic Development and Resilience by EU Member States“</i>	Inna Romānova (University of Latvia, Latvia)
10:00–10:15	Keynote speech: <i>The scientific implications resulting from the Emerald Book CSEF V115 „Economic Development and Resilience by EU Member States“</i>	Dimitrios Maditinos (Democritus University of Thrace, Greece)
10:15–10:30	Keynote speech: <i>Navigating economic waters: Development and resilience in EU Member States: An introduction</i>	Eleftherios Thalassinos (University of Piraeus, Greece)
10:30–10:45	Keynote speech: <i>Technological innovation and environmental performance within the European Union</i>	Grațiela Georgiana Noja (West University of Timisoara, Romania)



<b>10:45–11:00</b>	<b>Keynote speech: <i>The importance of multinationals in strengthening economic resilience</i></b>	<b>Tomasz Dorożyński (University of Lodz, Poland)</b>
<b>11:00–11:15</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	
<b>11:15–11:30</b>	<b>Regional economic, social, and healthcare disparities among the European Union member states</b>	<b>Małgorzata Stefania Lewandowska, Arkadiusz Michał Kowalski, Dawid Majcherek (Warsaw School of Economics, Poland), Scott William Hegerty (Northeastern Illinois University, USA)</b>
<b>11:30–11:45</b>	<b>Taxonomy of cluster models: European perspectives on global trends</b>	<b>Arkadiusz Michał Kowalski (Warsaw School of Economics, Poland)</b>
<b>11:45–12:00</b>	<b>International trade. Single European Market</b>	<b>Margarita Dunska, Krišs Jānis Dombrovskis (University of Latvia, Latvia)</b>
<b>12:00–12:15</b>	<b>The leading industries in the new EU Member States and their contribution to increasing the EU's export potential</b>	<b>Ileana Tache (Transilvania University of Brasov, Romania)</b>
<b>12:15–12:30</b>	<b>Financial sector development in New EU Member States</b>	<b>Marina Kudinska, Irina Solovjova, Inna Romānova (University of Latvia, Latvia)</b>
<b>12:30–12:45</b>	<b>Managing climate change risks and environmental challenges towards sustainable development within the European Union</b>	<b>Marilen-Gabriel Pirtea, Grațiela Georgiana Noja, Nicoleta-Claudia Moldovan, Irina-Maria Grecu, Alexandra-Mădălina Țăran (West University of Timisoara, Romania)</b>
<b>12:45–13:00</b>	<b>Quality of life in the European Union</b>	<b>Kesra Nermend (University of Szczecin, Poland), Simon Grima (University of Malta, Malta)</b>
<b>13:00–14:00</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>	
<b>14:00–14:15</b>	<b>Digitalization and productivity improvement</b>	<b>Vida Davidavičienė, Alma Maciulyte-Sniukiene (Vilnius Gediminas Technical University, Lithuania)</b>



<b>14:15-14:30</b>	<b>The labour market, human capital and migration. Ageing and stratification of society</b>	<b>Biruta Sloka (University of Latvia, Latvia)</b>
<b>14:30-14:45</b>	<b>Globalization, economic integration, and labour market dynamics within the European Union</b>	<b>Alina Ionașcu, Grațîela Georgiana Noja, Simona Oprean (West University of Timisoara, Romania)</b>
<b>14:45-15:00</b>	<b>Development of self-perceived health evaluations in New EU countries</b>	<b>Anna Angena (University of Latvia, Latvia)</b>
<b>15:00-15:15</b>	<b>The convergence process in Central and Eastern Europe</b>	<b>Loredana Mirra (Tor Vergata University of Rome, Italy)</b>
<b>15:15-15:30</b>	<b>Does the quality of governance have the power to attract foreign investors? Evidence from the EU-13 Member States</b>	<b>Tomasz Dorożyński, Anetta Kuna-Marszałek, Bogusława Dobrowolska (University of Lodz, Poland)</b>
<b>15:30-15:45</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	
<b>15:45-16:00</b>	<b>Tendencies on involvement in adult education in New European Union countries</b>	<b>Ilze Buligina (University of Latvia, Latvia)</b>
<b>16:00-16:15</b>	<b>Higher education institutions' responses to digital transformation within the European Union: skills development and smart specialization</b>	<b>Grațîela Georgiana Noja, Ciprian Pânzaru (West University of Timisoara, Romania), Mirela Cristea (University of Craiova, Romania), Eleftherios Thalassinou (University of Piraeus, Greece)</b>
<b>16:15-16:30</b>	<b>Human capital in the context of industry 4.0: Inferences for EU countries</b>	<b>Andra Miculescu, Maria Daniela Oțil, Roxana Ioan (West University of Timisoara, Romania)</b>
<b>16:30-16:45</b>	<b>Cultural intelligence as mediator between curiosity and entrepreneurial intentions: Evidence from the European Union</b>	<b>Bogdan Marculescu (Xi'an JiaoTong-Liverpool University, China), Laura Brancu (West University of Timisoara, Romania), Adriana Burlea-Schiopoiu (University of Craiova, Romania), Marius Pantea (West University of Timisoara, Romania)</b>

<b>16:45–17:00</b>	<b>Productivity and competitiveness: future challenges</b>	<b>Inna Šteinbuka (University of Latvia, Latvia), Oļegs Barānovs (Ministry of Economics, Latvia), Jānis Salmiņš (Ministry of Education and Science, Latvia), Irina Skribāne (University of Latvia, Latvia)</b>
<b>17.00</b>	<b>CONCLUDING REMARKS and GENERAL DISCUSSION</b>	<b>Andrea Imperia, Simon Grima, Inna Romānova, Graġiela Georgiana Noja, Tomasz Dorożyński, Eleftherios Thalassinou</b>
<b>20:00–22:00</b>	<b>Conference Gala Dinner Venue: Casa dell'Aviatore (Viale dell'Università, 20)*</b> <i>* the dinner is self-paid; please note that a tie is appreciated but NOT compulsory for men.</i>	

### **November 9, 2024**

- 09:00–11:00 Workshop on Joint Research Projects**
- 11:00–17:00 Rome tour**
- 19:00 Dinner (optional)**

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