

CONNEX – Centre d'études européennes (FNSP) – OFCE (FNSP)

WORKSHOP

“Independence and accountability : the case of the European Central Bank (ECB)”

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Location: Paris Sciences-po (salle F.Goguel)

Date: 24 October 2006

Language : French and English

**Provisional programme.**

**09.00-11.00 : Session I. The ECB independence : historical perspective and current practices.**

*Jean-Victor Louis*, ULB

*Hubert Kempf*, Paris I/Banque de France

*Jacques Le Cacheux* and *Eloi Laurent*, OFCE : « Self-proclaimed independence »

General discussion

**11.00 : Coffee break**

**11.30-13.00 : Session II. Keeping the ECB under control : a comparative outlook.**

*Deirdre Curtin*, Utrecht: “Accountability and control in EU law and institutional practice”

*Nicolas Jabko*, CERI: “Central bank accountability practices in the European union, the United States and Japan”

Discussant: *Jim Rollo*, Sussex

**13.00-14.30: Lunch**

**14.30-16.00: Session II (end).**

*Jean-Paul Fitoussi*, OFCE : « le rôle des experts dans les mécanismes de contrôle »

*Iain Begg*, LSE: “Contested meanings of transparency in central banking”

Discussant: *Renaud Dehousse*, CEE

**16.00-16.30 : Coffee break**

**16.30-17.30 : Session III. How could accountability be strengthened?**

Panel discussion with the participation of : *Chiara Zilioli* (ECB); *Jacques Le Cacheux* (OFCE); *Jérôme Creel* (OFCE); to be completed.