









# **One-Day Conference**

# Decent Jobs and Wage-led Growth in the UK and Europe

co-organized by
Greenwich Political Economy Research Centre (GPERC)
Foundation of European Progressive Studies (FEPS)
Think-tank for Action on Social Change (TASC)
Kingston University Political Economy Research Group (PERG)

Thursday, 28 April 2016 Time: 14:45-20:00

University of Greenwich, King William Court Room KW303, Old Royal Naval College, Park Row, London, SE10 9LS, (UK)

The University of <u>Greenwich Political Economy Research Centre</u> welcomes you to a day conference on "Decent Jobs and Wage-led Growth in the UK and Europe," where we will present the findings of two new research projects on "<u>Wage-Led Growth in Europe? Effects of Changes in Income Distribution and Financialization on Growth</u>" and "<u>Working Conditions in Ireland</u>".

Speakers include John McDonnell MP; Professor Ozlem Onaran from the Greenwich Political Economy Research Centre, co-author of the report <u>Wage-led growth in Europe</u> and the policy brief on <u>Progressive Policy Alternatives</u>; Professor Engelbert Stockhammer from Kingston University, co-author of the report "Financialisation and the demand effects of changes in functional income distribution in the EU;" Professor James Wickham and Dr. Alicja Bobek of TASC, co-authors of the report <u>Working Conditions in Ireland</u>; Professor Francis Green of the Institute of Education and co-author of the book "Unequal Britain at Work;" and Dr. Geoff Tily of the Trade Union Congress.

Please register here

## **Programme**

14:45 -15:00 Registration, Coffee and tea

#### 15:00-16:30 Session 1: Decent Jobs in Europe and the UK

Chair and opening remarks: David Begg, TASC, Director

Professor James Wickham and Dr. Alicja Bobek, TASC, "Workers' Experience of New Employment Strategies: The Irish Case"

Professor Francis Green, Institute of Education, Unequal Britain at Work

**16:30-17:00** Coffee and tea break

## 17:00-19:30 Session 2: Policies for wage-led growth in the UK and Europe

Chair and opening remarks: Dr. Ernst Stetter, FEPS, Secretary General

Professor Ozlem Onaran, University of Greenwich, GPERC Director, A Wage-led growth strategy in the UK and Europe: The effects of income distribution on growth, investment, trade balance, and inflation: See the <u>Policy Brief</u>, <u>Policy Report</u>, and <u>Technical Report</u> and <u>Summary</u>, co-authored with Thomas Obst

Professor Engelbert Stockhammer, Kingston University, "Financialisation and the demand effects of changes in income distribution: alternatives to debt-led growth," co-authored with Rafael Wildauer

John McDonnell MP, Shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer

Dr. Geoff Tily, Trade Union Congress, Senior Economist, "Wages, demand and the economy"

**19:30-20:00** Wine reception



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- Expand the range of evidence-informed and progressive options for policy and practice.

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#### LONDON UNDERGROUND (TUBE)

For connections from the Tube network, the quickest option is to alight at Canary Wharf station on the Jubilee Line and get a DLR Lewisham bound train to Cutty Sark station.

#### **BUS**

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