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TAX INCENTIVES FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT: IS THERE AN OPTIMAL POLICY MIX?

Using the tax system to support research and development has become a very popular policy tool. Many countries are implementing incentives such as tax credits, patent boxes and direct subsidies to stimulate new R&D. But is there really a causal relationship between these policies and the R&D spending done by the businesses receiving the incentives? And if so, is this R&D productive, and does it have an impact on the wider economy?

For our joint lunch debate with CEPS, we are delighted to present the latest research into this area, from Saïd Business School at the University of Oxford. We bring together the authors of the research with tax and policy experts to ask: is there an optimal policy mix for incentivizing R&D?

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OUR PANEL

Moderator:
Jennifer Baker
Jennifer Baker has been a journalist in print, radio and television for more than 20 years, the last 10+ specialising in EU policy and legislation in the technology sector. Jennifer combines insider knowledge with a passion for live communication, moderating events and conferences of all sizes.

Panelist:
İrem Güçeri
İrem Güçeri's research focuses on policy evaluation, coprporate taxation, productivity, R&D and innovation. In Oxford, Irem lectures in Finance and Government Policy for Business. Previously, she worked at the World Bank as part of the Europe and Central Asia region. She is still involved in government and World Bank projects as a consultant.
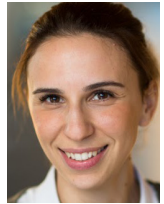
Panelist
Ruzica Rakic
Ruzica Rakic has been an Economic Analyst in DG Research and Innovation (Chief Economist unit) at the European Commission since 2019. Her policy and research work focuses on R&D investments and sustainability. Ruzica holds a PhD in Economics from Humboldt University of Berlin.

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12:30	**Introduction and welcome** **Jennifer Baker** (Journalist and Moderator)
12.35	**Opening Remarks** **İrem Güçeri** (EconPol Europe, University of Oxford) **Ruzica Rakic** (European Commission)
12.45	**Panel Discussion** **Moderator: Jennifer Baker** Including questions and answers from viewers
13:30	**End**

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The network's joint interdisciplinary research covers sustainable growth and best practice, reform of EU policies and the EU budget, capital markets and the regulation of the financial sector, and governance and macroeconomic policy in the European Monetary Union.The network was founded in spring 2017 by the ifo Institute, along with eight renowned

European research institutes. A further five associate partners were added to the network in January 2019.

The foundation of EconPol Europe was made possible by an initiative of the German Federal Ministry of Finance (BMF) to intensify and deepen cross-border research and cooperation in Europe. The ifo Institute was commissioned by the BMF to set up this independent network, providing evidence-based policy advice to inform the economic and fiscal policy debate in Europe.

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