

Wirtschaftspolitische Gespräche

**Donnerstag 5. Juni 2014, 10-12 Uhr
(anschl. Mittagsbuffet)
WKO Skylounge, 4., Wiedner Hauptstraße 63**

Fiscal Consolidation and Growth

The need to bring down public debt poses difficult choices about the size and nature of productive and redistributive government activity. Should spending be cut or taxes be raised? Which strategy yields more long-lasting effects? How can fiscal consolidation be combined with growth enhancing policies to help the nation grow out of its debt? What are the intergenerational consequences of fiscal consolidation? How can consolidation policies be explained to voters? Will debt brakes and the fiscal compact be enough to prevent a renewed trend towards higher debt in the future?

Welcome Address

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President of the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber, WKO

Panel

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