

Our objective

EU policy is of paramount - yet often underestimated - importance for all Member States. As a centre of excellence in the field of economic and legal policy, cep, with its 24 members of staff, therefore provides essential monitoring which is both informed and impartial.

- ▶ With **continuous observation** of economically relevant EU policy-developments, we offer comprehensive and up-to-date background information about European policy.
- ▶ We develop **concepts and strategies** for the future policy of the EU.
- ▶ We publish **analyses and impact assessments** on current policy proposals – before they are decided.
- ▶ We create **transparency** and awareness of European policy and its impact.
- ▶ We influence the formation of ideas and the political decision-making process by **informing and advising** decision-makers, the media and the general public.

Our work is interdisciplinary: our team of experts is divided equally between economists and lawyers.

Our mission

The body responsible for cep is the non-profit-making Stiftung Ordnungspolitik. The principles of a free, market-based system form the theoretical foundation of our work. We stand for:

- ▶ Solid **structures upholding** democracy, **freedom and the rule of law** in Europe.
- ▶ **Completion of the internal market**
 - ▶ with no regulatory barriers at the internal borders and
 - ▶ with free competition promoting efficiency throughout the EU.
- ▶ **Appropriate distribution of powers** in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity.
- ▶ **Minimising regulation** and bureaucracy in the EU.

cepFrance & ceptaly

cepFrance was founded in 2019 as a non-profit foundation fund (fonds de dotation) with headquarters in Paris and French employees, in 2020 ceptaly was founded with headquarters in Rome. In close cooperation, cepFrance, ceptaly and cep in Germany want to contribute to a better mutual understanding of the often very different interests of the three countries and to develop market-based solutions capable of achieving a consensus.

Partner institutes in other European countries are being planned.

Non-profit-making and independent

cep's work fulfils the requirements of a non-profit-making organisation which require it to be independent of vested interests and party-politically neutral.

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