



## Venice Summer Institute 2003

### Workshop on “Monetary Unions after EMU ”

21 July to 22 July 2003



From 21 July to 26 July 2003, CESifo will host its fourth **Summer Institute** in Venice, Italy. The CESifo Summer Institute 2003 will bring together international economists working on economic policy topics for workshops, panel meetings and discussion. This year's workshops will focus on monetary unions after EMU, tax policy and labour market performance, insurance economics, taxation and the family, and the economic crisis in Japan. The conference venue is San Servolo, an island across the water from San Marco in the bay of Venice.

The successful start of EMU is a unique historical experience. It has changed the monetary landscape in Europe, and it is likely to influence future attempts at building monetary unions in other parts of the world. In addition, it is likely to change economists' views about the desirability of monetary unions. It is therefore interesting to take stock.

The workshop will bring together researchers studying policy issues relating to the theory and the empirics of monetary unions. The focus will be on recent developments in the theory of optimal currency areas in the post-EMU period, and on the desirability and practicability of building monetary unions in other parts of the world. The keynote lecture will be given by **Michael Artis**, European University Institute

CESifo hereby invites the submission of papers for the workshop on "Monetary Unions after EMU". Papers may deal with theoretical issues relating to the theory of optimal currency areas, empirical issues aiming at estimating the costs and benefits of forming other monetary unions in the world, and on issues relating to the enlargement of the eurozone to Central Europe, the UK, Denmark and Sweden.

Papers should be submitted to

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Submission of papers by e-mail (in pdf format) is welcome. The deadline for submission is **31 March 2003**. Authors of submitted papers will be notified by the end of April whether their paper has been accepted for the conference. Some of the papers will also be invited from leading researchers who have contributed to the recent literature on optimal currency areas. A selection of the conference papers will be published in a conference volume by MIT Press, following a refereeing process, and pre-published as CESifo working papers. It is understood that all submissions to the conference imply submission to these publication outlets.

CESifo will provide accommodation and will reimburse economy travel costs for all participants with accepted papers or other active roles in the conference. Other CESifo network members and doctoral students of VIU partner Universities are invited to participate in the conference, but are expected to provide their own funding for travel and accommodation.