

EXPERT SEMINAR

Brexit and the EU Budget

April 20, 2017 from 3:00pm to 5:00pm

France Stratégie

18, rue de Martignac - 75007 Paris

PROGRAMME

The British decision to leave the EU will have important consequences for EU's public finances. Budget issues will be central in the negotiation of the withdrawal agreement as the EU and the UK will have to reach a compromise on the so-called 'divorce cost', and the UK's withdrawal from the Union will leave a permanent funding gap to the EU budget which may seriously complicate the negotiations of the next EU multiannual financial framework.

How shall we approach the negotiation of the divorce bill? What could be the basis of an acceptable compromise? What will be the amount of the funding gap left by Brexit and how could the EU adjust to this expected budget shortfall?

In this seminar we will discuss these questions on the basis of two papers recently published by the Jacques Delors Institute (JDI) and the Centre for European Reform (CER). The authors of these papers will outline the key conclusions of their papers, after which we will have an off-the-record discussion with the participants.

3:00pm INTRODUCTION

Vincent AUSSILLOUX, Director of the Economie-Finance department at France Stratégie

Yves BERTONCINI, Director of the Jacques Delors Institute of analyst, Statistics Sweden

3:15pm PRESENTATION OF TWO PAPERS

Alex BARKER, Brussels bureau chief, Financial Times

Eulalia RUBIO, Senior researcher, Jacques Delors Institute

3:45pm Q&A WITH THE AUDIENCE

The debate will be chaired by **John SPRINGFORD**,
Director of research at the Centre for European Reform (CER)