## END OF CAPITALISM OR A NEW REFORM PERIOD

Seminar at Københavns Professionshøjskole, Tagensvej 18, Building C (more information just inside the door), 2200 Copenhagen N.

Friday October 5, 2018 from 09:00 – 15:00

Arranged by Network of Economic Political Debate (NETØK)



After 2008 the EU consensus about what to do against the economic crisis seems to be Austerity Policy. The arguments from economists have been neoclassical trust in market forces stabilization. Germany has been the leader of that strategy. In general, the policy has been accepted in EU-North.

The only opposition against that policy from inside EU came from Portugal. In 2015, a center-left socialist government with support from communists and left-socialists came into power. Against right-wing economists and people from EU the government has fulfilled the EU claims and at the same time started up economic growth, diminishing unemployment and cancelled diverse attacks against people employed in public sector and pensions.

The most important effect from the Portuguese change in economic policy has probably been a renewed discussion about economic policy in the EU countries. Our hope is to give inspiration to that much-needed debate also in Denmark.

## **PROGRAM**

09:00 - 09:10: Jørgen Lindgaard Pedersen: Welcome and the program of the seminar

09:10 - 09:55: Heiner Flassbeck, economist in research and policy in Germany and UNCTAD. His analyses and comments can be found by opening the following link <a href="https://makroskop.eu/?fe=redirected">https://makroskop.eu/?fe=redirected</a> : Analysis and Critique of German Austerity Policy

09:55 - 10:30: Discussion

10:30 - 10:45: Coffee break

10:45 - 11:15: Vitor Escária, associate professor, University of Lisbon: *The new economic Policy in Portugal from 2015 – 2018* 

11:15 - 11:45: Discussion

11:45 - 12:30: Lunch

12:30 - 13:00: Britta Thomsen, expert in Portuguese society and politics, former member European Parliament: *Cooperation on economic policy at the left in EU - South* 

13:00 - 13:30: Discussion

13:30 - 14:15: Bent Gravesen, konsulent i FOA: Langsigtede konsekvenser af konjunktur- og strukturpolitik af tysk henholdsvis portugisisk type. Hvor er vi i Danmark på vej hen?

14:15 – 15:00: Diskussion

<u>Tilmelding:</u> senest mandag den 1. oktober kl. 11:00 til <u>jlpe@dtu.dk</u>

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