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Official macroeconomic policies in the EU have recently seen some modifications. Monetary policy has been further loosened and with respect to fiscal policy the Juncker-Plan and a slightly less restrictive interpretation of the stability and growth pact aim at less fiscal restriction. Furthermore, according to a widespread belief, some former “crisis countries” from the periphery are now recovering and turning into new “growth champions” whereas other “core countries” are presented as “new sick men”. Against this background the session encourages non-mainstream macroeconomic analyses providing an alternative view of recent macroeconomic developments and policy proposals as well as alternative proposals for monetary, fiscal and wages policies in the EU in general and in individual member countries in particular.