



Brussels, 5 September 2017

Draft Agenda

**EACB Think Tank meeting hosted by
CERBE**

LUMSA, Rome – 25 September, 2017

Venue address:

9h30 – 9h45 **Welcome and opening** by C. Giannotti, (CERBE & LUMSA) and H. Guider, EACB

9h45 – 10h00 **Presentation of CERBE: activities, work plan** by P. Murro

10h00 – 10h30 **Tour de Table: sharing updates on latest conferences and initiatives by participants**

- J. Lopez, Outcome 7th International workshop co-operative banks in Trento
- G. Ferri, IWFSAS in Montreal
- E. Bevilacqua, EACB Award for young researchers
- Participants are requested to prepare a short update

10h30 – 10h45 **Coffee break**

10h45 – 12h30 **Challenges and opportunities for Co-operative Banks**

- H. Guider, "How regulation may reshape the European co-operative banking sector: perspectives"
- H. Groeneveld, "Evolution of cooperative banks in Europe: Netherlands"
- E. Meyer, "Evolution of cooperative banks in Europe: Germany and Austria"
- J. Lopez, "Evolution of cooperative banks in Europe: Italy"

12h45 – 13h15 **Buffet lunch**

13h15 – 14h15 **Reply and counter-arguments to IMF and Bruegel's papers: promoting diversity in banking**

- E. Meyer, "First analysis"
- G. Ferri, "Safeguarding cooperative banks as a step to recover legitimacy of the European Unification"

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- Interactive session: Discussion and next steps

14h15 – 14h30 ***Wrap-up and coming activities***