An investment and equality-led sustainable growth programme for Europe

FEPS, in collaboration with TASC (Ireland), the European Council of the Labour Movement – ECLM – (Denmark) and the Greenwich Political Economy Research Centre (GPERC), have set up a research project with the aim of analysing policies to stimulate investment and increase equality and achieve a sustainable growth model for Europe and each individual member state.

During the past 20 years investment across Europe has drastically declined with severe negative consequences for productivity, growth and employment opportunities. In the meantime, inequality has increased; as the share of wages in national income decreased dramatically, the rise in profits have been ineffective in stimulating investment, productivity, and job creation. The stagnation in investment has also posed severe challenges to tackle the urgent issue of climate change. At the same time these trends were accompanied by a significant structural change in the functioning of our economies marked by the growing prominence of the ‘financial motives’ and the influence of the financial sector.

Research and policy related output

Policy Briefs


Technical Reports


Andersen, L., Dahl, S., and Nissen, T. (2017), Investments in green and social sectors can create 2.8 million jobs in the EU, ECLM Report

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