

# Conference Information

## Ludwig von Mises Institute Europe

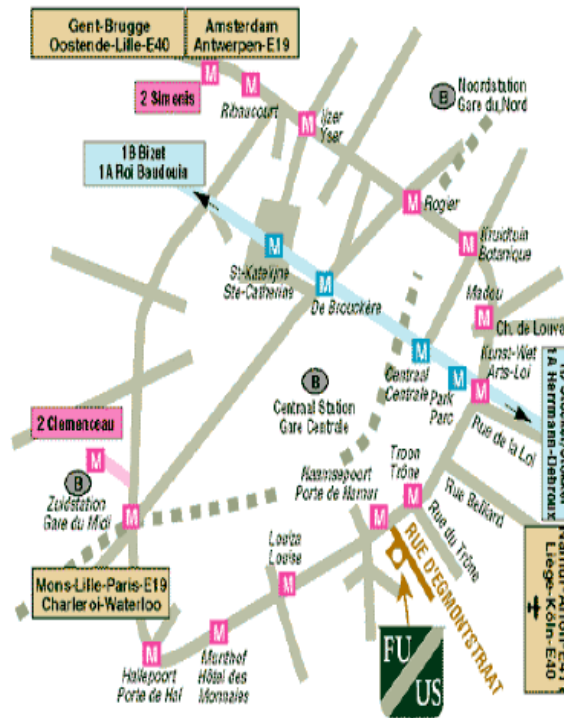
The Ludwig von Mises Institute-Europe was officially established on 12th October 2002 as a non-partisan think tank fostering an open and free society.

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- Exchanging and reintroducing the basic values and principles of Liberalism, especially the ideas of the Austrian School.
- Bridging the gap between “Brussels” and the European citizens and between Eurocrats and Euro-sceptics.
- Acting as an interface between the academic, the political and the business world.
- Connecting liberal-minded individuals and organizations at national and international levels.

Since its foundation, the Ludwig von Mises Institute-Europe has successfully organized a variety of conferences, symposia, discussions, targeted dinner debates and lunch debates. Members include former Prime Ministers, MEPs, former European Commissioners, key politicians, senior academics, business leaders and prominent journalists.

# Organisation



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The event is free of charge.



## Invitation

“The Gold Standard as the right answer to realize a stable financial market”

Organised by The Ludwig von Mises Institute Europe IVZW and Instytut Misesa, Poland

A one-day event in Brussels on monetary affairs and sound money

## Venue

Club de la Fondation Universitaire

Brussels

## Time

2.30-5.30 pm

## Date

March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## Programme

2.00 - 2.30 pm Registration

2.30 pm Opening address:

Annette Godart-van der Kroon, President of the Ludwig von Mises Institute Europe

### Speakers:

James Turk, Founder of Goldmoney : Gold and money in the 21st century"

Detlev Schlichter, Author of "Paper Money Collapse"

Maciej Bitner, "Gold Standard-Lessons from the Euro crisis", Instytut Misesa

### Moderator:

Brian Carney, Editor, editorial page, The Wall Street Journal Europe

### Panel:

Alasdair Macleod, Finance and Economics

### Closing remarks

17.30 pm Reception

## An overview of the subject

Explanation of the subject: the vision of the Austrian School, especially of Ludwig von Mises, on the role of Gold as a means to create a stable monetary market is not as much known as it should be. It could be an answer, though, to solve the credit crisis that exists nowadays. In this concept the possibility of a gold standard will be searched with an emphasis on the explanation of the interest rate theory, the impact fiduciary money has on the credit cycle and inflation, the dangers of government policy to predict human behavior and to intervene (central banks) and the probable consequences on the monetary system. The focus will be on:

A new banking system,

Based on the gold standard and

On free banking

Without fractional banking

A solution for the Euro zone crisis

Tobin taxes are not the right answer, simply because it will reduce long-term GDP in Europe between 0.5% to 1.8%.

These topics are of high importance and should be discussed.

## Event Co-organiser

### Instytut Misesa

Polish Ludwig von Mises Institute (Instytut Misesa) is an independent and non-profit center for research and education established in 2003 focused on popularizing the ideas of free markets and individual freedom in Poland.

IM actively promotes free market-oriented thought in the media and also publishes articles in several newspapers and websites. Our publications, translations and research conducted by Institute's economists are regularly published on the official website <http://www.mises.pl>. The Institute has its own team of pundits preparing weekly comments related to most recent political and economic issues. Their comments are then being published on many websites, such as: <http://www.bankier.pl>, <http://www.rp.pl>, as well as recorded and broadcasted on radio. The Institute also hosts discussions and various seminars, classes at universities and economics lessons in schools all around the country.

For the last two years IM has experienced a significant development and launched many new projects alongside old ones which remain in constant development, such as Austrian Economics' Clubs (pl:KASE) which are a widespread network of polish students' groups interested in Austrian tradition in economic thought, meeting on a regular basis in almost every large city in the country.

## Registration form

for “The Gold Standard as the right  
answer to realize a stable financial  
market”

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Will participate in the conference

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