

Embassy of Switzerland in Prague and IDEA think tank at CERGE-EI invite you to a seminar and panel discussion:

# Smart specialization: From academic concept to European policy and Czech practice

**April 4, 2016** | **CERGE-EI**  
**14:00 – 17:00** | Politických vězňů 7, Prague 1

**MODERATOR:**  
Jan Švejnar

**KEY NOTE SPEAKER:**  
Dominique Foray | Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)

**PANELISTS:**

Christiane Hamacher	ROCHE
Mathieu Doussineau	European Commission – DG JRC
Petr Chládek	JIC – South Moravian Innovation Centre
Marek Jetmar	Section for Science, Research and Innovation, the Office of the Government of the Czech Republic
Josef Lazar	Institute of Scientific Instruments and a Member of Academy Council of CAS
Vladimír Mařík	CIIRC ČVUT and a Chairperson of the Scientific Board of TACR
Martin Srholec	IDEA at CERGE-EI

RIS3

Research and Innovation Strategies for Smart Specialization (RIS3) feature prominently in the EU development policy context and represent a new challenge for policy making at the national and regional levels. Professor Dominique Foray, who coined the smart specialization concept, will explain the recent uptake of his ideas in research and policy design. The focal point of the following discussion will be the RIS3 implementation in the Czech Republic. The seminar will address these questions:

- What are the most promising developments in research on smart specialization?
- How could be smart specialization measured and hence the policy evaluated across Europe?
- Who are the winners and losers of the RIS3 agenda in the Czech Republic?
- What are the main benefits of the RIS3 implementation in the Czech context?
- What is the future of the smart specialization concept?

The seminar is in English. After the discussion follows a small refreshment. Register by e-mail: [idea@cerge-ei.cz](mailto:idea@cerge-ei.cz) or by filling out this form: [http://bit.ly/IDEA\\_RIS3](http://bit.ly/IDEA_RIS3), this link is also available here: <http://idea.cerge-ei.cz/>