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Opening of the 8th Lindau Nobel Meeting in Economic Sciences: Top Economic Minds Unite in Lindau to Tackle Major Global Issues

- More than [20 Laureates](#) and nearly 300 Young Scientists representing around 56 nationalities in Lindau
- [Programme](#) featuring versatile formats to tackle major issues in economics and society globally
- To be debated by a highly esteemed panel including Mario Draghi at the Opening Day: [Research and Innovation in a Tripolar World](#)
- Follow the Opening Day via [livestream](#), including Paul M. Romer's Lecture on [Digital Authenticity and the Future of Truth](#)
- Additionally, Panel Discussions will be streamed, among them the Lindau premiere of 2024 Laureate [Simon H. Johnson](#) at a top-notch [panel](#) on institutions and development
- Highlights on [#LINOecon Social Wall](#)

Today at 14:00 CEST, Countess Bettina Bernadotte af Wisborg, President of the Council, will formally inaugurate the 8th Lindau Nobel Meeting in Economic Sciences – welcoming more than 20 Nobel Laureates, hundreds of Young Scientists, and distinguished guests to the Inselhalle in Lindau.

“Scientific dialogue is key to Lindau. We believe – nowadays as much as 74 years ago – in the power of science to unite peoples across the globe. Not in a naive manner – the challenges are complex and so must be the choices we have to make –, but in a benevolent, cooperative way that sees the human being in each of us.”

Magnus Brunner, European Commissioner for Internal Affairs and Migration and former Austrian finance minister, will also seize the opportunity to comment on major trends and challenges for international politics and the global economy:

"The Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings are a remarkable forum where some of the brightest economic minds of our time come together with the next generation of leaders. This exchange of ideas across borders and generations is exactly what we need to tackle the great challenges of our era – from competitiveness to the global competition for talent and the future of multilateralism. By fostering dialogue and evidence-based solutions, Lindau helps shape the future of the free world."



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Top Economic Thinkers to Address the Big Questions of Our Time

The high profile of the Meeting is underscored by Mario Draghi's participation in the Opening Day programme. At a Panel Discussion, he will share his views on European competitiveness in the current economic policy landscape based on the recent Draghi report. The Opening Ceremony also includes the induction of the former Prime Minister of Italy and former President of the European Central Bank into Lindau's Honorary Senate.

The Scientific Programme for the week has been designed by Lindau's Scientific Chairs for economics, Council Members Torsten Persson, Stockholm University, Klaus M. Schmidt, University of Munich, as well as Antoinette Schoar, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. They put these key themes on the agenda:

- [Institutions and Development](#)
- [Fragility of Financial Systems](#)
- [Climate Policies and International Cooperation](#)

Following a tradition at the Lindau Meetings, [Yael Tauman Kalai](#) (2022 ACM Prize in Computing) will hold the Heidelberg Lecture at the Economics Meeting. Every year, the programmes of both the Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings and the [Heidelberg Laureate Forum](#) (HLF) reflect the close partnership of these two gatherings. At the HLF there is traditionally a Lindau Lecture, while the Heidelberg Lecture is a fixed part of every Lindau Meeting (also available via [livestream](#)).

From All Continents to One Stage: Economics' Rising Voices Share What's Next

The Economics Meeting 2025 strongly emphasizes the opportunity for Young Scientists to present their work: More than 70 early career researchers will be featured at one of several Next Gen Science sessions.

Furthermore, the participating Laureates and Young Scientists will engage in informal [programme formats](#) such as Open Exchanges (for the first time during an Economics Meeting), Laureate Lunches, and Science Walks.



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Closing Highlights on Mainau Island: Findings From the Most Recent Economics Prize

The Meeting traditionally ends with another highlight, the boat trip from Lindau to Mainau Island on its final Saturday. The closing panel [Institutions and Development: Good for a Few or Empowering the Many?](#) builds on the most recent Economics Prize awarded to Simon H. Johnson and Co-Laureates. Together with Guido W. Imbens, Paul M. Romer and Young Scientist Hugo Reichardt, they will elaborate on how (political) institutions shape economic growth and long-run living standards. After the Closing Ceremony and the Science Picnic, the Young Scientists will leave Lake Constance as [Lindau Alumni](#), becoming part of a global network of excellence.

#LINOecon in Numbers:

- [20+ Laureates](#)
- Five Lindau Economics Premieres: Simon H. Johnson (2024), Douglas W. Diamond, Philip H. Dybvig (2022), Guido W. Imbens (2021), Paul M. Romer (2018)
- Nearly 300 Young Scientists representing 56 nationalities
- Next Gen Science sessions offering the big stage to 72 Young Scientists

For Journalists, Bloggers, Economics Influencers

Nearly all programme sessions will be published in the [Lindau Mediatheque](#) during the Meeting week. The Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings' team and participants will share their impressions on social media using the hashtag [#LINOecon](#). Valuable information for journalists is summarized in our [Media Guide](#). Photos of the week will be added to the Lindau Meetings' [Flickr](#) profile on an ongoing basis.

If you have any questions about the 8th Lindau Nobel Meeting in Economic Sciences and our services, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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The Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings: Our Ambition and History

For over seventy years, the Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings have served as a unique forum for exchange between Nobel Laureates and Young Scientists. Every summer, the world's most talented Young Scientists and Nobel Laureates are invited to spend a week in Lindau on the German side of Lake Constance, a week full of mutual inspiration and scientific encounters.

Since the first Meeting in 1951, more than 36,000 Young Scientists have participated in the Lindau Meetings – for many of them, it has been an experience that has changed their careers and lives, making them part of a unique international network of scientific excellence. Even after years and decades, they are still connected with each other and with the Lindau Meetings through the Lindau Alumni Network.

The original idea of the Meetings goes back to two physicians based in Lindau, Franz Karl Hein and Gustav Wilhelm Parade, as well as to Count Lennart Bernadotte af Wisborg, a member of the Swedish royal family who quickly became the spiritus rector of the Lindau Meetings. From the start, they saw the Meetings as a means to reconcile the peoples of post-war Europe, in particular, the younger generation. Lindau quickly developed into an international forum for the exchange of knowledge between nations, cultures, traditions, and disciplines.

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