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GLOBAL TRENDS & ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

„WINNERS AND LOSERS IN A CHANGING WORLD ORDER“

PROGRAM

Venue: Wirtschaftskammer Österreich | Sky Lounge | 12th floor I Wiedner Hauptstraße 63, 1040 Wien

Host: Christoph Schneider | Head of Economic Policy | Austrian Federal Economic Chamber

Registration until May 19: aussenwirtschaft.innovation@wko.at

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

08.30 – 09.00	**REGISTRATION**
09.00 – 09.10	**WELCOMING REMARKS** Jürgen Roth | Vice President, Austrian Federal Economic Chamber
09.10 – 10.00	**GLOBAL ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRY OUTLOOK: FORECAST HIGHLIGHTS** Speakers: James Nixon, Chief European Economist and Jeremy Leonard, Director of Industry Services | Oxford Economics • An overview and top economic predictions | James Nixon • Global Industry Outlook: Increasing protectionism | Jeremy Leonard • Q&A
10.00 – 10.30	**COFFEE BREAK**
10.30 – 11.30	**A NEW GLOBAL POLICY LANDSCAPE AND ITS IMPACT ON THE ECONOMY** • Trumponomics: The good, the bad and the ugly - A global view | James Nixon • Can the European economy withstand the political pressure? | James Nixon An impact assessment of relevant elections, led by France BREXIT: The beginning of a divorce story • Global shifts and local impact: The European Industry | Jeremy Leonard Who are the winners and losers? Do we have to adapt to avoid losing out? • Q&A
11.30 – 12.15	**STATE OF GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS OF AUSTRIAN BUSINESS – PANEL DISCUSSION**
12.15 – 13.30	**OPEN DISCUSSION, NETWORKING & BUFFET LUNCH**

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ABOUT OXFORD ECONOMICS

Oxford Economics was founded in 1981 as a commercial venture with Oxford University's business college to provide economic forecasting and modelling to UK companies and financial institutions expanding abroad. Since then, Oxford Economics has become one of the world's foremost independent global advisory firms, providing reports, forecasts and analytical tools on 200 countries, 100 industrial sectors and over 3,000 cities. A best-of-class global economic and industry models and analytical tools gives Oxford Economics an unparalleled ability to forecast external market trends and assess their economic, social and business impact.

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

James Nixon, Chief European Economist

James is currently Chief European Economist at Oxford Economics, where he is responsible for delivering the Global Macro Service for Europe. He is also responsible for OE's commodity and oil price forecasts. He brings to Oxford Economics extensive experience having worked both in the private and public sectors. James was in charge of the international forecast at the Bank of England and was forecast coordinator at the European Central Bank, regularly presenting to the policy making committees of both institutions. He was for seven years Chief European Economist at Société Génerale and was most recently Chief Economist at TheCityUK, the trade federation that represents UK financial services. He holds a PhD in applied macro-econometric modelling from the University of London. James has a keen interest in resource constraints and the limits they imply for growth and is currently studying for a part time degree in Natural Sciences with a view to doing further work on integrated climate assessment models.

Jeremy Leonard, Director of Industry Services

Jeremy Leonard is responsible for overseeing the work of the industry forecasting team and taking a lead role in managing the operation and forecasts of Oxford Economics' 68-country, 100-sector Global Industry Model as well as related consultancy work. His specific areas of forecasting responsibility include industrial and electrical equipment and fabricated metals.

Jeremy's knowledge and past experience span a broad range, including competitiveness and offshoring/reshoring, commodity price modelling, and applied economic research on sectors ranging from biotech to heavy manufacturing to telecoms. In addition to numerous recurring bespoke sales and output forecasts for industries as diverse as machine tools and consumer packaging, recent consulting assignments have included the drivers of competitiveness in the chemical sector, forward-looking analyses of high-growth sectors across a range of emerging economies, and the ways in which digital technologies are transforming economic activity across manufacturing and service sectors.

Prior to joining Oxford, Jeremy ran his own consulting firm based in Montreal, Canada providing a variety of economic analysis and forecasting services related to commodity prices, competitiveness, and the Canadian and US economic outlooks for the Washington, DC-based Manufacturers Alliance for Productivity and Innovation, as well as serving as economic research director for the Montreal-based Institute for Research on Public Policy. Born and raised in Washington, DC, Jeremy was educated at the University of Pennsylvania and McGill University, where he received his MA in Economics summa cum laude.