

Invitation
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Greece and Europe: An Eyewitness Account

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(entrance from the ground floor)

Abstract

James Galbraith worked closely with Yanis Varoufakis for the five months of the latter's tenure as Finance Minister of the Hellenic Republic. He will discuss the experience and the implications of the outcome for the future of Greece and for the future of Europe.

James Galbraith is visiting Vienna on the invitation of the Renner Institute. In the [framework of that invitation](#) he will give a talk at the Architekturzentrum Wien on Tuesday, October 6, 6 pm.

James K. Galbraith holds the Lloyd M. Bentsen Jr. Chair in Government/Business Relations and a professorship of Government at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, The University of Texas at Austin. He holds degrees from Harvard and Yale (Ph.D. in economics, 1981). He studied as a Marshall Scholar at King's College, Cambridge in 1974-1975, and then served in several positions on the staff of the U.S. Congress, including executive director of the Joint Economic Committee. He directed the LBJ School's Ph.D. Program in Public Policy from 1995 to 1997. He directs the University of Texas Inequality Project, an informal research group based at the LBJ School. Galbraith is a member of the Lincean Academy, the oldest honorary scientific society in the world. He is a senior scholar of the Levy Economics Institute and chair of the Board of Economists for Peace and Security, a global professional network. He writes frequently for policy magazines and the general press.

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