

Progressive Industrial Policy for the Twin Transformation

The Brussels Office of the Austrian Federal Chamber of Labour (AK EUROPA) and the Austrian Foundation for Development Research (ÖFSE), cordially invite you to the event „Progressive Industrial Policy for the Twin Transformation“.

Date: Monday, 15th September 2025, 18:30

Venue: Permanent Representation of Austria to the EU
Avenue De Cortenbergh 30, 1040 Brussels

Against the backdrop of the mounting geopolitical rivalries, concerns about economic security and a lack of competitiveness with regard to digital technologies, industrial policy has once again become popular in European policy-making. While initially motivated by the desire to promote the green transition and increase economic resilience, more recently the focus has shifted to security-related concerns, particularly with respect to high-tech and military technologies.

In an upcoming [Social Europe](#) Dossier, a group of industrial policy and innovation scholars (i) provides an overview of the current challenges facing EU industrial policy, (ii) points to conceptual and practical deficits of the prevailing approach to industrial policy, particularly with regard to governance issues, and (iii) offers a vision for EU industrial policy based on social inclusion and effective governance.

Registration: <https://www.eventbrite.at/e/1639251999859?aff=oddttdtcreator>

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Organizers:



Programme:

Welcome:

Judith Vorbach

Head of AK EUROPA

Christa Schlager

Head of Economic Policy Department, AK Vienna

Presentation of the Dossier:

Werner Raza

Director of the Austrian Foundation for Development Research

Panel Discussion:

Sara Matthieu

MEP, Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance, European Parliament

Otti Slotboom

Director, GROW.A (Supply Chains and Business Analysis),
European Commission

Isabelle Barthès

Deputy General Secretary, industriAll Europe

Rainer Kattel

Professor of Innovation and Public Governance, IIPP,
University College London

Werner Raza

Director of the Austrian Foundation for Development Research

Moderator: **Michael Soder**, AK Vienna

The event will be conducted in English.

We would like to invite you to a reception after the panel discussion.