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## The Role of Democracy in a Social Market Economy

There is an ongoing debate among both economists and political scientists on whether, if any, democracy promotes growth or growth promotes democracy. The tradition of the German Ordoliberalism, which is the intellectual foundation of the concept of the Social Market Economy (SME), has always claimed an interdependency of political and economic institutions. Throughout the discussion we will analyze the theoretical relations between political and economic freedom in general and those between a Social Market Economy and democracy in particular.

Discussants	<b>Dr. Thomas Apolte</b> , Professor for Political Economy at the University of Muenster and <b>Dr. Pavlos Gkasis</b> , Lecturer in Economics, South-East European Research Centre (SEERC)
When	Monday 23 November 2015, at 20:00 – 21:30
Where	CITY College Auditorium (5 <sup>th</sup> floor), Leontos Sofou 3, Thessaloniki
	The presentations and the discussion will be conducted in English.
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