
Seeking new knowledge about the European crisis

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The financial crisis in Europe also affects the countries that have been doing well up to now. What will the impact of the crisis be on democracy and employment in the longer term – both for the EU countries and for a country such as Norway?

Norwegian researchers will be investigating these questions more closely in two large-scale interdisciplinary projects funded under the Research Council of Norway's Europe in Transition research initiative (the EUROPA initiative).

A total of NOK 48 million will be allocated over a period of five years to researchers at the Centre for the Study of Equality, Social Organization and Performance (ESOP) and the ARENA Centre for European Studies, both affiliated with the University of Oslo.

Through international collaboration and a distillate of economics, political science, sociology, history, law and philosophy, among others, the projects will generate new insight into the ramifications of the current crisis and what Europe can do to divert it.

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