

TN2020 Berlin Symposia - Call for Applications - Deadline 5th of February

Beyond Booming European & American Baby Busters in the Light of 2020

Debates for improved transatlantic policy setting by 2020

By 2020, the policy debate in Europe and the US will be dominated by the impact of a sharp demographic crisis and for the search for solutions. The domestic agenda will be overshadowed by finding ways to stabilize the economy in the absence of a young local labour force, whereas policy choices in Europe and the US will be devoted to attempts of not getting crushed by young and dynamic regions such as Asia.

Most contemporary transatlantic debates discuss problems of the past - or current issues at best. This project will conceive an action catalogue in preparation of 2020 following an exchange with current transatlantic decision makers.

This will promote a more collaborative approach to the challenges by focussing on the longer term perspective of 2020 and combine American and European insights.

With Young American & European Experts

Through a series of evening events in Berlin, the project will establish a concept group of young American and European specialists to examine the dimensions and consequences of the underlying demographic developments for each of their domains by 2020 and find common transatlantic denominators for both problems and solutions. The provisional dates are as follows:

- -9th of March 2010: labour market challenges in aging societies
- -13th of April 2010: regional and urban development for shrinking populations
- -11th of May 2010: technology for positive change

The project explicitly focusses on participants whose expertise is crucial for improving the quality of the policy finding process and who are eager to engage with other young professionals beyond their own field of expertise.

This project is part of TN2020 in cooperation with Citizens of Europe e.V. TN2020 works to strengthen ties between Europe and North America through the creation of a sustainable network of young leaders.

More information:

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/tn2020-projects-berlin-symposia.htm>

How To Apply?

Interested in participating in the Berlin Symposia? Send your application with a letter of motivation before February 5th to Sam Schatteman at sam.schatteman@expansion-in.eu