



Towards Sustainable Public Finances: Public Policy and Good Governance

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Dear Colleagues,

While governmental concerns regarding the sustainability of public finances are not a new or recent development, in recent months they have become increasingly pressing due to worsened budget balance in many countries, under the combined impact of the recent crises and long-term stressors. Many countries are struggling to keep their public deficit and debt under control whilst also facing the increased pressure of social security systems and the demand for tangible and intangible investments. In this context, it is vital to adapt the practice of governance to new realities and adopt well-designed and focused policies that target the long-term equilibrium.

We encourage empirical contributions, in the form of country studies or international comparisons, that discuss the impact of different factors or public policies on sustainable public finance, concluding with useful recommendations for practitioners and theoreticians of the field, aiming both to consolidate the existing literature around this topic and to support better fiscal governance by offering reliable empirical evidence as input for new public policies.





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