



President of the ifo-Institut in Munich (1999-2016)
One of Germany's most renowned economists

Hans-Werner Sinn is one of the most frequently-quoted economists in Germany.

Hans-Werner Sinn held the Chair of Economics at the LMU University in Munich until 2016. He has also gained international recognition as a result of numerous periods of research and guest professorships; he teaches at, amongst others, the London School of Economics, Princeton University, and the University of Oslo. He has conducted research in a number of areas, such as globalisation and emerging markets and demographic change.

From 1991 to 2016 he was Director of the Centre for Economic Studies (CES) at the LMU and from 1999 to 2016 he was Director of the ifo-Institute, which had become well known for the publication of the monthly index of the German business climate. Under the directorship of Hans-Werner Sinn, it quickly established itself as the most prominent of the six major German economic research institutes.

His advice has been sought for many years at government level in Bonn and Berlin, and as economic advisor to the Federal Science Ministry. He also was member of the Supervisory Board of the HVB Group and is an active member of a number of professional bodies.

Amongst the many books he has published, "Can Germany still be saved?" has caused the greatest controversy. It is one of the most widely read public-policy books in recent German history. His thoughts on the "economic failure" of reunification, the weaknesses of the Euro have given him considerable influence on German economic thinking.

Topics (Selection):

- What to Expect for Germany and the EU?
- Climate Change and Green Energy Revolution
- Buffering Green Power: The Limits of Germany's Energy Revolution
- A 50-Year Retrospective on German Economic Policy
- Digitalization: The New Industrial Revolution
- The Demographic Deficit: Causes, Consequences and Policy Implications.
- Lessons from German Unification
- The Euro: On Bursting Bubbles, Budgets and Beliefs
- The European Competitiveness Crisis

Publications (Selection):

- The Euro Trap. On Bursting Bubbles, Budgets, and Beliefs, 2014