

## Het IMF: een nieuwe toekomst dankzij de crisis?

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### ABSTRACT

The financial and economic crisis is not without consequence for the International Monetary Fund (IMF). In several European and international fora, discussions are ongoing on the role of the IMF in the global financial architecture and on the reforms that are needed to turn the IMF into a more effective instrument to prevent and resolve crises. This contribution presents an overview of the functioning of the IMF, its mission, how it executes that mission, of the challenges and criticism the Fund faces and reforms that have already been decided or are being contemplated in reaction to those challenges and criticism. To conclude, an opinion is formulated on whether these reforms have prepared the Fund for future challenges and what its post-crisis role might be.

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