

Written Exam Economics Winter 2017-2018

The Danish Welfare Model

From 11 December 10:00 am to 16 December 10:00 am

This exam question consists of 2 pages in total

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- 1. A warning
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The private sector produced more than 75% of Denmark's gross value added in 2016. The private sector's production takes place in a global market. On the other hand, the public sector spend more than 50% of gross domestic income on various forms of public welfare in 2016.

In this tradeoff between production efficiency and achievement of social justice, there are a number of advantages and disadvantages for the Danish economy.

On this background:

1. Please discuss the tradeoff between efficiency and social justice in Danish welfare.
2. Furthermore, argue if the private sector solely provides value and if the public sector solely is a consumption sector.
3. Finally, explain how Denmark can be able to compete internationally, what outline what may generate a strong competitive edge.