

“Looking Southeast: Providing Fresh Impetus towards EU Membership”

**Central European University, Budapest
Nádor utca 9, Monument Building, Popper Room**

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Draft program

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08.30 – 09.00 Registration

09.00 – 09.40 Opening remarks

- John Shattuck, President and Rector of the Central European University
- Jan Niklas Engels, Director, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Budapest

09.40 – 10.20 Keynote speeches

- Tanja MišCević, the Chief Negotiator for the Accession of the Republic of Serbia to the European Union
- Péter Balázs, Director of CENS, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Hungary, former EU Commissioner for Regional Policy

10.20 – 11.45 *Panel I. – EU Enlargement and the Western Balkans - 10 Years after Thessaloniki*

Chair: Tamás Szigetvári, Senior Researcher, Institute for World Economics, Hungary

Speakers:

- Vedran Džihic, Researcher, Austrian Institute for International Affairs, Austria
- Maja Bakran Marcich, Head of Sector for European Bilateral Affairs, Ministry of European and Foreign Affairs, Croatia
- András Inotai, General Director, Institute for World Economics, Hungary

11.45 – 12.15 Coffee Break

12.15 – 13.45 *Panel II. – Croatia’s EU Accession and Its Effects on the Rest of the Western Balkan Countries*

Chair: Milan NiC, Executive Director, the Central European Policy Institute (CEPI), Slovakia

Speakers:

- Senada Šelo Šabic, Research Associate, Institute for Development and International Relations, Croatia
- Mihailo Crnobrnja, Professor, FEFA Belgrade, Serbia
- Blaž Golob, Director, the Centre for eGovernance Development for South East Europe and the

Chairman of GFS GoForeSight Institute, Slovenia (TBC)

13.45 – 14.45 Buffet Lunch

14.45 – 16.15 *Panel III. – Turkey and the EU: A broken relationship?*

Chair: Erzsébet N. Rózsa, Hungarian Institute of International Affairs, Hungary

Speakers:

- Emre Hatipoglu, Assistant Professor, Sabanci University, Turkey
- Emel Akçali, Professor, Central European University (CEU), Hungary
- Aybars Görgülü, TESEV Foreign Policy Program, Turkey

16.15 – 16.30 Closing remarks