

DRAFT AGENDA

# Changes and Challenges in the European Union

TEPSA Hungarian  
Pre-Presidency Conference

**13-14 June 2024**

All times are indicated in CEST

# Day 1 (13 June, Thursday)



## 13:30-15:00 **Plenary Session 1: TEPESA Recommendations**

*Opening Remarks:*

- **Jim Cloos**, TEPESA, Secretary-General
- **Magdolna Sass**, IWE HUN-REN CERS, Director

*Panel Discussion:*

- **Balázs Molnár**, State Secretary, Responsible for the Presidency
- **Nicoletta Pirozzi**, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Head of Programme on European Union and Institutional Relations - online
- **Richard Youngs**, Carnegie Europe, Senior Fellow



## 15:00-15:30 **Coffee break**



## 15:30-17:00 **Parallel Session 1: Competitiveness of the EU and Member States**

- **Gergely Baksay**, Hungarian National Bank, Executive Director, Hungarian Economic Association
- **Anita Pelle**, Szeged University, Head of Institute of International Economics, Jean Monnet Chair
- **Michele Chang**, College of Europe, Director of the Transatlantic Affairs Programme
- **Marco Siddi**, Finnish Institute of International Affairs, Leading Researcher
- **Moderator: Professor András Inotai**, Prof. Emeritus, Institute of World Economics, IWE HUN-REN CERS

## **Parallel Session 2: Results of the EP elections, evaluation**

- **András Bíró-Nagy**, HUN-REN CSS Institute for Political Science, Senior Research Fellow
- **Ilke Toygur**, IE University Global Policy Center, Director
- **Erik Jones**, European University Institute, Robert Schuman Centre, Director
- **Enikő Győri**, Member of the European Parliament
- **Moderator: Michael Kaeding**, University of Duisburg-Essen, Professor

# Day 2 (14 June, Friday)



9:00-10:30

## Parallel Session 3: The Future of the EU's Enlargement Policy

- **Anna Orosz**, Hungarian Institute for International Affairs, Research Director
- **Danijela Jacimovic**, University of Montenegro, Professor
- **Karlis Bukovskis**, Latvian Institute of International Affairs, Director
- **Yuriy Yakymenko**, Razumkov Centre, President - online
- **Moderator: Funda Tekin**, Institut für Europäische Politik, Director

## Parallel Session 4: Migration, demography

- **Vera Messing**, Centre for Social Sciences, Sociology Institute, Director
- **Jean-Louis de Brouwer**, Egmont Institute, Director
- **Eugenia Kopsidi**, European Law & Governance School, Resident Lecturer
- **Giorgi Khishtovani**, Research Director at PMC Research Center
- **Moderator: Jaap de Zwaan**, TEPSA, Honorary Board Member; Erasmus University Rotterdam



10:30-10:45

## Coffee break



10:45-12:00

## Parallel Session 5: 20 Years in the EU

- **Petr Kratochvíl**, Institute for International Relations Prague, Full Professor
- **Boštjan Udovič**, Centre of International Relations, University of Ljubljana, Deputy Head
- **Lucia Mokra**, TEPSA, Chairperson of the Board; Comenius University in Bratislava, Dean
- **Éva Palócz**, Kopint Társaság Institute, General Director; Hungarian Economic Association, Vice-President
- **Moderator: Boglárka Koller**, Ludovika University of Public Service, Jean Monnet Chair, Head of Dept for European Studies

## Parallel Session 6: Convergence, EU-finance and budget, development

- **István Benczes**, Institute for World Economics HUN-REN CERS, Corvinus University, Professor
- **Louise van Schaik**, Clingendael Institute, Head of Unit EU & Global Affairs
- **Ákos Kengyel**, Corvinus University, Jean Monnet Chair, Professor
- **Moderator: Zsolt Becsey**, former Member of the European Parliament; Ministry for National Economy State Secretary, Hungarian Economic Association

## Day 2 (cont.)



12:15-12:30

**Coffee break**

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12:30-13:45

### **Plenary Session 2: Geopolitical challenges, security of the EU**

- **Anna Molnár**, Ludovika University of Public Service, Head of Department International Security Studies
  - **Magdalena Góra**, Institute of European Studies, Jagiellonian University, Associate Professor
  - **Luigi Scazzieri**, Centre for European Reform, Senior Research Fellow
  - **Gunilla Herolf**, Swedish Institute of International Affairs, Senior Associate Research Fellow
  - **Moderator: Pernille Rieker**, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs, Research Professor
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13:45-14:00

### **Concluding remarks:**

- **Lucia Mokra**, TEPSA, Chairperson of the Board
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14:00

**Lunch**

# About TEPISA



The Trans European Policy Studies Association (TEPSA) was established in 1974 as the first transnational research network in the field of EU affairs. It comprises leading research institutes throughout Europe, with an office in Brussels. Its aim is to provide high-quality research on European integration to stimulate discussion on policies and political options for Europe. This is achieved by the interaction between the European and national institutions as well as the academic and research community. TEPISA is active on a wide range of research topics, focusing on differentiated integration, the EU's external relations, democratic participation and citizens' engagement.

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## About HUN-REN CERS IWE

The HUN-REN Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Institute of World Economics took its current form on 1 January 2012 as a part of the Centre for Economic and Regional Studies. It has a long-standing history, since its predecessor is the Institute for World Economics that was established in 1973. Researchers of the Institute have focused on the Hungarian economy and its embeddedness in global relations and processes. Their work aims to identify mechanisms shaping the world economy by drawing comparative analyses as well as exploring how countries respond to international economic and political change. With this, we contribute to the scientific analysis of Hungary's economy and its agency on the international scene.

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