

12th The Role of the State in Varieties of Capitalism (SVOC) International Conference 'New Perspectives on (New) Industrial policies in the Era of Geoeconomic Shifts'

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| Time | | Monday, 1 June, 2026 Venue: HTK, Budapest, Tóth K. str. 4. |
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| 8:30-9:00 | Registration & welcome coffee HTK, ground floor and Gallery (first floor) | |
| 9:00-9:15 | Conference Opening Magdolna Sass (Institute of World Economics CERS ELTE) HTK, Budapest, Tóth K. str. 4., Conference room (ground floor) | |
| 9:15-10:45 | Keynote lecture I. HTK, Budapest, Tóth K. str. 4., Conference room (ground floor) Insights from the New Economics of Industrial Policy Réka JUHÁSZ <i>University of British Columbia</i> Chair: John Szabó (IWE CERS ELTE) | |
| 10:45-11:15 | Coffee Break | |
| 11:15-12:30 | Roundtable discussion HTK, Budapest, Tóth K. str. 4., Conference room (ground floor) New Industrial Policy and the EV Industry: Pericentric Perspectives across Wider Europe Contributors: Réka JUHÁSZ (University of British Columbia); Petr PAVLÍNEK (University of Nebraska at Omaha); Anastas VANGELI (University of Ljubljana); Adam A. AMBROZIAK (SGH Warsaw School of Economics) Chair: Ágnes Szunomár (Institute of Global Studies CUB and Institute of World Economics CERS ELTE) | |
| 12:30-13:30 | Lunch Break | |

Keynote lecture II.

HTK, Budapest, Tóth K. str. 4., Conference room (ground floor)

13:30-
15:00

Geopolitical Decoupling in the Russian Automotive Industry after 2022

Petr PAVLÍNEK

University of Nebraska at Omaha

Chair: Magdolna Sass (IWE CERS ELTE)

15:0-15:30

Coffee Break

| | Conference room (ground floor) | K 11. (ground floor) | K 12. (ground floor) | Meeting room T4.23 (4th floor) |
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| | Rethinking Europe's EV transition from a pericentric perspective 1. | Sanctions and Multilevel Adjustment | Industrial policy in the EU and beyond | Growth models, society and welfare |
| | Chair: Ágnes Szunomár | Chair: John Szabó | Chair: Miklós Szanyi | Chair: Emese Dobos |
| | Ana Vilencia and Vladimir Mentus <i>Prospective Green Extractivism at Shifted Periphery: Displacement in Place as an Effect of Electric Vehicle Transition in Serbia</i> | András György Deák <i>Russian Sanctions and Global Payments</i> | Adam A. Ambroziak <i>The IPCEIs as a New Financial Mechanism of the Modern EU Industrial Policy</i> | Gergő Medve-Bálint <i>Social embeddedness of East Central European growth models: a research agenda</i> |
| 15:30-17:30 Parallel Sessions (SLOT 1) | David Gergely Karas <i>Green Developmentalism in Connector Economies? Semi-Peripheral Industrial Policies, Green Transitions and Chinese FDI in European Battery Value Chains</i> | Anna Sebestyén <i>The European Union's Sanctioning Practice and Its Impediments in Sub-Saharan Africa: The Case of the Tigray War</i> | Tamás Szemlér <i>Industrial Policy Aspects of the EU Financial Perspective for 2028-2034</i> | Jakub Tomášek <i>Welfare States of the Populist Right Parties: Explaining the Divergent Pathways of Hungary and Poland</i> |
| | Andreja Jaklič <i>China's Role in Rewiring CEE Automotive Aftermarkets Amid the EV Transition</i> | Zalán Klauda <i>Sanctions, Tariff-Jumping and Internalization: Hungarian Firms in Russia after 2014</i> | Balázs Páger <i>Aligning Development Projects with Local Socioeconomic Needs: A Comprehensive Analysis of EU Project Implementation Patterns in Central and Eastern European Regions</i> | Zsolt Kerekes <i>Fiscal Structures and Growth Models: A Comparative Analysis from the EU's Eastern Periphery</i> |
| | Anastas Vangeli <i>Imaginarities of Industrial Legitimacy: Automotive Statecraft in the Semi-Periphery under Geoeconomic Shifts</i> | Csaba Weiner, László Tőkés <i>Who Stays, Who Exits, and Who Enters? Hungarian Exporters to Russia under Sanctions</i> | Ewa Karwowski, Hannah Hasenberger, Nick Bernards, Annina Kaltenbrunner <i>The Role of Peripheral International Financial Centres in Industrial Policy</i> | Fatin Şevki Bulut <i>Growth Models, Growth Strategies, and Dominant Social Blocs: A Comparative Analysis of Brazil and Poland in the Post-2000 Period</i> |

17:30 -
19:30

Reception

Venue: HTK, Budapest, Tóth K. str. 4., Gallery (first floor)

| Tuesday 2 June | | | | |
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| HTK, Budapest, Tóth K. str. 4. | | | | |
| Time | K 11. (ground floor) | K 12. (ground floor) | Meeting room T4.23 (4th floor) | Meeting room T4.24 (4th floor) |
| 9:00-11:00 Parallel Sessions (SLOT2) | Rethinking Europe's EV transition from a pericentric perspective 2. | The pending role of states in industrial policy | The path of innovation in geoeconomic shifts | Firms' perspectives on industrial policy |
| | Chair: Anastas Vangeli | Chair: Andrea Éltető | Chair: Andrea Szalavetz | Chair: Magdolna Sass |
| | Ágnes Szunomár, Judit Ricz, András Tétényi, Norbert Szijártó | Marius Kalanta | Özgün Sarimehmet Duman | Miklós Szanyi |
| | <i>Green dependence in the making: The case of Chinese EV battery production in Hungary</i> | <i>State Capacity for Transformative Industrial Policy in Central Eastern Europe</i> | <i>Research and Innovation as a Competitiveness Strategy in the European Market</i> | <i>Traditional firms in the platform economy</i> |
| | Miranda Wu, Xing Li | Dóra Györffy | Ljubivoje Radonjić, Marija Radulovic | Smaranda Pantea; Nadzeya Laurentsyeva |
| | <i>Dual Forces of Globalization: The Dynamics of Chinese Investment in the European Electric Vehicle Transition</i> | <i>Illiberal Industrial Policies: Promoting Electromobility and Defense in Hungary</i> | <i>Less Competition, More Innovation? Preliminary Insights from the Hungarian Economy</i> | <i>The Effects of Winning Public Tenders on Firm Growth: Evidence from the IT Sector in the Czech Republic</i> |
| Martin Sebens | Adam A. Ambroziak; Andrea Éltető | Attila Havas | Katalin Antalóczy, Magdolna Sass | |
| <i>Second China Shock's Impact on Policymaking in the Eastern European Semi-Periphery</i> | <i>State Aid in Poland and Hungary as an Instrument of National Industrial Policies</i> | <i>Comparative analysis of the CE4 countries' innovation and economic performance</i> | <i>Emergence of SME Multinationals in the Present Geoeconomic Turmoil</i> | |
| | Zsuzsanna Zsibók, Ildikó Egyed | Tamás Csontos | | |
| | <i>The UK's Modern Industrial Strategy – lessons from a post-Covid perspective</i> | <i>Diverging Growth Paths in Poland and Hungary: On the Causes of Poland's Growth Surplus</i> | | |
| 11:00-11:30 | Coffee Break | | | |

| | Challenges and backlashes of industrial policy | Spatial perspectives in industrial policy | Climate and industrial policy: Green perspectives | Challenges of Industry and institutions (PHD section) |
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| | Chair: Beáta Farkas | Chair: Ernő Molnár | Chair: Melinda Szabó | Chair: Gergely Buda |
| | Anita Pelle <i>Regulation as industrial policy: Delivering on the European Union's green ambitions in an era of geoeconomic turmoil</i> | Gábor Nagy, Gergely Tagai, David Bole <i>Comparative typology of small towns in Hungary and Slovenia in the light of industrialisation</i> | Michal Hrubý <i>Green industrial policy vs. climate policy: a debate on local content and foreign production exposure</i> | Vivien Aranyi-Aszalós <i>Financial Guarantees as Development Policy: Industrial Transformation or Local Embedding in the EU Model?</i> |
| 11:30-13:30 Parallel Sessions (SLOT3) | Fruzsina Sigér, Eszter Tóth, Zsuzsanna Trón <i>Why nations bike? And why not? The institutional economics of cycling</i> | Sidan Raeskyesa <i>What Drives Special Economic Zone Establishment? The Role of Fiscal Decentralization</i> | Johan Rootzén <i>Navigating the Green Transition Under Uncertainty: Early-Mover Strategies and Industrial Policy Challenges in Sweden</i> | Áron Csiki <i>Regional resilience in the Visegrád countries during the COVID-19 crisis: Comparative assessment of recovery patterns</i> |
| | Magdolna Sass, Kálmán Kalotay <i>Investing in "Friends": Hungary's Trade, FDI and Industrial Policy Engagement in the Western Balkans</i> | Erika Nagy <i>Municipal agency in a changing multilevel polity. Diverse pathways in the eastern industrial periphery of Europe</i> | Vladimir Mentus <i>Public Support for Energy Policies and Perceptions of Climate Responsibility in Europe</i> | Dóra Laura Rác <i>Do formal institutions converge across countries? – Review of the empirical literature</i> |
| | Judit Ricz, Andrea Éltető <i>Rules for Sale: Autocratic Forbearance, as a New Industrial Policy Tool to Promote the Hungarian Battery Hub</i> | Ernő Molnár <i>Regional embedding of transnational companies in an emerging CEE automotive location: The case of Debrecen</i> | Khushi Jain <i>Reading between the Green Lines: Untangling Big Tech's Role in Green GovTech Markets in Global South</i> | Harakan Ahmad <i>Nickel Downstream Industrialisation in the Era of Geoeconomic Shifts: New Industrial Policy, EV Value Chains, and Development Challenges in Indonesia</i> |
| 13:30-14:15 | Lunch Break | | | |

| | Industrial policy in the EU periphery | Industrial Policy in the Global South | New perspectives on industrial policy | Responses to current challenges of sustainability and states (PHD) |
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| 14:15-16:15 Parallel Sessions (SLOT4) | Chair: Judit Ricz | Chair: Erzsébet N. Rózsa | Chair: Gábor Túry | Chair: Magdolna Sass |
| | <p>Dóra Piroska, Ana Podvrsic</p> <p><i>The EU's Investment State on the EU's Eastern Periphery: the case of Slovenia</i></p> | <p>Petra Dünhaupt, Valeria Jiménez</p> <p><i>Structural Policy Space and Global Value Chain Position - A Framework for Industrial Policy in the Critical-Minerals Boom</i></p> | <p>Attila Havas, Totti Könnölä, and K. Matthias Weber</p> <p><i>Multi-Level, Multi-Domain Foresight: Navigating the Security-Sustainability-Innovation Nexus</i></p> | <p>Melinda Szabó</p> <p><i>Exploring the implications of gender biases in the sustainability industry</i></p> |
| | <p>Beáta Farkas, Viktor Skyrman, Andrea Éltető, Judit Ricz</p> <p><i>Industrial policy options in the EU: lessons from the battery industry</i></p> | <p>Farouk Nouri</p> <p><i>Industrial Policy under Geoeconomic Fragmentation: A Four-Dimensional Framework and the Korea–Malaysia–Morocco Contrast</i></p> | <p>Emese Dobos</p> <p><i>Heritage of a socialist light industry: Environmental and health effects of deindustrialization in Hungary</i></p> | <p>Szemira Mohammad</p> <p><i>Beyond Credit: Assessing the Multidimensional Impact of Microfinance as a Financial Inclusion. Model on Poverty Alleviation and Development in Pakistan</i></p> |
| | <p>Tamás Csontos, Helena Drdlova, Dorottya Szabó</p> <p><i>Beyond Political Capture: State Capacity Constraints and the Evolution of State Aid Policy in Hungary</i></p> | <p>Erzsébet N. Rózsa, Tamás Szigetvári</p> <p><i>The Moroccan Atlantic Opening: Economic Potential, Industrial Transformation, and Strategic Perspectives</i></p> | <p>Túry Gábor, Andrea Éltető, Tamás Szigetvári</p> <p><i>Structural Transformation of Automotive Supply Chains in Central Europe in the Context of the Shift to Electric Vehicle Production</i></p> | <p>Melissa Gonzalez</p> <p><i>Crisis-Driven Geopolitical Concentration of Security Aid in Ecuador (2007–2024)</i></p> |
| | <p>Gergely Buda</p> <p><i>How smart semi-peripheral (industrial) policies gain shares in non-conventional markets: Lessons from the Baltic states' expansion in Africa</i></p> | <p>Juan Demian Inzulza</p> <p><i>Hugo Chávez's populism and national champions policies in Venezuela (1999-2013)</i></p> | | <p>Mirko Dukic</p> <p><i>Aid and Institutions in Sub-Saharan Africa in the Post-Cold War Period</i></p> |
| 16:15-16:30 | <p align="center">Closing Remarks Magdolna Sass (Institute of World Economics CERS ELTE)</p> | | | |
| 16:30-17:00 | <p align="center">Farewell</p> | | | |