



84<sup>th</sup> East Jour Fixe of the Oesterreichische Nationalbank (OeNB) in cooperation with the Official Monetary and Financial Institutions Forum (OMFIF)

## Long-run economic growth and development in CESEE: goals, priorities and implementation strategies

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*The 84th East Jour Fixe focuses on long-run economic growth and development in Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe (CESEE) – a very timely topic, given the high level of uncertainty surrounding the medium- to long-term growth outlook for the CESEE region. Potential growth estimates for many CESEE countries are currently low, putting into question the speed of convergence and raising concerns that CESEE might end up in a middle-income trap. Low potential growth also raises the question of whether the CESEE countries need a new and more sustainable growth model for the future.*

*Against this backdrop, the 84th East Jour Fixe will discuss the key goals, priorities and implementation strategies aimed at ensuring sustainable economic growth and development in CESEE in the long run. The keynote speech and session 1 will focus on current challenges for economic growth and development in the CESEE region, taking stock of past growth models and reflecting on future growth drivers. Session 2 will deal with the ecological sustainability of growth, discussing potential frameworks and opportunities for as well as potential obstacles to green growth in CESEE. The 84th East Jour Fixe will conclude with a panel on the relations between China and CESEE, focusing on the Belt and Road Initiative and its impact on trade and infrastructure investment.*



## Preliminary program

11:45 a.m. **Registration & Buffet Lunch**

1:15 p.m. **Welcome address**

**Ewald Nowotny**

Governor

OeNB

1:30 p.m. **Session 1 - organized by the OeNB**

***Long-run growth and resilience***

**Chair: Dubravko Mihaljek**

Head, Macroeconomic Analysis

Bank for International Settlements

**Keynote address**

***Structural transformation and growth perspectives in CESEE***

**Erik Bergl f**

Director of the Institute of Global Affairs

London School of Economics and Political Science

**Discussion with**

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Senior Economist, Foreign Research Division

OeNB

2:45 p.m. **Coffee break**

3:15 p.m. **Session 2 - organized by the OeNB**

***Green growth in CESEE – opportunities and obstacles***

**Chair: Helene Schuberth**

Head, Foreign Research Division

OeNB

***Ecological economics and sustainable growth***

**Sigrid Stagl**

Institute Head, Ecological economics

Vienna University of Economics and Business



*A Just Transition in CESEE*

**Pieter de Pous**

Senior Policy Advisor  
E3G

4:30 p.m.

**Panel discussion – organized by the OMFIF**

***CESEE and China: The Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)***

**Chair: David Marsh**

Chairman  
OMFIF

**Vojtech Benda**

Member of the Board  
Czech National Bank

**Andrzej Raczko**

Advisor to the President  
Narodowy Bank Polski

**Weixi Gong**

Chief, Investment Promotion Division and Coordinator, Investment and Technology  
Promotion Offices Network  
United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)

5:45 p.m.

**End of event**

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