Conference on European Economic Integration (CEEI) 2019
Looking back on 30 years of transition – and looking 30 years ahead
organized by the Oesterreichische Nationalbank (OeNB)

November 25 and 26, 2019
Vienna Marriott Hotel
Parkring 12a, 1010 Vienna, Austria

CONFERENCE ASPECTS

Thirty years ago, in 1989, the Iron Curtain was lifted. To commemorate this historic event, the OeNB’s CEEI 2019 will explore key questions about transition in Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe (CESEE):

What have the last 30 years accomplished? We will look at successes and shortcomings of this historic transformation, the impact of political and global factors, and the lessons to be learned from fast progress in the emerging economies in Asia.

What can we expect in the next 30 years? We will discuss the challenges for monetary and financial stability as well as the long-term determinants of economic growth in CESEE: factors like digitalization, climate change and demographic trends.
Monday, November 25, 2019

11:30 a.m. Registration and light buffet lunch

1:00 p.m. Welcome remarks and chair
   Robert Holzmann
   Governor
   Oesterreichische Nationalbank

1:15 p.m. Keynote lecture 1
   Beata Javorcik
   Chief Economist
   European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

2:00 p.m. Session 1
   A historic transformation: heterogeneity in CESEE in a changing global context

   Chair
   Vedran Dzihic
   Senior Researcher
   Austrian Institute for International Affairs (oiip)

   Ivan Krastev
   Permanent Fellow
   Institute for Human Sciences (IWM)

   Philipp Ther
   Professor
   University of Vienna

3:00 p.m. Coffee break

3:30 p.m. Panel 1
   A central banker’s view on monetary policy during transition

   Chair
   Robert Holzmann
   Governor
   Oesterreichische Nationalbank

   Ana Ivković
   Vice Governor
   National Bank of Serbia

   Jiří Rusnok
   Governor
   Czech National Bank
Boštjan Vasle  
Governor  
Bank of Slovenia

Boris Vujčić  
Governor  
Croatian National Bank

4:30 p.m.  Panel 2  
Financial sector developments during transition

Chair  
Gottfried Haber  
Vice Governor  
Oesterreichische Nationalbank

Stijn Claessens  
Head of Financial Stability Policy  
Bank for International Settlements

Radovan Jelasity  
CEO  
Erste Group Hungary

Francesco Mazzaferro  
Head, Secretariat  
European Systemic Risk Board

5:30 p.m.  Coffee break
6:00 p.m. **Session 2**  
**Modes of transition: the impact of different economic policy approaches**

**Chair**  
**Doris Ritzberger-Grünwald**  
Director  
Oesterreichische Nationalbank

**Marina Gruševaja**  
Professor  
RheinMain University of Applied Sciences

**Andrzej Sławiński**  
Professor  
Warsaw School of Economics

7:00 p.m. End of session

7:30 p.m. Aperitif

8:00 p.m. Dinner

**Dinner speech**  
**Anton Pelinka**  
Professor of Political Science, retired  
Central European University
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

8:45 a.m. Introductory remarks and chair
Eduard Schock
Executive Director
Oesterreichische Nationalbank

Keynote lecture 2
Anders Åslund
Senior Fellow
Atlantic Council

9:30 a.m. Session 3
Lessons from three decades of catching-up in Asia

Introductory remarks and chair
Michael Landesmann
Senior Research Associate
The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)

Ágnes Szunomár
Economist
Hungarian Academy of Sciences

Khee Giap Tan
Co-Director, Asia Competitiveness Institute
Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy
National University of Singapore

10:30 a.m. Coffee break
11:00 a.m.  
**Session 4**  
**Challenges for CESEE’s near future: monetary and financial stability**

**Chair**  
Helene Schuberth  
Head of Division  
Oesterreichische Nationalbank

Primož Dolenc  
Deputy Governor  
Bank of Slovenia

Markus Eller  
Principal Economist  
Oesterreichische Nationalbank

Johannes Wiegand  
Division Chief  
International Monetary Fund

12:00 noon  
**Chair**  
Thomas Steiner  
Executive Director  
Oesterreichische Nationalbank

**Keynote lecture 3**  
Martin Selmayr  
Ambassador of the European Commission to Austria,  
former Secretary-General, European Commission

12:30 p.m.  
**Session 5**  
**The future of CESEE: the impact of megatrends**

Ada Ámon  
Senior Associate  
E3G

Alexia Fürnkranz-Prskawetz  
Professor  
Vienna University of Technology

Mario Holzner  
Executive Director  
The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)

1:30 p.m.  
**Farewell buffet lunch**

This program is subject to change.  
Speakers and panelists are listed in alphabetical order.
GENERAL INFORMATION

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