

## Invitation

### Book presentation „Focus on External Trade 2016/2017“

#### Foreign Direct Investment: Trends, Drivers, Limiting Factors

While conditions for global direct investments have been improving for a number of years, new planned trade and investment agreements such as CETA or TTIP have been or are facing increasing public resistance. In contrast to global developments, FDI into and out of Austria has not seen a noticeable upswing, let alone a boom, over the past years. This year's special topic on FDI aims to shed some light on the reasons underlying these trends. Developments in Austria are analysed against the backdrop of those globally, in Europe and in Austria's neighbour countries, notably the CESEE region. Aspects of international investor protection are specifically targeted. At this event, the authors are going to present and discuss their findings with the audience.

#### Date

Tuesday, June 20, 2017, 9:00 am - 1:30 pm

#### Place

Oesterreichische Nationalbank  
Otto-Wagner-Platz 3, 1090 Vienna  
Veranstaltungssaal Erdgeschoß

#### Registration

Please reply and register under [www.oenb-events.com/schwerpunkt-aussenwirtschaft/](http://www.oenb-events.com/schwerpunkt-aussenwirtschaft/) by June 14, 2017, at the latest.

*Please note that photos will be taken during the event and may be published.*



## Program

09:00 am	<p><b>Opening</b></p> <p><i>Doris Ritzberger/OeNB</i></p>
09:15 am - 10:50 am	<p><b>Current developments in the economy and in foreign trade</b></p> <p><i>Chair: Ralf Kronberger/WKÖ</i></p> <p><i>Klaus Vondra and Christian Ragacs (also on behalf of Julia Wörz and Patricia Walter/OeNB)</i></p> <p><i>Global economic environment and developments in world trade</i> <i>Austrian economic activity and price competitiveness</i> <i>Austria's trade in services</i></p> <p><i>Leonhard Pertl/WKÖ</i> <i>Austria's foreign trade in goods - recent developments</i></p> <p><i>Barbara Tasch-Ronner/WKÖ</i> <i>Recent developments in the EU's trade policy</i></p> <p><i>Thomas Cernohous/OeNB</i> <i>Recent developments in Austria's direct investments</i></p>
10:50 am - 11:20 am	Coffee break
11:20 am - 01:00 pm	<p><b>Foreign Direct Investment: trends, drivers, limiting factors</b></p> <p><i>Chair: Ernest Gnan/OeNB</i></p> <p><i>Ursula Kriebaum/ University of Vienna</i> <i>From arbitration to court: the difference between classical bilateral investor protection treaties and investment protection chapters in EU treaties</i></p> <p><i>Thomas Cernohous/OeNB</i> <i>FATS and FDI statistics: Close connections, different focus</i></p> <p><i>Gabor Hunya/The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies</i> <i>Recent FDI trends in Central, East and Southeast Europe (CESEE)</i></p> <p><i>Edvard Orlic/Bournemouth University</i> <i>Determinants of global value chain participation in CESEE</i></p> <p><i>Arnold Schuh/Vienna University of Economics and Business</i> <i>FDI in Central and Eastern Europe - the business perspective</i></p> <p><i>Hanni Grassauer/ABA - Invest in Austria (tbc)</i> <i>International companies locating in Austria: a major economic driver</i></p>
	A light buffet lunch will be served after the event