“Serbia and Montenegro: A Step Closer to Reaching EU Accession?”

Central European University, Budapest
Nádor utca 9, Monument Building, Popper Room

18 May (Monday) 2015

Conference program

09:00 – 09:30 Registration

09:30 – 09:40 Opening remarks
- John Shattuck, President and Rector of the Central European University

09:40– 10:00 Introductory remarks
- Péter Balázs, Director of CEU’s Center for EU Enlargement Studies (CENS), former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Hungary, former EU Commissioner for Regional Policy

10:00 – 11:30 Panel I. – Extending EU territorial contours in the current framework: Political challenges

Chair: Koller Boglárka, Head of Department of European Studies and Acting Vice Dean for Science and International Relations at the Faculty of International and European Studies, National University of Public Service, Hungary

Speakers:
- Jela Baćović, Deputy Assistant Minister for European Integration, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Serbia
- Vedran Džihić, Researcher, Austrian Institute for International Affairs, Austria
- Tamás Szigetvári, Senior Research Fellow, Institute of World Economics, Center for Economic and Regional Studies of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

11:30 – 12:00 Coffee Break

12:00 – 13:30 Panel II. – Added-value or burden for the EU: Economic challenges

Chair: Péter Ákos Bod, Director of the Institute of Economics, Corvinus University, Hungary

Speakers:
- Danijela Jaćimović, Professor, Faculty of Economics, University of Podgorica, Montenegro
- Miloš Erić, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Economics, Finance and Administration (FEFA), Serbia
• Tamás Novak, Senior Research Fellow, Institute of World Economics, Center for Economic and Regional Studies of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

13:30 – 14:30 Buffet Lunch

14:30 – 16:00 Panel III. – Unemployment, migration and civil society: Social challenges
• Chair: Hana Semanić, Researcher, CENS, CEU

Speakers:
• Jovana Marović Researcher, Institute Alternativa, Montenegro
• Marija Vuksanović, Coordinator in the Rule of Law Department, Centre for Democracy and Human Rights (CEDEM), Montenegro
• Marko Savković, Program Coordinator, the Belgrade Fund for Political Excellence, Serbia

16:00 – 16:15 Closing remarks