



**Institute of World Economics of the Center for Economic and Regional Studies,
Hungarian Academy of Sciences (MTA KRTK VGI)**

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**Centre for EU Enlargement Studies,
Central European University**

cordially invite you to the conference

Chinese investments and financial engagement in Visegrad countries

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Chinese financial assistance in Visegrad countries: myth or reality?"

27 November 2014 (Thursday), 9:00 – 14:00

Central European University

Budapest, Nádor u. 9, Monument Building, Popper Room

The conference will be held in English

Those wishing to attend are kindly requested to confirm by 23 November 2014

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Programme

- 9:00** *Opening remarks*
Prof. Péter Balázs, director, Center for European Enlargement Studies, Central European University, Budapest
- 9:10** *Chinese investments and financial engagement in Poland*
Agnieszka McCaleb, MA, East Asian Center at the World Economy Research Institute, Warsaw School of Economics, Warsaw
- 9:30** *Chinese investments and financial engagement in Hungary*
Dr. Katalin Völgyi, research fellow, Institute of World Economics at the Centre for Economic and Regional Studies of HAS
- 9:50** *Czech-Chinese Relations with a special focus on Chinese FDI*
Dr. Rudolf Fürst, senior research fellow, Institute of International Relations, Prague
- 10:10** *Chinese investments and financial presence in Slovakia and Slovak China-policy*
Dr. Lucia Husinecová, director, Institute of Asian Studies at the Centre for European and North Atlantic Affairs, Bratislava
- 10:30** *Coffee break*
- 11:00** *China's public diplomacy towards Visegrad countries: beyond economic influence?*
Dr. Song Lilei, assistant director, Center of European Studies, School of Political Science & International Relations, Tongji University, Shanghai
- 11:20** *Political relations between China and Visegrad countries: goals, results and prospects*
Dr. Tamás Matura, head of Central European Center for Asian Studies; assistant professor, École Supérieure des Sciences Commerciales d'Angers, Budapest
- 11:40** *Economic trends and patterns of Chinese investments in Visegrad countries*
Dr. Ágnes Szunomár, research fellow, coordinator of the IVF research project, Institute of World Economics at the Centre for Economic and Regional Studies of HAS; deputy head of Central European Center for Asian Studies, Budapest
- 12:00** *How can V4 countries benefit more from Chinese investments?*
Prof. Guenter Heiduk, director, East Asian Center at the World Economy Research Institute, Warsaw School of Economics, Warsaw
- 12:20** **Discussion**
- 12:50** Lunch