

INVITATION

The Center of EU Enlargement Studies, CEU in cooperation with the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung cordially invites you to the conference:

A weakening European magnet? The attractiveness of the European Union in the new decade

Venue: Central European University (1051 Budapest, Nádor u. 9.) Popper Room
Date: 8th June 2010 (Tuesday), 9.00am - 15.00pm

PROGRAM

8.30-9.00 Registration

9.00-9.30 Welcome speech

Heinz Albert Huthmacher, FES Budapest

John Shattuck, CEU Rector and President

9.30-11.30 Countercurrents on the borders? - Discovering Europe's external limits in the far and near abroad

Is the EU's regional leadership role fading away? Has the Union's external image and credibility changed during the past years? Can the EU address partners in its neighborhood as equals or at least as fellow stakeholders and policy-shapers? What is the role of transatlantic partnership in shaping Europe's environment? Can the EU win new allies in the multipolar world?

Mihailo Crnobrnja, Dean, FEFA, Belgrade

Stephen Bastos, Program Officer, DGAP, Berlin

Elena Gnedina, Queens University, Belfast

Gergely Romsics, Hungarian Institute for International Affairs, Budapest

11.50-13.50 A rusting structure? - The effect of internal compromises and economic developments on Europe's appeal in the new decade

Will Europe continue as a site of efficient multi-level governance or is policy fragmentation what lies ahead? Are the current and the future European models competitive? Does the EU offer regional or global strategies for the future? Is the EU successful in representing the interests of its members while also ensuring that a distinctive European voice is heard clearly in international forums?

Iain Begg, Professor, London School of Economics, London

Tibor Dessewffy, President, Demos, Budapest

Ivo Šlosarčík, Director for Research, Europeum, Prague

Thilo Bodenstern, Associate Professor, CEU, Department of Public Policy