The **CEU Center for European Neighborhood Studies (CENS),** andthe **Friedrich Ebert Foundation** cordially invite you to the roundtable discussion

**The Politics of Migration Across Europe**

***Domestic Politics and European Values***

**October 10 (Monday) 2016*,*2.00PM**

**CEU, Nádor 15 Building, Room 103**

In the wake of the 2015 migration crisis, two distinct narratives have emerged within the European Union (EU) about how to deal with this complex issue. Whereas elites in receiving states like Germany and Sweden embrace refugees and focus on the potential economic benefits; the transition states of the Visegrad 4, led by Hungary, see migration exclusively through a security frame, and emphasize the threat of terrorism and the danger that an inflow of “non-Europeans” poses to their national identities. With such a stark contrast between elites in the East and in the West, and their contentious relationship with partners in Turkey and Greece, common European positions become more and more difficult to achieve. The roundtable discussion seeks to investigate this cross-regional variance in elite positions, focusing both on domestic considerations (including societal fears); the larger issue of European values, and how they are rendered both the object of a threat, and the source of a common solution.

# *Opening remarks:* Prof. Michael Ignatieff, President and Rector of CEU

***Chair:* Péter Balázs,** Director of CENS

***Speakers:***

* + **Boldizsár Nagy** (Associate Professor, Central European University)

*The politics of migration in the wake of Hungary’s “quota referendum”*

* + **Alena Kutzko** (Research fellow, GLOBSEC/CEPOLICY)

*Slovakia's fluctuating narratives on migration: from divisive elections to cautious EU Presidency*

* + **Paul Schmidt** (Secretary General, Austrian Society for European Politics)

*Beyond “Willkommenskultur” – a new Austrian narrative?*

* + **Jovan Teokarevic** (Professor, University of Belgrade)

*Serbia’s support for migrants as a reinvention of itself*

* + **Burcu Togral Koca** (Assistant professor, Eskisehir Osmangazi University, Eskişehir)

*The "crisis" of Turkey's migration regime and the Syrian refugees*

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