

The EU in its Neighborhood, Politics and Reflection

Date: 5 December (Wednesday), 2012, 2 pm

Venue: Central European University, Gellner Room
Nador u. 9, 1051 Budapest, HUNGARY

Conference program

14:00-14:05 Opening Remarks:

Peter Balazs – *Director, Center for EU Enlargement Studies, Head Researcher*

14:05-15:10 Panel I: Global Context and EU Neighborhood Policy

- Harmony or Disorder? – Searching for Convergence Between EU Enlargement, Neighborhood and Foreign and Security Policies after Lisbon

Peter Balazs – *Director, Center for EU Enlargement Studies*

- Emerging Rival or Dynamic Partner? – The EU and Russia

Andras Deak – *Adjunct Fellow, Hungarian Institute of International Affairs*

- Four More Years – The Changing Transatlantic Relationship and its Effects on EU External Action

Andras Szalai – *Junior Researcher, Center for EU Enlargement Studies*

15:10-15:30 Coffee Break

15:30-17:00 Panel II: Maintaining Magnetism in the Wake of the Financial Crisis

- The Promises and Future of the Eastern Partnership

Andras Racz – *Senior Fellow, Hungarian Institute of International Affairs*

- The Forever Candidate - Turkey and the EU

Fruzsina Tofalvi – *CEU-PolSci alumna, defense analyst*

- Challenging the Union's Finalité – The EU and the Western Balkans

Anna Orosz – *PhD Candidate, Corvinus University of Budapest*