

80th East Jour Fixe of the Oesterreichische Nationalbank

Bulgaria and Romania – 10 years after EU accession

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Veranstaltungssaal, ground floor

Program

8:30 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. **Welcome address and introductory statement**

Helene Schuberth

Head of Foreign Research Division

Oesterreichische Nationalbank

9:15 a.m. **Session 1**

Macroeconomic developments since EU accession with a special focus on the financial sector and monetary policy

Chair: Helene Schuberth

Head of Foreign Research Division

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Experiences of Romania

Florian Neagu

Deputy Director of the Financial Stability Department

National Bank of Romania

Experiences of Bulgaria

Zornitsa Vladova

Head of Financial and Monetary Research Division

Bulgarian National Bank

10:15 a.m. **Session 2**

The role of EU instruments

Chair: Peter Backé

Deputy Head, Foreign Research Division
Oesterreichische Nationalbank

Progress in the implementation of EU structural and investment funds

Mariana Hristcheva

Head of Unit Evaluation and European Semester
European Commission, DG Regio

Progress on judicial reform, corruption and organized crime in the framework of the cooperation and verification mechanism

William Sleath

Head of Unit Citizen and Security
European Commission, Secretariat-General

11:15 a.m. **Coffee break**

11:45 a.m. **Session 3**

The role of FDI, trade and labor mobility

Chair: Julia Wörz

Head of CESEE Analysis Unit, Foreign Research Division
Oesterreichische Nationalbank

The role of FDI and trade in the catching-up process

Gabor Hunya

Senior Economist
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Emigration and its economic impact on Bulgaria and Romania

Anna Ilyina

Head of Emerging Economies Regional Studies Division
IMF

12:45 p.m. **Event wrap-up**

Marion Mühlberger

Senior Economist
Deutsche Bank, Risk Research

1:00 p.m. **Buffet lunch**