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# Institutional Challenges for Candidate and Potential Candidate Countries on the Road to the EU and EMU (ICS)

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Monday, May 12, 2014

## Institutional and legal framework; economic and monetary union in Europe

08.30h	Registration (lecture room 600B)	Maksym Dutsyak, JVI
09.00h	Welcome and introduction	F. Nauschnigg, OeNB
09.15h	Historical overview of the EU integration process	W. Nitsche, BMF
	Historical context; The rationale for European integration; From economic to political integration; Milestones from founding treaties until the Treaty of Lisbon; The limits of enlargement	
10.45h	Coffee break	
11.00	Introduction to EU-institutions and decision-making	Marie-Therese
	How the European Commission, the Council of the EU, the European Council, the European Parliament and the European Court of Justice function and interact	Zelenka, BMF
12.30h	Lunch	
13.45h	Introduction to economic policy in the EU/EA: Legal base, economic governance and macroeconomic surveillance in the euro area and the EU, the role of EU institutions in economic governance, centralisation of tasks through new institutions (ESM); the EU within a global context (G20, IMF)	Matthias Gruber, BMF Martina Krobath, BMF
	Way forward (Deepening of EMU)	
15.15h	Coffee break	
15.30h	ECB, Eurosystem and ESCB – the institutional set-up of central banking in the monetary union	Michael Sturm, ECB
	Introduction to Eurosystem/ESCB and working modalities; ECB mandate and decision making process; independence and accountability; interaction of ECB and NCBs through committees	
	Experience of a new ESCB member - – The case of Croatia	Davor Lončarek CNB
17.00h	Close of day	1
18.30h	Welcome dinner at Restaurant "Glacis Beisl"	
	Museumsplatz 1, 1070 Vienna	









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Tuesday, May 13, 2014

## European responses to the global crisis

9.00h	Policy responses to the crisis in the euro area  Origins of the crisis and policy responses: ECB response via standard and non-standard measures; policy adjustment at the national level, strengthening the institutional framework of EMU, internationally coordinated action	Christian Fehlker, ECB
10.30h	Coffee break	
10.45h	The new financial architecture in the EU – Banking Union	Demosthenes
	Rationale and institutional set-up; the role and interplay of SSM, SRM and DGS	Ioannou, ECB
	The enhanced role of the ECB in supervision: tasks, working modalities and expected benefits; implications for EU candidate countries / potential candidates	
12.00h	The European Bank Coordination (Vienna) Initiative	Wolfgang Nitsche,
	Rationale, history, outcome and perspectives	BMF
13.00h	GROUP PHOTO, followed by Lunch	
14.15h	Macroprudential Supervision –	Michael Sigmund,
	The key lesson from the crisis	OeNB
	Implementation challenges and solutions	Daniel Unterkofler, OeNB
15.45h	Coffee break	
16.00h	Crisis management	Franz Nauschnigg,
	Financing mechanisms of the EU (EFSM, EFSF, ESM, ECB, EU Balance of Payments (BoP) assistance) and in cooperation with the IMF	OeNB Christina Lerner, OeNB
17.30h	Close of day	1









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Wednesday, May 14, 2014

# Working in an European context – Economic, fiscal and financial tools and procedures and practical case studies

9.00h	Economic policy coordination	Susanna Maria
	EU2020; Macroeconomic- and structural coordination; Broad Economic Policy Guidelines; Employment Guidelines; Institutional framework, European semester	Sandruschitz, BMF
10.30h	Coffee break	
10.45h	EU-budget  Overview of key concepts and figures of the EU budget, determinants of allocations to policy areas (especially structural funds) and Member States; Financial Framework 2014-2020	Karin Vorauer- Mischer, BMF Klaus Federmair, BMF
12.15h	Course lunch at Restaurant "Beim Novak"	
	Richtergasse 12, 1070 Wien	
13.45h	The Eurosystem's relations with EU candidate and potential candidate countries	Daniela Pulst, ECB Christian Fehlker,
	Working with EU candidates and potential candidates, (i) monitoring and analysis, (ii) relations, policies and economic dialogue, (iii) technical cooperation - Case study: Needs Analysis – The case of Serbia	ECB Franz Nauschnigg, OeNB Nadia Benkirane, NBS
15.45h	Coffee break	
16.00h	Cooperation within the ESCB and with candidate countries and potential candidates  Case study - Experience from the Expert Task Force on Financial Stability: Introduction, mandate, procedures and results	Daniela Pulst, Economist, ECB
16.45h	Challenges and benefits from participating in the Task Force – the experience of a central bank from a candidate country – The case of Macedonia	Mihajlo Vaskov, NBRM
17.15h	Challenges and benefits from participating in the Task Force – the experience of a central bank from a potential candidate – The case of Albania	Argita Frasheri, BoA
17.45h	Close of day	









Thursday, May 15, 2014

# Challenges on the way to EU accession – Country experience and workshop

09.00h	Roadmap to the EU and EMU: An overview	Margit Mischkulnig, BMF
09.30	The EU enlargement policy:  Enlargement strategy 2014, benefits of enlargement, enhanced economic dialogue, country-specific information of status of candidate countries and potential candidates	Peter Polajnar, EC DG ENLARG
11.00h	Coffee break	
11.15h	Country experience in the pre-accession period – opportunities and risks – The case of Romania	Gabriela Mihailovici, BNR
12.45h	Lunch	
13.45h	SWOT Analysis, accession process, mind mapping Workshop for 2 groups of participants	Moderation: Peter Polajnar, EC DG ENLARG Gabriela Mihailovici, BNR Isabella Lindner, OeNB
15.45h	Coffee break	
16.00h	Group presentations and wrap-up	Comments: Peter Polajnar, EC DG ENLARG
17.00h	Evaluation of seminar by the participants	Maksym Dutsyak, JVI
17.30h	Close of day	•









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Friday, May 16, 2014

### Synopsis: The future of the Western Balkans in an enlarged Europe

09.00h	Wrap-up of the seminar  Summing-up of the seminar program; distribution of certificates	Isabella Lindner, OeNB		
Lecture room 600C				
09.45h	Coffee break			
10.00h	Roundtable-discussion The future of the Western Balkans in the EU Keynote speech: Economic challenges on the road to a genuine EMU	Norbert Funke, JVI (Chair)  Frank Moss, Director General, ECB Doris Ritzberger-Grünwald, OeNB Alfred Lejsek, BMF Ellen Goldstein, WB Michael Landesmann, wiiw & University of Linz		
12.00h	Buffet lunch			

#### Abbreviations:

• JVI: Joint Vienna Institute

OeNB: Oesterreichische Nationalbank
 BMF: Austrian Federal Ministry of Finance

ECB: European Central Bank
 CNB: Croatian National Bank
 NBS: National Bank of Serbia

NBRM: National Bank of the Republic of Macedonia

BoA: Bank of Albania

EC DG ENLARG: European Commission, Directorate General for Enlargement
 BNR: Banca Naţională a României, National Bank of Romania

WB: World Bank

• wiiw Wiener Institut für Internationale Wirtschaftsvergleiche, The Vienna

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