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## **Course on Macroeconomic Management and Financial Sector Issues**

Vienna, Austria February 8 – 19, 2016

## PROGRAM\*

Mon	day	<b>February</b>	R
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8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. **Administrative Briefing** 

8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Opening Session and Quiz** 

Mr. Norbert Funke, Director, Joint Vienna Institute (JVI); Mr. Francesco Luna, Senior Economist, European and Middle Eastern Division, IMF Institute for Capacity Development

(ICDEM)

Ms. Irina Bunda, Economist, (JVI); Mr. Bob Corker, Consultant, (ICDEM)

9:30 a.m. – 12:15 a.m. L–1 **Policies for Macroeconomic Stability** 

• Overview

• Fiscal, monetary and exchange rate policies

• Structural reforms

Lecture by Mr. Corker

2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. L–2 **Fiscal Policy** 

• Measures of fiscal stance

• The fiscal multiplier

• Fiscal policy, inflation, and growth

Lecture by Mr. Luna

<sup>\*</sup> Coffee breaks will be held from 10:30 a.m.-10:45 a.m. and from 3:30 p.m. -3:45 p.m. unless otherwise indicated. Lunch will be from 12:15p.m.-2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 9		
9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	L-3	<ul> <li>Exchange Rate Regime and Policy</li> <li>Alternative exchange rate regimes</li> <li>Economic performance under different regimes</li> <li>Equilibrium exchange rate assessments</li> <li>Lecture by Ms. Bunda</li> </ul>
2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	W-1	<ul> <li>Workshop: Exchange Rate Management</li> <li>Facilitated by Messrs. Luna and Corker, and Ms. Bunda (Counselors)</li> <li>Choice of monetary and exchange rate regime</li> <li>Discuss accompanying policies</li> <li>Discuss alternative scenarios in plenary</li> </ul>
Wednesday, February 10		
9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	L-4	<ul> <li>Monetary Policy</li> <li>Monetary policy frameworks</li> <li>Transmission mechanisms</li> <li>Challenges from financial instability and the management of commodity price shocks</li> <li>Lecture by Mr. Corker</li> </ul>
2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	L-5	<ul> <li>Financial Stability and Crises</li> <li>What is financial stability</li> <li>Management of banking crises</li> <li>The case study of Ireland</li> <li>Lecture by Ms. Bunda</li> </ul>
Thursday, February 11		
9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	L-6	<ul> <li>Debt Sustainability</li> <li>Debt dynamics</li> <li>DSA template</li> <li>Debt stabilization and policy experiments</li> <li>Lecture by Mr. Luna</li> </ul>
2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	W-2	<ul> <li>Workshop: Debt Sustainability</li> <li>Facilitated by Counselors</li> <li>Key practical principles for assessing debt sustainability</li> <li>Working with the IMF debt sustainability template on the case of Hungary</li> <li>Build scenarios and stress tests</li> </ul>

Friday, February 12		
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 p.m.	L-7	<ul> <li>IMF: History, Governance, Responsibility</li> <li>Surveillance, Lending, Technical Assistance and Training</li> <li>Article IV missions and FSAPs</li> <li>Structure of reports</li> <li>Lecture by Mr. Luna</li> </ul>
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	L-8	Open Lecture on "Macroeconomic Policies in Europe: Quo Vadis" Lecture by Mr.Christian Kastrop, Director, Policy Studies
2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	L-9	Branch, Economics Department, OECD  Micro- and Macro-Prudential Financial Supervision and Regulation  • Micro- and macro-prudential reasons for regulation  • Financial instruments and regulation  • Macro-prudential toolkit  Lecture by Mr. Corker
Monday, February 15		
9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. 2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	L-10 W-3	<ul> <li>Managing Capital Flows</li> <li>Benefits and challenges of capital flows</li> <li>What policies should be used</li> <li>Are prudential measures and capital controls effective?</li> <li>Lecture by Ms. Bunda</li> <li>Workshop: Case Study on Strategies for Dealing with a Surge in Capital Flows</li> <li>Facilitated by Counselors</li> <li>Discuss the macroeconomic context in Thailand prior to introducing capital controls</li> <li>Challenges of dealing with surges in capital flows</li> <li>Suggest alternative policy measures in plenary</li> </ul>
Tuesday, February 16		
9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	L-11	<ul> <li>Macro-Financial Linkages</li> <li>Finance and growth—theory and evidence</li> <li>Financial sector and the business cycle—credit;</li> <li>The financial accelerator</li> <li>Lecture by Mr. Luna</li> </ul>
2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	L-12	<ul> <li>Introduction to Macro Stress Testing</li> <li>Five basic steps of macro stress testing</li> <li>Evaluating Specific Vulnerabilities</li> <li>Case study of Croatia</li> <li>Lecture by Ms. Bunda</li> </ul>

Wednesday, February 17		
9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	W-4	<ul> <li>Workshop: Macroeconomic and Financial Sector Linkages (Kazakhstan 2015 Staff Report and FSSA 2014)</li> <li>Facilitated by Counselors</li> <li>The economic situation in Kazakhstan in 2014/15 and key policy issues</li> <li>The stance of macroeconomic policies</li> <li>The financial sector</li> </ul>
2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	W-5	<ul> <li>Preparation for Participant Presentations (Kazakhstan 2015</li> <li>Staff Report and other background material)</li> <li>Facilitated by Counselors</li> <li>Identify key macroeconomic challenges for Kazakhstan in 2015</li> <li>Suggest policy solutions</li> <li>Describe the effects of specific shocks on the economy and the appropriate policy response</li> </ul>
Thursday, February 18		
9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	W-5	Preparation for Participant Presentations (continued) Facilitated by Counselors
2:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	W-5	<b>Preparation for Participant Presentations (concluded)</b> Facilitated by Counselors
Friday, February 19		
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	O-1	Participant Presentations Facilitated by Counselors
11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.		Final Quiz, Closing and Presentation of Certificates