

**JOINT VIENNA INSTITUTE**  
**Competitiveness, growth and crisis**  
**Seminar organized by the Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)**  
**Vienna, Austria**  
**7 – 11 March, 2016**

**Monday, March 7**

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08:30 – 09:00		Registration and administrative briefing, Alexander Prostimkin, JVI
09:00 – 10:30	L-1	Introduction and Overview (Robert Stehrer, Deputy Director, wiiw, Martin Schindler, Deputy Director, JVI)
10:30 – 11:00		Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:30	L-2	Productivity - measurement and some evidence from OECD (Belen Zini, OECD)
12:30 – 14:00		Lunch break
14:00 – 15:30	L-3	Competitiveness rankings (Elena Bobeica, ECB CompNet)
15:30 – 16:00		Coffee Break
16:00 – 17:00	L-4	Competitiveness and imbalances: an overview about indicators and issues Case study of Spain (Maria Silgoner, OeNB)
18:00		Welcome Reception, JVI Residence

**Tuesday, March 8**

**Competitiveness indicators**

09:00 – 10:30	L-5	Economic Convergence and Competitiveness in Central, East and Southeast Europe: Concepts and Results (Peter Havlik, wiiw)
10:30 – 11:00		Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:00	L-6	Improving Competitiveness in the Western Balkans – Options and Constraints (Mario Holzner, wiiw)
12:00		Group Photo
12:30 – 14:00		Lunch break
14:00 – 15:30	L-7	Competitive Industrial Performance Report (Shohreh Mirzaei, UNIDO)
15:30 – 16:00		Coffee Break
16:00 – 17:00	P-1	<i>Poland, Long-term competitiveness and growth potential, Jacek Bialek, Ministry of Infrastructure and Development</i>
	P-2	<i>Ukraine, Ukraine's Competitiveness and R&amp;D and Innovation Profile, Dar'ya Chayka, Ministry of Education and Science</i>

<b>Wednesday, March 9</b>		<b>Productivity and non-price competitiveness</b>
09:00 – 10:30	L-8	Boosting growth by improving the allocation of resources (Konstantins Benkovskis, BoL and ECB CompNet)
10:30 – 11:00		Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:30	L-9	Non-price competitiveness and barometer of competitiveness pressures (Konstantins Benkovskis, BoL and ECB CompNet, Julia Wörz, OeNB)
12:30 – 14:00		Lunch Break
14:00 – 15:00	L-10	wiiw Database (Monika Schwarzhappel, wiiw)
15:00 – 15:30		Coffee Break
15:30 – 17:00	W-1	Training session on competitiveness indicators (Alexandra Bykova und Monika Schwarzhappel, wiiw)

<b>Thursday, March 10</b>		<b>Industry and global value chains</b>
09:00 – 10:30	W-2	Presentation of the workshop output on competitiveness indicators (Alexandra Bykova und Monika Schwarzhappel, wiiw)
10:30 – 11:00		Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:30	L-11	OECD TFI (Silvia Sorescu, OECD)
12:30 – 14:00		Lunch Break
14:00 – 15:30	P-3	<i>Moldova, National Trade policy of the Republic of Moldova in the context of economic growth, E.Cravet and D. Dumitras, Ministry of Economy</i>
	P-4	<i>Belarus, 'As we did not sleep for the fourth industrial revolution', Halina Maiseichyk, National Bank</i>
	P-5	<i>Latvia, A review on competitiveness of Latvia, Ruta Rimsa, Ministry of Economics</i>
15:30 – 16:00		Coffee Break
16:00 – 17:00	P-6	<i>Montenegro, Competitiveness Profil, B.Boskovic, Ministry of Finance and I. Gardasevic, Ministry of Economy</i>
	P-7	<i>Turkey, Competitiveness profile and policy implications, Mustafa Meydan, Ministry of Development</i>
19:00		<b>Farewell Dinner, Restaurant 'Glacis Beisl' Breite Gasse 4, 1070 Wien</b>

<b>Friday, March 11</b>		<b>Institutions and policies</b>
09:00 – 10:30	L-12	Competitiveness and EU industrial policies (Michael Peneder, WIFO)
10:30 – 10:45		Coffee Break
10:45 – 12:15	L-13	Finance matters: Competitiveness, Growth and Crisis from a firm perspective (Sandra Leitner, wiiw)
12:15 – 13:00		Closing session (R. Stehrer, wiiw)

