

INVITATION

The Antall József Knowledge Centre and the Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies cordially invite you to a conference on 14 November 2016, entitled

PRESENT DAY CHALLENGES OF THE CEE REGION - The Future Perspective of the Visegrad Cooperation

2016 marks the 25th anniversary of the formation of the Visegrad Cooperation. The Antall József Knowledge Centre and the Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies are organising a roundtable discussion focusing on questions that define the present and the future of the Cooperation.

The V4 formation has lately become an important actor both in its internal and external relations. Through their cooperation, the four countries can better represent their interests and address common challenges.

To commemorate this anniversary, the Knowledge Centre and the Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies are organising a roundtable discussion which, by giving a historic overview of the Cooperation, aims to discuss questions defining its present and identify issues that the V4 countries will focus on in the future.

We would like to invite the most notable experts on international relations, EU common policies, and economics, to share their views on the above-mentioned topics. Our aim is to examine and evaluate the Cooperation from a European perspective.

Date: 14 November 2016

Venue: Polak Hall, Residence Palais, Rue de la Loi 155, 1040 Brussels



Please register by 7 November 2016





PROGRAMME



4pm REGISTRATION

| 4:50pm | WELCOME ADDRESS | |
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| | lldikó Voller-Szenci | Deputy Director, Head of Brussels Office, Antall József Knowledge Centre |
| | Tomi Huhtanen | Executive Director, Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies |
| 5:10pm | PANEL DISCUSSION | |
| | Yves Bertoncini | Director, Notre Europe – Jacques Delors Institute |
| | Vladimír Bartovic | Director, Europeum |
| | Dr Marcin Zaborowski | Executive Vice President, Center for European Policy Analysis |
| | Dr Fabian Zuleeg | Executive Director and Chief Economist, European Policy Centre |
| | Tamás Novák | Director of the Research Centre, Budapest Business School |
| | Moderator: | Jan Cienski, Energy and Security Editor, Politico |
| 6pm | Q&A Session | |
| 6:10pm | CLOSING REMARKS | |
| | Jan Cienski | Energy and Security Editor, Politico |

6:20pm V4 FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING

| HE Péter Szijjártó | Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Hungary |
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| HE Lubomír Zaorálek | Minister of Foreign Affairs, Czech Republic (TBC) |
| HE Witold Waszczykowski | Minister of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Poland |
| HE Miroslav Lajčák, | Minister of Foreign and European Affairs, Slovak Republic (TBC) |

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