



Does emerging Europe need a new growth model? A Bruegel-EBRD Symposium

24 November 2010, 12.00-17.00, Bruegel Brussels

You are invited to attend the Bruegel-EBRD Symposium, *Does emerging Europe need a new growth model?*

Countries in central, eastern and south-eastern Europe within and across the borders of the EU had a unique growth model before the crisis. However the region was hit hard by the crisis and the recovery so far has been hesitant, with sharp variations across countries. Does the region need a 'new growth model'? What needs to change? What kind of buffers are needed to avoid future shocks and what reforms are needed to ensure sustainable growth? What are the implications for financial sector reform, exchange rate policies and fiscal policies?

This event aims to address these questions and will feature the Brussels presentation of the EBRD Transition Report 2010, titled *Recovery and Reform* and the launch of the Bruegel-wiiw volume *Whither growth in central and eastern Europe? Policy lessons for an integrated Europe*, written by Torbjörn Becker, Daniel Daianu, Zsolt Darvas, Vladimir Gligorov, Michael A. Landesmann, Pavle Petrović, Jean Pisani-Ferry, Dariusz K. Rosati, André Sapir and Beatrice Weder di Mauro.

12:00-12:30 Luncheon

12:30-13:30 Session 1: Central and Eastern Europe after the crisis

Chair:

Leszek Balcerowicz, Professor, Warsaw School of Economics and Chairman of Bruegel's Board

Speakers:

Marek Belka, President, National Bank of Poland (invited, t.b.c.)

Thomas Mirow, President, EBRD

13:30-15:00 Session 2: Rebalancing and invigorating growth

Chair:

André Sapir, Senior Fellow, Bruegel

Speakers:

Erik Berglof, Chief Economist and Special Advisor to the President, EBRD

Michael Landesmann, Director, The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)



Discussant:

László Andor, European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

15:00-15:20 Coffee break

15:20-16:50 Session 3: Financial sector reform, exchange rate and fiscal policies

Chair:

Vladimir Gligorov, Researcher, The Vienna institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)

Speakers:

Jeromin Zettelmeyer, Deputy Chief Economist and Director of Research, EBRD

Zsolt Darvas, Research Fellow, Bruegel

Discussant:

Gordon Bajnai, Former Prime Minister of Hungary

16:50-17:00 Close

Jean Pisani-Ferry, Director, Bruegel

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