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# 1. Veranstaltungen für Mitglieder und Stakeholder

wiiw-Mitgliederseminar 2020: „Entering a storm? The economic and political challenges facing Eastern Europe in the 2020s“, 26. März 2020 (Covid-19-bedingt entfallen)

Experts' Breakfast, bei dem den Vertreter\_innen der Researchabteilungen der Banken mit Sitz in Wien, der OeNB und Expert\_innen unserer Stakeholder die aktuellen Analysen des Instituts vorgestellt werden, 16. März 2020 (Covid-19-bedingt entfallen), 5. Mai 2020 und 10. November 2020.





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## wiiw Spring Seminar 2020

### **Entering a storm? The economic and political challenges facing Eastern Europe in the 2020s**

Much of Central, East and Southeast Europe (CESEE) is currently the bright spot in the global economy. However, at the start of a new decade, the region faces many serious challenges. In this context, wiiw is organising its 2020 Spring Seminar, gathering some of the leading experts in the field to explore the potential difficulties facing CESEE in the next decade and come up with proposals for how to meet them.

At the global level, the US and China are de-coupling technologically and engaged in a trade conflict. The US has thrown both the global economic order and Western security architecture that it created after 1945 into doubt. It is clear that the US unipolar moment is over, and that we are in a new era of great power conflicts, most visible in tensions between the US and China and the West and Russia. CESEE is particularly exposed to these developments, both because of its high reliance on foreign trade to drive growth, and because of its history as a geopolitically contested zone.

Closer to home, the euro area economy—by far CESEE’s most important trading partner and source of capital inflows—is barely growing. The single currency is only half-finished and is vulnerable to the next crisis. Franco-German tensions over the future of the European project have become more visible. Meanwhile a decade of extraordinary increases in dollar, euro and yen liquidity has seen foreign investors pile in to CESEE asset markets in search of yields. Worrying signs of potential bubbles are everywhere.

Politically, negative trends in Europe been visible for some time, but may become even more acute in the next decade. In CESEE, population decline, automation and digitalisation are set to fundamentally alter economic and social life. All around the borders of the EU instability is apparent, including Brexit, migration pressures in Africa, the war in Ukraine and the simmering refugee crisis in the Western Balkans. EU enlargement looks to be many years away, which could have highly unfavourable effects in Southeast Europe. In EU member states in CESEE, independent institutions are facing their most serious threat since the collapse of communism. Meanwhile the prospects for EU-Russia rapprochement look remote.



wiiw Spring Seminar 2020

**Entering a storm?  
The economic and political challenges  
facing Eastern Europe in the 2020s**

**Thursday, 26 March 2020**

Venue: Oesterreichische Nationalbank  
1090 Vienna, Otto-Wagner-Platz 3, Kassensaal

**Programme**

- 09:00 – 9:30 **Welcome Addresses**  
*Robert Holzmann*, Governor, Oesterreichische Nationalbank  
*Hannes Swoboda*, President, wiiw  
*Robert Stehrer*, Scientific Director, wiiw
- 9:30 – 10:45 **Keynote Address: Geoeconomic Challenges and the Future of Europe: What it will take to make the EU and the euro stronger players in the age of global power competition.**  
*Daniela Schwarzer*, Director of the German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP)
- 10:45 – 11:15 Coffee break
- 11:15 – 12:00 **Economic Forecasts and Risk Outlook for Eastern Europe**  
*Olga Pindyuk* Economist and *Richard Grieveson*, Deputy Director, wiiw
- 12:00 – 13:00 Buffet luncheon
- 13:00 – 14:00 **Keynote Address: The Future of Eastern Europe: New decade, new challenges and opportunities**  
*Ivan Vejvoda*, Permanent Fellow at the Institute for Human Sciences (IWM)
- 14:00 – 14:30 **New Migration Patterns in Europe: What can be learned from the integration experience in Austria?**  
*Sandra Leitner*, Economist, wiiw
- 14:30 – 15:00 **New Global Trade Order: How to handle the biggest threat to globalisation for several decades?**  
*Roman Stöllinger*, Economist, wiiw

15:00 – 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 – 16:30 **Panel Discussion: How the EU should engage with its neighbouring regions in the 2020s**

Moderator: **Mario Holzner**, Executive Director, wiiw

**Valerie Hopkins**, South-East Europe Correspondent, Financial Times

**Velina Tchakarova**, Head of Institute, Austrian Institute for European and Security Policy (AIES)

**Stefan Lehne**, Visiting Scholar, Carnegie Europe

**Vladimir Gligorov**, Senior Research Associate, wiiw

16:30 End of seminar

17:30 **Informal gathering at a Viennese 'Heurigen' by invitation of wiiw**

Address: 10er Marie, Ottakringer Straße 222, 1160 Vienna

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We gratefully acknowledge the sponsoring of this event by Oesterreichische Nationalbank.

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## wiiw Experts Breakfast zur Frühjahrsprognose 2020

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**Montag, 16. März 2020, 9:00 Uhr**

zu uns ins wiiw (Rahlgasse 3/Souterrain, 1060 Wien)

ein.

Wir werden Ihnen die Ergebnisse unserer aktuellen Konjunkturprognose für 23 Länder Mittel-, Ost- und Südosteuropas (MOSOEL) präsentieren, die bei unserer Pressekonferenz am Tag darauf, dem 17. März um 10 Uhr, vorgestellt wird.

Wir laden Sie ein, in einer informellen Diskussionsrunde bei einem Frühstück auch Ihre Einschätzung der aktuellen Lage mit uns und anderen Experten zu teilen.

Thema der aktuellen wiiw Prognose:

**Osteuropa: EU-Staaten verlieren an Schwung.**

**Bessere Nachrichten für die anderen.**

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## wiiw Experts Breakfast zur Frühjahrsprognose 2020

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am **Dienstag, 5. Mai 2020, 9 Uhr**

als **Online-Präsentation via MS Teams**.

Zur [Registrierung](#)

Wir präsentieren unsere **neue Wirtschaftsprognose für 23 Länder Mittel-, Ost- und Südosteuropas** (MOSOEL) für 2020-2021, die am Tag darauf im Rahmen unserer Pressekonferenz vorgestellt wird.

Wir laden Sie ein, in einer informellen Diskussionsrunde auch Ihre Einschätzung der aktuellen Lage mit uns und anderen Experten zu teilen.

Thema der aktuellen wiiw Prognose:

### *Neue wiiw Prognose für Osteuropa: Die Suche nach Schutz vor dem Sturm*

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## wiiw Experts Breakfast zur Herbstprognose 2020

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am **Dienstag, 10. November 2020, 9 Uhr**

als **Online-Präsentation in englischer Sprache**

Zur Registrierung benutzen Sie bitte diesen [Link](#).

Wir präsentieren unsere **neue Wirtschaftsprognose für 23 Länder Mittel-, Ost- und Südosteuropas** (MOSOEL) für 2020-2022, die am Donnerstag, 12. November 2020 im Rahmen unserer Pressekonferenz vorgestellt wird.

Wir laden Sie ein, in einer informellen Diskussionsrunde auch Ihre Einschätzung der aktuellen Lage mit uns und anderen Experten zu teilen.

Thema der aktuellen wiiw Prognose:

### **Osteuropa: Coronavirus lässt keine schnelle Erholung zu**

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## 2. wiiw Seminarreihen

### 2.1. GLOBAL ECONOMY LECTURE (MIT OENB)

Die *Global Economy Lecture* findet ein Mal pro Jahr statt und hat das Ziel, eine\_n prominente\_n Referent\_in zum Thema International Economics einem breiteren Publikum vorzustellen. Die Veranstaltung wird in Kooperation mit der OeNB durchgeführt und findet in den Räumen der OeNB statt.

- › Webinar: "*Globalization and Pandemics*", Pol Antràs, Robert G. Ory, 26 November 2020 als Webinar

### 2.2. POLICY PERSPECTIVES FOR EUROPEAN INTEGRATION

Diese Seminarreihe *Policy Perspectives for European Integration* hat einen wirtschaftspolitischen Fokus und richtet sich nicht nur an Wissenschaftler\_innen, sondern an eine breitere Öffentlichkeit.

Keine in 2020 (siehe stattdessen die Veranstaltungen in der Abteilung Webinare)

### 2.3. INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS (IM RAHMEN DES FIW)

Das wiiw veranstaltet die Seminarreihe *Seminar in International Economics* in Kooperation mit dem FIW, Kompetenzzentrum „Forschungsschwerpunkt Internationale Wirtschaft, mit dem Ziel, aktuelle und im Entstehen befindliche Arbeiten zu diesem Themenschwerpunkt vorzustellen und zu diskutieren. Es werden sowohl wirtschaftspolitisch orientierte Arbeiten als auch theoretisch oder empirisch ausgerichtete Aufsätze vorgestellt.

- › "*Structural change in the Chinese economy and changing trade relations with the world*", Eddy Bekkers, 30. Jänner 2020
- › "*Predictability of Financial Crises: The Impact of Fundamental, Policy-induced and Institutional Vulnerabilities on China Compared to other Emerging Markets*", Sebastian Petric, 10. Februar 2020



## Global Economy Lecture: Globalization and Pandemics (Webinar)

Pol Antràs, Robert G. Ory Professor of Economics, Harvard University

### Date and time

Thursday, 26 November, 2020, 4:00 pm (CET)

### Venue

Online event via WebEx

### Speaker

Pol Antràs, Robert G. Ory Professor of Economics, Harvard University

### Introduction

Robert Holzmann, Governor, Oesterreichische Nationalbank

### Chair

Robert Stehrer, Scientific Director, The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)

### Speaker biography and abstract

This year's Global Economy Lecture will be given by Pol Antràs, Robert G. Ory Professor of Economics at Harvard University. Pol Antràs's research interests are in the areas of international economics and applied theory. In his most recent work, he analyzed global value chains and the interplay between trade, inequality and costly redistribution.

The 2020 Global Economy Lecture will focus on the relationship between globalization and pandemics. On the one hand, deepening global integration can lead to multiple waves of infections, whereas, in a closed economy, only a single wave would occur. On the other hand, a pandemic may have a lasting impact on global value chains. Even though the growth of international trade flows has slowed down since the Great Recession, there is little systematic evidence for an era of de-globalization. The main challenge for the future of globalization is institutional and political in nature rather than technological. If it aggravates policy tensions across countries, the current health crisis may darken the prospects of globalization.

The Global Economy Lecture is jointly organized by the Oesterreichische Nationalbank and The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw).





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## Structural change in the Chinese economy and changing trade relations with the world

**Eddy Bekkers**  
**World Trade Organisation**

**30 January 2020, 3:00 pm**  
wiiw, Rahlgasse 3, 1060 Vienna, library (2nd floor)

### **Description**

The presentation is based on a paper co-authored with Robert Koopman and Carolina lemos Rego.

This paper examines the impact of structural change in China, in particular a reduction in the savings rate, an increase in the share of skilled workers, and an increase in productivity in technologically advanced manufacturing sectors targeted by Made in China 2025. Baseline projections until 2040 are generated with the WTO Global Trade Model, a dynamic computable general equilibrium model. With the modelled structural changes the Chinese economy is projected to reorient its focus increasingly onto the domestic economy, raising the share of private household and government consumption in GDP, turning China's trade surplus into a trade deficit, reducing China's share in global exports, raising the share of services in both production and exports, shifting the destination markets of Chinese exports from developed to developing countries, and changing its pattern of comparative advantage away from sectors like light and heavy manufacturing to electronic and machinery equipment. The large bilateral trade surplus vis-a-vis the United States is projected to fall to almost zero.



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## Predictability of Financial Crises: The Impact of Fundamental, Policy-induced and Institutional Vulnerabilities on China Compared to other Emerging Markets

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**Sebastian Petric**  
**RBI and University of Oxford**

**10 February 2020, 4:00 pm**  
wiiw, Rahlgasse 3, 1060 Vienna, library (2nd floor)

### **Description**

The presentation is based on a [book with the same title](#).

In 2015 and 2016, China's exchange rate was struck by unprecedented volatility, which does not get appropriate attention from an early warning perspective. The dependent variable of this research is the currency debasement of the Chinese yuan, which took place in August 2015, together with the revision and the subsequent alterations in the exchange rate regime, as well as the entailed capital flow volatility. The independent variables are three analytical dimensions, namely fundamental, policy-induced and institutional vulnerabilities. I analyse why China was less severely affected by financial crises over the past forty years relative to other emerging markets and developing economies. By drawing on lessons from past financial crises, I shed light on the notion that China had advantages along those three dimensions which made the country less vulnerable to financial crises, in particular to excess volatility in China's currency. I hypothesise, however, that certain variables of these dimensions have changed, thus leading to increased fragilities of China in the second half of 2015 and 2016.

## 3. Webinare und Events zu speziellen Themen

- › „*Expanding the Technological Frontier of Macroeconomic Modeling*“, Michael Miess. 20. Jänner 2020
- › The Welfare Magnet Hypothesis Revisited? A Natural Experiment in Austria, Fanny Dellinger, 3 März 2020
- › Webinar: *wiiw Spring Forecast 2020 for Central, East and Southeast Europe*, Economic consequences of the coronavirus for Eastern Europe: two wiiw scenarios, 18 März 2020
- › Industrializing in the Digital Age: Main Findings from UNIDO's Industrial Development Report 2020, Alejandro Lavopa 19. März, 2020 (Covid-19-bedingt entfallen)
- › Sino-European Economic Co-opetition, Alexander G. Welzl 30. März 2020 (Covid-19-bedingt entfallen)
- › Webinar: “*Eurogroup responses to Covid-19*”, Panel discussion evaluating EU/EMU policy responses and proposals, Maria Demertzis, Kurt Bayer, Michael Landesmann, Philipp Heimberger, 20. April 2020
- › Webinar: “*Assessing the 23/4 Council Meeting on the EU recovery plan*”, Economists from Germany, France, Italy and Austria discussing EU policy responses and proposals, Agnès Bénassy-Quéré, Peter Bofinger, Annamaria Simonazzi, Michael Landesmann, 27. April 2020
- › Webinar: *Looking for shelter from the storm*, Presentation of new economic forecasts for Eastern Europe for 2020-21, 6. Mai 2020
- › Webinar: “*Covid-19 Crisis and Emerging Economies*”, Economists discuss the social and economic crisis in emerging economies in the current global context, Jayati Ghosh, Fiona Tregenna, Richard Grieveson, Michael Landesmann, 11. Mai 2020
- › Webinar: “*Corona-crisis: Views from across the Atlantic*”, US economists on the economic impact of the crisis and policy developments in the US and Europe, Adam S. Posen, Vivien A. Schmidt, Jeffrey Frieden, Michael Landesmann, 26. Mai 2020
- › Webinar: “*Economic Challenges and Costs of Reintegrating the Donbas Region in Ukraine*”, wiiw presents a new study on the costs of reconstruction of the Donbas region and discusses ways to overcome the economic damages with renowned panellists, Dr. Wolfgang Schüssel, Artem Kochnev, Peter Havlik, Martin Sajdik, Velina Tchakarova, Olga Pindyuk, Mario Holzner, *wiiw Research Report 447*, 25. Juni 2020

- › Webinar: “*Ways out of the Impasse in Belarus, Panel discussion with experts from Belarus*”, Kateryna Bornukova, Alexander Chubrik, Dzmitry Kruk, Rumen Dobrinsky, Richard Grieveson, *wiiw Policy Notes and Reports 40*, 22. Oktober 2020
  
- › Webinar: “*Trade, Investments, Technology, Climate Change, Human Rights: How should the EU deal with China?*”, – panel discussion organised by Austro-French Centre for Rapprochement in Europe (ÖFZ), Vienna; Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation (KAS) Multilateral Dialogue, Vienna; French Institute for International Relations (Ifri), Paris; with the support of The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw), Vienna; Dominique David, Dietmar Schweisgut, Claudia Crawford, Helena Koenig, Reinhard Buetokofer, Alice Ekman, Martin Hala, Kristin Shi.Kupfer, Janez Premoze, Romana Vlahutin, Peter Hefele, Mario Holzner, Regina Figl, 27. Oktober 2020
  
- › Webinar: “*No quick recovery in sight, coronavirus risks looming large*”, Presentation of new economic forecasts for Eastern Europe for 2020-21, *wiiw Autumn Economic Forecast for Eastern Europe*, 12. November 2020



# Expanding the Technological Frontier of Macroeconomic Modeling

Michael Miess, Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU Wien)

20 January 2020, 5:00 pm

## Venue

wiiw, Rahlgasse 3, 1060 Vienna, library (2nd floor)

## Description

The potential of agent-based models (ABMs) to complement or even gradually replace existing economic models has been pointed out for more than three decades. However, the success of ABMs in entering the heartland of the economic profession so far has been limited. In this context, it might be useful to view ABMs as a disruptive innovation (or methodology) that still has to assert itself against existing technologies, i.e. the methods and models used by the majority of economists. I will present a novel macroeconomic ABM that surpasses the state of the art in AB modelling along several dimensions, showing that ABMs have matured and are ready to enter the toolbox of economic models for policy analysis and forecasting. This ABM is validated by comparing its forecasting performance to that of more conventional techniques for economic modelling, i.e. simple time series models and a standard DSGE model. The macroeconomic ABM introduces several innovations to the field of AB modelling. Firstly, it achieves a realistic depiction of an actual economy (Austria) by estimation to detailed data from national accounts, input-output tables, government statistics, census data, and business demography data. Furthermore, and also unique in comparable literature, this model incorporates all economic entities of a national economy, i.e. all households (more than 8 million) and firms (more than 600,000) of the Austrian economy are represented by agents within the model. Moreover, several open issues in ABM literature are addressed by adhering closely to these data sources, respecting identities of the system of national accounts, and by adopting simple formulations to structure agents' behavior. In particular, the model proposes solutions to several long-standing and well-known problems of ABMs, including ad-hoc and arbitrary assumptions, comparability between different models, transparency and reproducibility, over-parameterization, estimation and calibration, empirical validation, as well as interpretation and generalization of results. Especially, our ABM approach allows reducing the number of free parameters - i.e. parameters that cannot directly be set according to empirical data and have to be calibrated using techniques that focus on replicating 'stylized facts' of actual economies - to zero. Therefore, this ABM is not subject to the parameter identification problem, which relates to multiple sets of admissible parameters that produce the same model result. Additionally, this ABM is able to abstract from what is known as a transient or 'burn-in' phase in ABM literature, i.e. possibly long periods of time where these models usually exhibit volatile and irregular behavior and which usually are discarded for analysis of model results. Contrary to such a burn-in phase, this ABM offers a stable and clearly interpretable depiction of an actual economy starting from the first quarter of the simulation period. These features turn this ABM into a viable tool for economic forecasting and policy analysis.

**Michael Gregor Miess** (\*1983 in Innsbruck, Austria) is actively researching in the fields of macroeconomics, macroeconomic modelling (agent-based, stock flow consistent, and computable general equilibrium models), financial markets and their link to the real economy, as well as ecological economics. He is currently affiliated with the Institute for Ecological Economics at the Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU Wien), and with the Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS) Vienna. Michael is a graduate in economics from the University of Vienna, and has obtained his PhD in economics at WU Wien in November 2019.

Michael's work for his PhD thesis focused on the development and methodology of empirical agent based models (ABMs), conducted in cooperation with the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) in Laxenburg. He has participated in building an ABM for the Austrian economy incorporating a wide range of macroeconomic data sources (national accounts, input-output tables, government statistics, census data and business surveys). This model is able to outperform standard time series models (ARMA, VAR models) and a standard DSGE model in short- to medium-term forecasting of major macroeconomic variables, and has a large potential for scenario and policy analysis.

Currently, at the Institute for Ecological Economics at WU Wien, Michael is involved in projects funded by the Austrian Central Bank. His focus here is on the development of stock-flow consistent (SFC) macroeconomic models. One aspect of his work with SFC models is to explore harmonized policy responses to mitigate financial-risks related to climate change and thus to smoothing the low-carbon transition. Moreover, Michael co-developed an SFC model that is able to depict credit-fueled financial cycles due to credit creation by the financial sector, causing asset price inflation and influencing investment behavior by firms (financial vs. real investment).

At IHS, Michael has co-developed an innovative hybrid top-down bottom-up computable general equilibrium (CGE) model with focus on energy provision and environmental effects. This model has repeatedly been used for policy-related studies for Austrian ministries. Michael has coordinated and researched for a trans-national project (DEFINE) co-funded by the European Commission that featured the extension and application of this CGE model to analyze a large-scale shift to electromobility in Austria, Germany and Poland.

# The Welfare Magnet Hypothesis Revisited? A Natural Experiment in Austria

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Fanny Dellinger, University of Innsbruck

3 March 2020, 3:00 pm

## Venue

wiiw, Rahlgasse 3, 1060 Vienna, lecture hall (entrance from the ground floor)

## Description

How do welfare levels influence refugees' intra-state location choice? The welfare magnet hypothesis claims that migrants will be disproportionately drawn to high-welfare locations. So far, the hypothesis has proven difficult to verify empirically because of the multiplicity of factors influencing mobility choices. However, due to a policy of initial random dispersion of refugees in Austria and subsequent welfare reforms in specific states, it is possible to causally identify the effect of welfare on location choice. In addition, different rules regarding welfare apply to refugees depending on their protection status. The welfare reforms always left one group of refugees within the state unaffected, thereby creating inner-state control groups. This allows for a rich identification strategy, which controls for state-time, group-time and group-state fixed effects.

The results show strong evidence for welfare levels having an effect on location choice. However, for understanding overall mobility patterns of refugees the importance of state specific support structures cannot be overstated. Finally, policy implications for Austria will be discussed.

**Fanny Dellinger** is currently doing her PhD in Economics at University of Innsbruck focusing on location choice and integration of refugees. Previously, she has done interdisciplinary research on labour market integration of refugees in Austria at University of Vienna and on attitudes towards migration and demographic change at Austrian Institute of Economic Research. Her Master in Economics is from University of Vienna. Fanny Dellinger has also been active as a volunteer organizing German classes for refugees.

## Webinar: wiiw Spring Forecast 2020 for Central, East and Southeast Europe

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Economic consequences of the coronavirus for Eastern Europe: two wiiw scenarios

18 March 2020, 4:00 pm

### Venue

This is an online event

Please register here: <https://my.demio.com/ref/Sg3t7VzHiM7zn4W8>

### Description

A presentation of the latest wiiw Forecast Report for 23 countries of Central, East and Southeast Europe (CESEE).

The following questions will be addressed:

- › What **impact** will the **coronavirus** have on the economies of Eastern Europe?
- › Which countries will be **most affected**?
- › Will the eastern EU states **find a new growth strategy** to counteract the international economic weakness?
- › What does the **collapse of the oil price mean for Russia**?
- › Is the recent **economic upswing in Turkey** sustainable or is a new crash looming?
- › What economic significance do current political developments have for the **Western Balkans**?

The presentation will be held in **English**. Attendees will also have the **opportunity to ask questions**.

**Presenter:** Olga Pindyuk

**Moderator:** Richard Grieveson

*Olga Pindyuk is Economist at wiiw. Her research focuses on foreign trade, trade in services, international economics and financial markets. She is also country expert for Kazakhstan, Ukraine and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS).*

*Richard Grieveson is Economist and Deputy Director at wiiw. His research focus includes Turkey and the Balkans, CESEE country analysis and forecasting, migration, economic history, and sovereign risk.*

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## Industrializing in the Digital Age: Main Findings from UNIDO's Industrial Development Report 2020

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Alejandro Lavopa, Department of Policy, Research and Statistics of UNIDO

19 March 2020, 4:00 pm

### Venue

wiiw, Rahlgasse 3, 1060 Vienna, lecture hall (entrance from the ground floor)

### Description

The emergence and diffusion of advanced digital production (ADP) technologies clustered around the fourth industrial revolution is radically altering the nature of manufacturing production, increasingly blurring the boundaries between physical and digital production systems. The significant requirements of ADP technologies are opening questions on whether industrialization is still a feasible or even a desirable strategy to achieve economic development. UNIDO's flagship report, the Industrial Development Report 2020 contributes to this debate by presenting fresh analytical and empirical evidence on the future of industrialization in the context of a technological paradigm shift. It argues that industrialization continues to be the main avenue for successful development and analyses how developing countries can leverage the salient features of the emerging technologies to their advantage. According to the report, it is precisely by engaging with industrialization that countries can build and strengthen the skills and capabilities needed to compete and succeed within the new technological paradigm.

**Alejandro Lavopa** works as Research and Industrial Policy Officer at the Department of Policy, Research and Statistics of UNIDO. He is responsible for engaging in research activities and providing industrial policy advice with particular emphasis on issues related to economic growth, structural change and industrialization. Among other tasks, he coordinates UNIDO's flagship publication, the Industrial Development Report. He obtained his PhD in Economics and Policy Studies of Technical Change at UNU-MERIT. Before joining UNIDO, Alejandro worked at the Argentine Ministry of Economy and at the University of Buenos Aires. Recent publications include articles in journals, such as World Development and Structural Change and Economic Dynamics, and chapter contributions to key reference books.

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## Sino-European Economic Co-opetition

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Alexander G. Welzl, Lecturer, University of Applied Sciences Technikum Wien

30 March 2020, 4:00 pm

### Venue

wiiw, Rahlgasse 3, 1060 Vienna, lecture hall (entrance from the ground floor)

### Description

#### Challenges for Global Industrial Innovation Value Chains in Times of Digital Transformation and Post-fossil Economies

Industry 4.0 and Internet of Things (IoT) have emerged as driving forces for fundamental change in the world of industry and economies. Mainly coined by Western researchers, corporations and governments and meanwhile spread throughout the industrialized and emerging economies of the world these concepts call for a novel evolutionary step in organizing human-machine interaction in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. At the same time digital transformation has pervaded the private sphere in Western societies as well as China to create a citizen-corporate continuum. Challenging the sovereign governance systems these developments bring to the fore novel governance approaches in Western-style democratic open market economies as well as in the digital-authoritarian hyper-capitalism with Chinese characteristics. Against this backdrop some even argue the mercantilistic Chinese economy weakens Western innovation performance and National Innovation Systems in Europe and the US. Taking into account converging fields of technologies and research in the context of digital transformation (AI, big data, robotics, telecommunication, quantum information technology) this talk takes stock of the entanglement of the Chinese and European economies. Exemplifying the delicate mutual economic dependence and some of the contradictions to be solved in the light of global industrial (innovation) value chains in the coming time the case of Huawei and 5G implementation as well as the quest for quantum supremacy in search of a new balance between the major innovation economies (Europe, US, China) are addressed in some detail.

With a professional and scientific background in economic research, financial markets, innovation and entrepreneurship as well as sustainability **Alexander G. Welzl** started to teach the first university course in Europe focusing on the National Innovation System of PR China in winter term 2018 at the University of Applied Sciences Technikum Wien (UASTW, Austria). Alex has been invited as guest researcher and visiting fellow at European and Chinese universities (e.g. Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, Zhejiang University). Currently he is preparing for his visiting fellowships at TUS College of Digit (Tsinghua University Science Park Holding) and School of Economics and Management at Liuzhou. Alexander is a frequently invited speaker contributing to conferences, expert workshops and seminars amongst others at and with United Nations, OECD, World Bank, European Commission, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (Beijing/China), US National Academy of Sciences (Washington DC/USA), Harvard University (Boston/USA), Peking University (Beijing/China), University of Oxford (Oxford/UK), University of International Business and Economics (Beijing/China), European University Institute (Florence/Italy), WIFO (Vienna/Austria), ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA etc. In 2018 Alexander founded the boutique economics and policy advisory firm ,METROPOLITAN HORIZONS' headquartered in Vienna/Austria.

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## Webinar: Eurogroup responses to Covid-19

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### Panel discussion evaluating EU/EMU policy responses and proposals

**20 April 2020, 11:00 am**

#### Venue

This is an online event

Please register here: <https://my.demio.com/ref/p2nzFxQH0MbXzeFR>

#### Key topics

- › Are the current proposals coming from the Eurogroup and the Commission enough?
- › What can assure a sustainable recovery of the European economy?
- › Can disparities between EU-North and EU-South be overcome?
- › How will Europe emerge in the global context post Covid-19 crisis?

#### Panelists

**Maria Demertzis** is Deputy Director at Bruegel. She has previously worked at the European Commission and the Dutch Central Bank and has held academic positions at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government, USA and the University of Strathclyde, UK.

**Kurt Bayer** is wiiw Senior Research Associate and former Board Director at the World Bank and at EBRD. His research interests focus, among others, on crisis prevention and resolution and EU economic policy.

**Michael Landesmann** is wiiw Senior Research Associate and former Scientific Director of wiiw. He is professor of economics at Johannes Kepler University and was economic advisor of former EU Commission President Romano Prodi.

**Philipp Heimberger** is Economist at wiiw. His research focuses on macroeconomics, public economics and international economics. He has worked on macroeconomic divergence and structural change in the European Union, and the coordination of European fiscal policies.

The presentation will be held **in English**. Attendees will also have the **opportunity to ask questions**.

## Webinar: Assessing the 23/4 Council Meeting on the EU recovery plan

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Economists from Germany, France, Italy and Austria discussing EU policy responses and proposals

**27 April 2020, 11:30 am**

### Venue

This is an online event

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### Description

The following questions will be addressed:

- › What did the council meeting achieve?
- › What are the merits of the different proposals on the table?
- › What will the recovery of the EU economy look like?
- › How concerned should we be about the political fall-out from EU policy responses?

### Speakers

**Agnès Bénassy-Quéré** is a Professor at University of Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne and Paris School of Economics. She is also a Member of the French macro-prudential authority, the Franco-German council of economic experts, and the Banque de France general board. From 2012 until 2017, she chaired the French Council of Economic Advisors. Her research interests focus on the international monetary system and European macroeconomic policy.

**Peter Bofinger** is Professor and Chair for Monetary Policy and International Economics at the University of Würzburg and was from 2004 to 2019 a member of the German Council of Economic Experts. He is also a member of the Council on the Euro Zone Crisis, and the European Council of Foreign Relations. His research focus is directed at monetary policy and theory, monetary and exchange rate policy, European monetary integration.

**Annamaria Simonazzi** is Professor of Economics at Sapienza University of Rome, Italy. She is president of the Scientific Committee of the Fondazione Giacomo Brodolini, a research institute in the fields of labour, economics, and development in Europe. She is co-director of the journal *Economia & Lavoro*.

**Michael Landesmann** is wiiw Senior Research Associate and former Scientific Director of wiiw. He is professor of economics at Johannes Kepler University and was economic advisor of former EU Commission President Romano Prodi. His research focuses on European and international economic integration, structural change and economic growth, labour markets and migration.

The presentation will be held in **English**. Attendees will also have the **opportunity to ask questions**.



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## Webinar: Looking for shelter from the storm

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Presentation of new economic forecasts for Eastern Europe for 2020-21

**6 May 2020, 04:00 pm**

### Venue

This is an online event

Please register here: <https://my.demio.com/ref/9GTDqBkWC7Pky8zK>

### Description

The fallout from the **Coronavirus** will deliver a serious blow to all economies of **Central, East and Southeast Europe (CESEE)**. Many of them are on course for their **worst year since the early 1990s**. However, the **virus has not spread** in most of the region **as it did in Western Europe**, and the economic impact is likely to differ vastly between countries. wiiw's new forecasts will **highlight the areas of strength and potential vulnerability in Eastern Europe**, and look ahead to the **shape and speed of the recovery**. It will also ask whether there are **areas where these countries could benefit**.

The following questions will be addressed:

- › Does the **much lower number of confirmed COVID-19** cases mean the economic impact on Eastern European economies will be less severe than in rich countries?
- › Where are the areas of **relative strength and resilience** in the region?
- › How **worried** should we be **about increased public debt**?
- › Can we expect a **sharp recovery**, or will the weakness last for years?
- › Where are the **opportunities for Eastern Europe** in the crisis?

### Presenters

**Richard Grieveson** is Economist and Deputy Director at wiiw. His research focus includes Turkey and the Balkans, CESEE country analysis and forecasting, migration, economic history, and sovereign risk.

**Mario Holzner** is Economist and Executive Director. He is also coordinating economic policy development and communication with a focus on European economic policy. He has recently worked on issues of infrastructure investment in greater Europe, proposing a European Silk Road.

The presentation will be held in **English**. Attendees will also have the **opportunity to ask questions**.



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## Webinar: Covid-19 Crisis and Emerging Economies

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Economists discuss the social and economic crisis in emerging economies in the current global context

**11 May 2020, 01:00 pm**

### Venue

Online event

Please register here: <https://my.demio.com/ref/pbSWHEGG5MU6hoBh>

### Description

The following questions will be addressed:

- › How does the Covid-19 crisis get transmitted to emerging economies?
- › What policies are pursued in the countries (special attention given to India, South Africa, Turkey)?
- › Which international support policies are granted to the developing world?
- › What are the social and political impacts of the crisis?

### Panelists:

**Jayati Ghosh**, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

**Fiona Tregenna**, University of Johannesburg

**Richard Grieveson**, wiiw Economist and Deputy Director

**Moderator:** Michael Landesmann, wiiw Economist, former Scientific Director

The presentation will be held **in English**. Attendees will also have the **opportunity to ask questions**.

**Jayati Ghosh** is professor of economics and chairperson of the Centre for Economic Studies and Planning at the Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi and her core areas of study include international economics, employment patterns in developing countries, macroeconomic policy, and issues related to gender and development. She is executive secretary of International Development Economics Associates (IDEAS) and a regular columnist for several Indian journals and newspapers, a member of the National Knowledge Commission and is closely involved with a range of progressive organisations and social movements. She is co-recipient of the International Labour Organisation's 2010 Decent Work Research prize.

**Fiona Tregenna** is professor and holds the South African Research Chair in Industrial Development in the Department of Economics and Econometrics at the University of Johannesburg. Her research focuses on structural change, with a particular focus on deindustrialisation, as well as on inequality, poverty and unemployment. Fiona has received various awards, recognitions and grants for her research and is member of numerous boards and committees. In the past, Fiona has advised many international organisations (such as UNIDO, UNCTAD, UNU-WIDER and the ILO), She has also been

heavily involved in the economic response to COVID-19, as an economic advisor to the President of South Africa .

**Richard Grieveson** is Deputy Director at wiiw, coordinator of the wiiw country analysis team and country expert for Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia and Turkey. His main area of research is CESEE country analysis and economic forecasting, with a particular focus on Turkey and the Western Balkans. In addition he works on migration, sovereign risk, economic history and European integration. Previously he worked as a Director in the Emerging Europe Sovereigns team at Fitch Ratings, and before that, he was Regional Manager and lead analyst for Germany and Poland in the Europe team at the Economist Intelligence Unit.

**Michael Landesmann** is Senior Research Associate at wiiw and Professor of Economics at the Johannes Kepler University Linz. He was Scientific Director of wiiw from 1996 to 2016. His research focuses on East–West economic integration, structural change, economic growth, general topics in international economic relations, globalisation and labour markets and migration. He was a member of the Group of Economic Policy Advisors under the chairmanship of former EU Commission President Romano Prodi and participated in and coordinated a wide range of EU projects on different aspects of European integration. He has a D.Phil. from Oxford University, was a Lecturer, Fellow and Senior Research Officer at Cambridge University and held Visiting Professorships at Harvard University.

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## Webinar: Corona-crisis: Views from across the Atlantic

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US economists on the economic impact of the crisis and policy developments in the US and Europe

**26 May 2020, 04:00 pm (Vienna), 10:00 am (Washington/Boston)**

### Venue

Online event

Please register here: <https://my.demio.com/ref/lcrPAOaialERJQ9L>

### Description

The following questions will be addressed:

- › How does the unfolding Covid-19 crisis compare so far between the US and Europe?
- › How does the EMU/EU governance structure constrain monetary and fiscal responses compared to the US?
- › Which failures in policy can be/could have been avoided?
- › Which social and political outcomes do you expect on both sides of the Atlantic?
- › How will the US and European responses affect global economic and political relations?

### Panelists:

**Adam S. Posen**, The Peterson Institute for International Economics

**Vivien A. Schmidt**, Boston University

**Jeffrey Frieden**, Harvard University

**Moderator:** Michael Landesmann, wiiw Economist, former Scientific Director

The presentation will be held **in English**. Attendees will also have the **opportunity to ask questions**.

**Adam S. Posen** has been president of the Peterson Institute for International Economics since January 2013. During Dr. Posen's presidency, the Peterson Institute has won global recognition as the leading independent think tank in international economics. Over his career, he has contributed to research and public policy regarding monetary and fiscal policies in the G-20, the challenges of European integration since the adoption of the euro, China-US economic relations, and developing new approaches to financial recovery and stability. In September 2009, Posen was appointed by the UK Chancellor of the Exchequer to serve a three-year term as an external voting member of the Bank of England's rate-setting Monetary Policy Committee (MPC). He served seven terms as a member of the Panel of Economic Advisers to the U.S. Congressional Budget Office from 2005 to 2019.

**Vivien A. Schmidt** is Jean Monnet Professor of European Integration, Professor of International Relations in the Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies and Professor of Political Science at Boston University, as well as Founding Director of BU's Center for the Study of Europe. Schmidt's research focuses on European political economy, institutions, democracy, and political theory. Her latest

books include: Europe's Crisis of Legitimacy: Governing by Rules and Ruling by Numbers in the Eurozone (forthcoming), Resilient Liberalism in Europe's Political Economy (co-edited, 2013), Debating Political Identity and Legitimacy in the European Union (co-edited, 2011), Democracy in Europe (2006) and The Futures of European Capitalism (2002). She was recently named a Chevalier in the French Legion of Honor.

**Jeffry Frieden** is Professor of Government at Harvard University. He specializes in the politics of international monetary and financial relations. Frieden is the author of Currency Politics: The Political Economy of Exchange Rate Policy (2016); and (with Menzie Chinn) of Lost Decades: The Making of America's Debt Crisis and the Long Recovery (2011). Frieden is also the author of Global Capitalism: Its Fall and Rise in the Twentieth Century (2006), of Banking on the World: The Politics of American International Finance (1987), of Debt, Development, and Democracy: Modern Political Economy and Latin America, 1965-1985 (1991), and is the co-author or co-editor of over a dozen other books on related topics. His articles on the politics of international economic issues have appeared in a wide variety of scholarly and general-interest publications.

**Michael Landesmann** is Senior Research Associate at wiiw and Professor of Economics at the Johannes Kepler University Linz. He was Scientific Director of wiiw from 1996 to 2016. His research focuses on East–West economic integration, structural change, economic growth, general topics in international economic relations, globalisation and labour markets and migration. He was a member of the Group of Economic Policy Advisors under the chairmanship of former EU Commission President Romano Prodi and participated in and coordinated a wide range of EU projects on different aspects of European integration. He has a D.Phil. from Oxford University, was a Lecturer, Fellow and Senior Research Officer at Cambridge University and held Visiting Professorships at Harvard University.

## Webinar: Economic Challenges and Costs of Reintegrating the Donbas Region in Ukraine

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wiiw presents a new study on the costs of reconstruction of the Donbas region and discusses ways to overcome the economic damages with renowned panelists

**25 June 2020, 2:00 pm (Vienna), resp. 3:00 pm (Kiev, Moscow)**

### Venue

Online webinar

Please register here: <https://my.demio.com/ref/WUy2Fy32MHKdLPbU>

### Description

The wiiw study provides a systematic assessment of the costs of the ongoing armed conflict and the reconstruction of the Donbas region. It draws lessons from other conflict regions in the world and outlines a reconstruction plan for the region that will be discussed with renowned panelists.

### Agenda

**Welcome and introduction by Dr. Wolfgang Schüssel** (via video-message), Former Federal Chancellor of Austria

**Estimated costs of conflict and reconstruction by Artem Kochnev**, PhD candidate, Johannes Kepler University

**The Donbas reconstruction plan by Peter Havlik**, Senior Research Associate, wiiw

### Panel

Ambassador **Martin Sajdik**, former OSCE Special Envoy in Ukraine

**Velina Tchakarova**, Head of the Austrian Institute for European and Security Policy (AIES)

**Olga Pindyuk**, wiiw Country Expert on Ukraine

**Mario Holzner**, Executive Director, wiiw

The event will be **recorded**. Attendees will have the **opportunity to ask questions**.

## Panelists' backgrounds

**Peter Havlik** is wiiw Senior Research Associate and former wiiw Deputy Director. His main research areas cover the analysis and forecasting of macroeconomic developments in Russia and the Newly Independent States (NIS), foreign trade, competitiveness, EU integration and EU-relations with Russia and the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU). He worked as a consultant to OECD, The World Bank and was Guest Research Scholar at the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA, 2013-2018) and Chief Economist at the Russian-European Centre for Economic Policy (RECEP, 2002). Peter Havlik holds the N.D. Kondratieff Honorary Award and Gold Medal issued by the International Fund of N.D. Kondratieff and the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences, Moscow.

**Artem Kochnev** is a PhD-candidate at the Johannes Kepler University and the University of Innsbruck in the field of political economy. His PhD-thesis is dedicated to estimating the impact of the ongoing war in Ukraine on real economy, financial markets, and institutional development. During his PhD and Master studies, he was a teaching fellow at the Johannes Kepler University and contributed to the research activities of wiiw as a research fellow.

**Mario Holzner** is the Executive Director of wiiw. He is also coordinating economic policy development and communication with a focus on European economic policy. He has recently worked on issues of infrastructure investment in greater Europe, proposing a European Silk Road. Mario Holzner is also a lecturer in applied econometrics at the University of Vienna, Department of Economics.

**Olga Pindyuk** is wiiw Country Expert for Ukraine and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS). She does regular economic analysis and forecasts on these countries in the framework of the wiiw country monitoring. Her research also focuses on foreign trade, in particular trade in services, and financial markets. Previously, she worked as a consultant with the World Bank (Ukraine office), the DFID Ukraine Trade Policy Project and NGOs in Ukraine.

**Ambassador Martin Sajdik** served as Social Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office to the Trilateral Contact Group on the implementation of the peace plan in the East of Ukraine from 2015 to January 2020. Prior to this, Sajdik was as the Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations (2012 -2015) and Austrian Ambassador to the People's Republic of China, North Korea and Mongolia (2007-2011).

**Velina Tchakarova** is Head of Institute at the Austrian Institute for European and Security Policy (AIES) in Vienna, Austria. Her work includes research, consulting and lectures on the global system transformation and geostrategy of global actors, particularly the EU's role in Eastern Europe. She participates in the Scenario Monitoring Team at the Austrian Ministry of Defence on global system developments and in simulation games at Wikistrat.



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## Webinar: Ways out of the Impasse in Belarus

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### Panel discussion with experts from Belarus

**22 October 2020, at 15:30 CET (16:30 Minsk time)**

#### Venue

This is an online event. The panel discussion will be streamed as a [YouTube Livestream](#) and can be watched via this page. Questions can be asked via [sli.do](#). No registration is required.

#### Description

The Belarusian economy is plagued by serious problems that require radical reforms. These problems are intertwined with political challenges, and the way in which the current crisis is resolved will shape the future of the Belarusian economy.

Against this background, experts from wiiw and Belarus will discuss some key economic policy challenges facing the country in this difficult political environment:

- › How can the large-state owned Belarus companies be reformed?
- › What are the prospects for the introduction of a genuine social safety net, to mitigate a possible sharp rise in unemployment accompanying the reform of large-scale enterprises?
- › How can policymakers address balance-of-payments constraints should Belarus lose access to international financial markets?

The discussion will be based on a [recent Policy Note](#) by Rumen Dobrinsky, wiiw Country Expert for Belarus.

#### The Panel

**Kateryna Bornukova**, Academic Director of Belarusian Economic Research and Outreach Center (BEROC)

**Alexander Chubrik**, Director of IMP Research Centre, Belarus

**Dzmitry Kruk**, Senior Researcher at Belarusian Economic Research and Outreach Center (BEROC)

**Rumen Dobrinsky**, Country Expert for Belarus, Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)

**Richard Grieveson** (Chair), Deputy Director, Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)

The event will be **recorded**. Attendees will have the **opportunity to ask questions**.



## International Conference

# Trade, Investments, Technology, Climate Change, Human Rights: How should the EU deal with China?

27.10.2020, 9:00 - 12:10

Zoom

### Organised by

Austro-French Centre for Rapprochement in Europe (ÖFZ), Vienna  
Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation (KAS) Multilateral Dialogue, Vienna  
French Institute for International Relations (Ifri), Paris

### With the support of

The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw), Vienna

### Context and Objective

A little more than 40 years since China's opening and reform it has risen to a comprehensive global power which is a strategic partner, but also a competitor and even a strategic rival for the EU as stated in the *EU-China strategic outlook* (March 2019). While for many years after China joined WTO in 2001 its rapid growth was mostly seen as beneficial and an opportunity for European economic actors, in today's perception the balance of challenges and opportunities presented by China has shifted. The expectation that China's system of governance would gradually converge with a liberal, open, market-based international order has not been fulfilled. Lack of reciprocity in market access and distortions in competition have increasingly led to frustration in the European business community.

At the same time a globally more assertive China has emerged while the rule of the Communist Party of China (CPC) and its dominance over all aspects of the political, economic and social system has been strengthened. Its influence and reach now go well beyond East and South-East Asia. The Belt and Road Initiative epitomizes the ambition of a global China whose military power has grown in line with its economic rise. While China has consistently stated its support for European integration it still pursues a parallel approach through its privileged cooperation with Central and East European countries (the 17 + 1 since Greece has joined the group).

The Corona crisis has led to criticism about the lack of transparency after the outbreak of the pandemic in Wuhan and China's efforts to control the narrative of the crisis has further undermined trust in its leadership. The last EU - China Summit which took place as video conference underlined the divergences of views. The adoption of the security legislation for Hong Kong which threatens the level of autonomy and rule of law to which China had committed is now leading to a more comprehensive reassessment of EU - China relations, at a time when US - China relations have reached a new low point in what some observers call a new cold war.

The question how the EU should deal with China is therefore more urgent than ever. The summit envisaged between the 27 heads of state and government with President Xi Jinping in Leipzig during the German presidency has been replaced by a mini video summit with President Xi Jinping on 14

September. It showed even more clearly the need for the EU to apply a unified approach to its relationship with China which not only remains a hugely important economic partner but whose cooperation will also be essential in the fight against climate change and the preservation of a rules based international order.

## Programme

### 9h00 Opening

**Dominique DAVID**, President, Austro-French Centre for Rapprochement in Europe/ Advisor to the President, Institut Français des Relations Internationales (IFRI), Paris

**Claudia CRAWFORD**, Director, Konrad Adenauer Foundation Multilateral Dialogue, Vienna

**Dietmar SCHWEISGUT**, Secretary General, Austro-French Centre for Rapprochement in Europe/ former Austrian and EU Ambassador to China

### 9h10 Panel 1: Global governance: Engaging with China while preserving Europe's values and interests in trade, investments and digital economy

**Helena KOENIG**, Deputy Director-General, DG Trade, European Commission

**Reinhard BUETIKOFER**, Member of the European Parliament/ Chair of the EP-Delegation for relations with the People's Republic of China

**Alice EKMAN**, Senior Analyst, European Union Institute for Security Studies (EUISS), Paris

**Martin HALA**, Director, Sinopsis.cz, former Regional Manager for Asia Pacific, Open Society Foundation, Prague

*Moderation:* **Kristin SHI-KUPFER**, Professor, Institute of Sinology, University of Trier; Senior Associate Fellow, MERICS Lab, Berlin

10h25 Break

### 10h45 Panel 2: Eurasian connectivity: What Strategy, Whose Strategy?

**Janez PREMOZE**, former Slovenian Ambassador to China; Slovenian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

**Romana VLAHUTIN**, Ambassador at large for connectivity, European External Action Service (EEAS)

**Peter HEFELE**, Head of Asia and Pacific Department, Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation, Berlin

**Mario HOLZNER**, Director, Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw), Vienna

*Moderation:* **Regina FIGL**, Head of China Taskforce, Ministry for Europe and International Affairs, Vienna

### 12h00 Conclusion

**Dietmar SCHWEISGUT**, Secretary General, Austro-French Centre for Rapprochement in Europe; former Austrian and EU Ambassador to China

12h10 End of the event

## Webinar: wiiw Autumn Economic Forecast for Eastern Europe

The latest economic forecasts for 23 countries

12 November 2020, 4:00 pm CET

### Venue

Online event

Please register here: <https://my.demio.com/ref/CDtI8FEYPIYyMQER>

### Description

wiiw will present its latest economic forecasts 2021-2022 for 23 countries of Eastern Europe, with a detailed analysis of the current economic situation and most relevant trends.

The following questions will be addressed:

- › Are we past the worst or is this the start of a second deep downturn?
- › Has Central Europe some potential advantages or areas of resilience versus Western Europe?
- › Which sectors are suffering most, and which are performing relatively better?
- › Will more open economies generally continue to suffer more than less trade- and tourism-dependent ones?
- › How will the crisis affect the bigger structural challenges and opportunities the region faces, such as structural changes in the automotive industry, demographic decline, automation, digitalisation, and the decline of institutional quality and independence?

The presentation will be held in **English**. Attendees will also have the **opportunity to ask questions**. A **press release** and the new **wiiw Forecast Report** will be available to attendees. Should you have problems accessing the registration site, copy the link directly to the address line of your browser and do not use Internet Explorer.

**Presenter:** Vasily Astrov

**Moderator:** Richard Grieveson

*Vasily Astrov is Economist at wiiw and editor of the wiiw Monthly Report. He is also country expert on Russia and other CIS countries. His research focuses on macroeconomic analysis, financial markets and energy issues.*

*Richard Grieveson is Economist and Deputy Director at wiiw. His research focus includes Turkey and the Balkans, CESEE country analysis and forecasting, migration, economic history, and sovereign risk.*



## 4. Pressegespräche

- › Presse-Webinar zur wiiw-Frühjahrsprognose 2020, Wirtschaftliche Folgen des Coronavirus für Osteuropa: zwei wiiw-Szenarien, 17. März 2020
- › Presse-Webinar: Die Suche nach Schutz vor dem Sturm, wiiw-Expert\_innen präsentieren ihre neue Wirtschaftsprognose für 23 Länder Mittel-, Ost- und Südosteuropas (MOSOEL) für 2020-2021, 6. Mai 2020
- › Presse-Webinar: Österreichs Nachbarschaftsbeziehungen auf dem COVID-Prüfstand, 10. September 2020
- › Presse-Webinar zur wiiw-Herbstprognose für Osteuropa, Die aktuelle Wirtschaftsprognose für 23 Länder, „Coronavirus lässt keine schnelle Erholung zu“, 12. November 2020

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## Presse-Webinar zur wiiw-Frühjahrsprognose 2020

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### Wirtschaftliche Folgen des Coronavirus für Osteuropa: zwei wiiw-Szenarien

**17. März 2020, 10:00 Uhr**

#### Venue

Dies ist ein Online-Event

Bitte registrieren Sie sich hier: <https://my.demio.com/ref/CeRTYkUhtKWbmczP>

#### Description

Präsentiert wird die wiiw-Frühjahrsprognose für 23 Länder Mittel-, Ost- und Südosteuropas.

Im Fokus stehen die folgenden Fragen:

- › Welche **Auswirkungen** wird der **Coronavirus** auf die **Volkswirtschaften Osteuropas** haben?
- › Welche Länder werden **am stärksten betroffen** sein?
- › Werden die östlichen EU-Staaten eine **neue Wachstumsstrategie** finden, um der internationalen Konjunkturschwäche entgegenzuwirken?
- › Was heißt der Zusammenbruch des **Ölpreises** für **Russland**?
- › Ist der kürzliche **Wirtschaftsaufschwung** in der **Türkei** nachhaltig oder kündigt sich ein neuer Crash an?
- › Welche ökonomische Bedeutung haben die aktuellen politischen Entwicklungen für den **Westbalkan**?

**Im Webinar können auch Fragen an die Expert/innen gestellt werden.**

**Die Präsentation erfolgt auf Deutsch.**

**Präsentation:** Mario Holzner und Richard Grieveson

*Mario Holzner ist Ökonom und Geschäftsführer am wiiw. Er koordiniert auch die Wirtschaftspolitik-Entwicklung und -Kommunikation mit Schwerpunkt auf der europäischen Wirtschaftspolitik. In jüngster Zeit hat er sich mit Fragen der Infrastrukturinvestitionen im größeren Europa befasst und eine Europäische Seidenstraße vorgeschlagen.*

*Richard Grieveson is Economist and Deputy Director at wiiw. His research focus includes Turkey and the Balkans, CESEE country analysis and forecasting, migration, economic history, and sovereign risk.*



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## Presse-Webinar: Die Suche nach Schutz vor dem Sturm

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wiiw-Experten präsentieren ihre neue Wirtschaftsprognose für 23 Länder Mittel-, Ost- und Südosteuropas (MOSOEL) für 2020-2021

**6. Mai 2020, 10:00 Uhr**

### Venue

Online-Event

Bitte registrieren Sie sich hier: <https://my.demio.com/ref/HlfiRXXoZ40YWr99>

### Description

Die Folgen des **Coronavirus** werden allen Volkswirtschaften der MOSOEL einen schweren Schlag versetzen. Viele befinden sich auf dem Weg zu ihrem **schlimmsten Jahr seit Beginn der 1990er Jahre**. Allerdings hat sich das Virus in den meisten Ländern **nicht so sehr ausgebreitet wie in Westeuropa** und die wirtschaftlichen Folgen dürften von Land zu Land sehr unterschiedlich ausfallen. Die neuen wiiw-Prognosen werden die **Stärken und potenziellen Schwachstellen der einzelnen Länder aufzeigen** und einen **Ausblick auf die Form und Geschwindigkeit der wirtschaftlichen Erholung** geben. Es wird auch die Frage gestellt, ob es **Bereiche** gibt, **in denen die Länder profitieren** könnten.

Im Fokus stehen die folgenden Fragen:

- › Bedeutet die **wesentlich geringeren CoV-Infektionsraten**, dass die wirtschaftlichen Auswirkungen in Osteuropa schwächer ausfallen werden als in reichen Ländern?
- › Wo liegen die **relativen Stärken und die Widerstandskraft** der Region?
- › Wie sehr sollte uns eine **erhöhte Staatsverschuldung** sorgen?
- › Lässt sich eine **deutliche Erholung** erwarten, oder wird die Wirtschaftsflaute jahrelang anhalten?
- › Wo liegen **Osteuropas Chancen** in der Krise?

Die Präsentation erfolgt **auf Deutsch**. Teilnehmer werden die **Möglichkeit** haben **Fragen zu stellen**. Wir bitten Sie, sich aus organisatorischen Gründen anzumelden und **individuelle Interviewanfragen im Vorhinein** bekannt zu geben.

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## Presse-Webinar: Österreichs Nachbarschaftsbeziehungen auf dem COVID-Prüfstand

**10. September 2020, 10:00 Uhr**

### Venue

Online-Event

Bitte registrieren Sie sich hier: <https://my.demio.com/ref/yKB8oGItIU16E6Ba>

### Description

**Das Jahr 2020 steht ganz im Zeichen des Coronavirus** und der wirtschaftlichen und gesellschaftlichen Krisen, die von COVID-19 ausgelöst wurden. Die Pandemie hat das wirtschaftliche Leben vieler Volkswirtschaften zumindest kurzfristig gänzlich auf den Kopf gestellt und Veränderungen angestoßen, die auch langfristige Folgen haben könnten.

**Insbesondere für kleine, offene Volkswirtschaften – wie Österreich – stellen Unterbrechungen internationaler Wirtschaftsbeziehungen eine besondere Herausforderung dar.** Vor diesem Hintergrund werden die wirtschaftlichen Verflechtungen Österreichs mit den Ländern Mittel-, Ost- und Südosteuropas (MOSOEL) durch die COVID-Linse genauer betrachtet und aufgezeigt, wo sich bereits Effekte in Zahlen niedergeschlagen haben und welche längerfristigen Konsequenzen sich für die wirtschaftliche Integration zwischen Österreich und den MOSOEL ergeben könnten.

Im Fokus stehen die folgenden Fragen:

- › Welche Bedeutung haben die MOSOEL als Arbeitskräftepool für Österreich, insbesondere in „systemrelevanten“ Berufen?
- › Wie einschneidend sind die Corona-Effekte auf die Handelsflüsse mit den MOSOEL?
- › Welchem Risiko sind österreichische Investitionen in den MOSOEL ausgesetzt?
- › Wie könnte die Corona-Pandemie die österreichischen Wirtschaftsbeziehungen zu den MOSOEL langfristig verändern?

Die Präsentation erfolgt **auf Deutsch in Form eines Webinars**. Teilnehmer werden die Möglichkeit haben, Fragen zu stellen. Wir bitten Sie individuelle Interviewanfragen im Vorhinein bekannt zu geben.

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## Presse-Webinar zur wiiw- Herbstprognose für Osteuropa

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### Die aktuelle Wirtschaftsprognose für 23 Länder

**12. November 2020, 10:00 Uhr CET**

#### Venue

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#### Description

wiiw-Experten präsentieren ihre neue Wirtschaftsprognose 2020-2022 für 23 Länder Osteuropas, sowie eine detaillierte Analyse über die aktuelle Wirtschaftslage und wichtigsten Trends.

Im Fokus stehen die folgenden Fragen:

- › Haben wir das Schlimmste bereits überstanden, oder befinden wir uns am Beginn eines weiteren, tiefen Wirtschaftsabschwungs?
- › Bleiben offenere Volkswirtschaften weiterhin verletzlicher als jene, die nicht so sehr von Handel und Tourismus abhängen?
- › Hat Osteuropa gegenüber Westeuropa potenzielle Vorteile oder Bereiche die besonders resilient sind?
- › Ist die Wirtschaftsintegration Österreichs mit Osteuropa in der Erholungsphase von Vorteil?
- › Wie steht es um jene Volkswirtschaften, denen gegenüber Österreich am stärksten exponiert ist?
- › Gibt es nach wie vor Risiken, die wir für österreichische Unternehmen, z.B. Banken, besonders im Auge behalten müssen?
- › Welche Branchen leiden am meisten und welche schneiden relativ gesehen besser ab?

Die Präsentation erfolgt **auf Deutsch in Form eines Webinars**. Teilnehmer werden die Möglichkeit haben, Fragen zu stellen. Eine **Pressemeldung, Vortragsunterlagen**, sowie der wiiw Prognosebericht selbst werden den Teilnehmern zur Verfügung stehen.

#### Präsentation

**Vortrag:** Vasily Astrov

**Moderation:** Mario Holzner

*Vasily Astrov ist wiiw Ökonom und Mitherausgeber des wiiw-Monatsberichts. Er ist außerdem Länderexperte für Russland und andere GUS-Länder. Zu seinen Forschungsschwerpunkten gehören makroökonomische Analysen, Finanzmärkte und Energiefragen.*

*Mario Holzner ist Ökonom und Geschäftsführer am wiiw.*



## 5. Seminare im Rahmen von Projekten und Kooperationen

### 5.1. ETF

- › Expert Workshop: *Migration and Human Capital in the Western Balkans*, ETF and wiiw, 6. März 2020
- › *Workshop on Migration and Human Capital in Serbia and in the Western Balkans*, ETF and wiiw, 9. Juli 2020

### 5.2. FIW

- › : Webinar: „*Internationaler Handel, Klimapolitik und Carbon Leakage*“, 35. Außenwirtschafts-Vorlesung, in cooperation with BMDW and FIW, Stefan Borsky, 24. Juni 2020
- › wiiw: Webinar: „*EU-Freihandelsabkommen: Was liegt auf dem Tisch?*“, 38. Außenwirtschafts-Vorlesung in cooperation with BMDW and FIW, Roman Stöllinger, 6. Oktober 2020
- › Webinar: „*Angewandte Modellierung in der Außenwirtschaftsforschung*“, im Rahmen des Außenwirtschafts-Curriculum 2019/2020 des Kompetenzzentrums Forschungsschwerpunkt Internationale Wirtschaft, in cooperation with BMDW, FIW and VAB, Robert Stehrer, 21. Oktober 2020
- › Webinar: „*Die Rolle Chinas und Indiens als Global Players in der Weltwirtschaft*“, Michael Landesmann, JKU Linz, wiiw, Priv.-Doz. Dr. Stephan Barisitz, OeNB, Dr. Christian Belabed, OeNB, 18. November 2020
- › , Webinar: „*Multinational firms' pace of expansion within host countries: How high rates of pro-market reform hamper the local exploitation of foreign expansion knowledge*“, Thomas Lindner, PhD, MIM, BSc und Vera Kunczer, M.Sc., Vienna University of Economics and Business, 25. November 2020
- › Webinar: „*Handelsbeschränkungen*“, Julia Grübler und Oliver Reiter, wiiw, 1. Dezember 2020

### 5.3. JVI

- › Vom wiiw organisiertes und durchgeführtes Seminar "Competitiveness, Growth and Crisis" unter der Leitung von Robert Stehrer am Joint Vienna Institute, 24. - 28. Februar 2020
- › Vom wiiw organisiertes und durchgeführtes Introduction to Austrian and European Political and Economic Issues - AEP - Segment des mehrwöchigen "Applied Economic Policy"-Seminars unter der Leitung von E. Hagen am Joint Vienna Institute, 2.-4. Juni 2020 (Covid-19-bedingt entfallen)

- › Vom wiiw organisiertes und durchgeführtes Seminar "Public Governance and Structural Reforms" unter der Leitung von Peter Havlik am Joint Vienna Institute, 22. Juni – 3. Juli 2020
- › Vom wiiw organisiertes und durchgeführtes Seminar "Foreign Direct Investment Policies" unter der Leitung von Olga Pindyuk am Joint Vienna Institute, 7. - 18. September 2020
- › Vom wiiw organisiertes und durchgeführtes Seminar "Public Private Partnership" unter der Leitung von Elisabeth Hagen am Joint Vienna Institute, 12. - 23. Oktober 2020
- › Vom wiiw organisiertes und durchgeführtes Seminar "Crisis Course: Past and Current Crises and Future Challenges" 9. - 20. November 2020, Online Course

#### 5.4. ANDERE

- › „*Iran in the International System Between Great Powers and Great Ideas*“, Book presentation and discussion, Hannes Swoboda, Stephanie Fenkart, Mitra Shahmoradi, Bert Fragner, Heinz Gärtner, Erzsébet N. Rózsa, Mahdi Ghodsi, Mher D. Sahakyan, Karin Kneissl, Marylia Hushcha, The International Institute for Peace (IIP) in cooperation with the Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw) and the Austrian Orient Society, 30. Jänner 2020
- › „*Eine Europäische Seidenstraße – Konzepte, Chancen und Grenzen*“, Imshäuser Gespräch, Mario Holzner, Boris Iarochévitch, Philipp von der Wippe, Jan Moritz Onken, Moritz Rudolf, Astrid Skala Kuhmann, Markus Hipp, Eine Veranstaltung der Stiftung Adam von Trott I Imshausen e.V. in Kooperation mit der BMW Foundation Herbert Quandt und der Callias Foundation (Berlin), 14. Februar 2020
- › Webinar: „Albania and the Western Balkans after the Coronavirus: opportunities in the new global economy?“, in cooperation with The Austrian Embassy in Tirana, Christian Steiner, Richard Grieveson, Arben Malaj, Milica Uvalic, Mario Holzner, 10. Juni 2020
- › Webinar: „*The UK-EU negotiations in the time of coronavirus*“, panel discussion, Gabriel Felbermayr, Jill Rutter, Sam Lowe, Michael Landesmann, in cooperation with Centre for European Reform (CER), 15. Juni 2020
- › Webinar: „*How to Spend it - A Proposal for a European Covid-19 Recovery Programme*“, wiiw, OFCE and IMK present and discuss a new policy note, Jérôme Creel (OFCE), Andrew Watt (IMK), Hannes Swoboda, Mario Holzner (wiiw), 15. Juli 2020
- › Webinar: „*Looking back, looking forward: Regional cooperation in the Western Balkans*“, in Kooperation mit Bertelsmann Stiftung, mit Stefani Weiss, (Bertelsmann Stiftung), Florian Bieber (Universität Graz), Hannes Swoboda, Richard Grieveson, Mario Holzner (wiiw), 14. Oktober 2020

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**Expert Workshop**  
**Migration and Human Capital in the Western Balkans**  
**Vienna, Friday, 6 March 2020**

Venue: Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)  
Rahlgasse 3, 1090 Vienna

**Agenda**

- 09:00 – 9:15 **Welcome and introduction**  
*Ummuhan Bardak, Project coordinator, ETF*  
*Michael Landesmann, Project coordinator, wiiw*
- 9:15 – 10:15 **Literature review**  
*Presentation (wiiw), Comments & Feedback (National Experts, ETF)*
- 10:15 – 10:30 Coffee break
- 10:30 – 13:00 **Draft Analytical Framework**  
*Presentation (wiiw)*  
*Discussion (National Experts, ETF)*
- 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch
- 14:00 – 15:00 **Additional statistical analyses (wiiw):**  
**(i) Estimation of migration flows by qualifications**  
**(ii) Cross-country analysis of basic relationships**  
**(iii) Skill specific labour supply-demand framework: Scenario analysis until 2030**  
  
*Discussion (National Experts, ETF)*
- 15:00 – 15:30 **Implementation plan**  
*Next steps and milestones (ETF, wiiw)*
- 15:30 – 16:00 **Closing remarks (ETF)**

## Workshop on Migration and Human Capital in Serbia and in the Western Balkans, ETF and wiiw

Vienna, Thursday, 9 July 2020

Venue: online (zoom)

The objective is to present and discuss the preliminary results of a pilot country study for Serbia with participants from academia, public institutions, civil society and researchers.

### Agenda

- 10:00 – 10:10      **Welcome and introduction**  
by *Xavier Matheu de Cortada*, ETF, Head of Policy Unit
- 10:10 – 11:40      **Serbian country study: Understanding the interaction between migration,  
human capital and labour market**  
by *Mihail Arandarenko* (University of Belgrade)
- Panel discussion with *Professor Danica Šantić* (University of Belgrade),  
*Professor Slobodan Cvejić* (University of Belgrade),  
*Dragana Marjanovic* (EBRD office in Belgrade)  
Questions and discussion
- 11:40 – 11:50      Coffee Break
- 11:50 – 12:20      **A cohort approach to estimate net-migration flows**  
by *Sandra Leitner*, wiiw Economist
- Discussion with Professor *Gorana Krstic* (University of Belgrade)  
Questions and discussion
- 12:20 – 12:50      **Basic relationships between human capital, migration and labour markets:  
an econometric investigation**  
by *Isilda Mara*, wiiw Economist
- Discussion with Professor *Will Bartlett* (London School of Economics)  
Questions and discussion
- 12:50 – 13:00      **Conclusions and next steps**  
by *Ummuhan Bardak*, ETF Project Coordinator





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## Webinar: Internationaler Handel, Klimapolitik und Carbon Leakage

**Ass.-Prof. Dr. Stefan Borsky, PhD**  
**Uni Graz**

**24 June 2020, 09:15 am**

**Webinar**

Registrierung erforderlich unter: <https://my.demio.com/ref/aZ1OChHtr8gt5lsK>

### Description

Das Bundesministerium und das FIW laden ein zum **Webinar 35. Außenwirtschafts-Vorlesung**

**Begrüßung:** Sektionschefin Mag. Cynthia Zimmermann (BMDW)

**Kommentar:** Florian Schönberger, BA M.E.S. (BMDW)

**Diskussionsleitung:** Dr. Manfred Schekulin (BMDW)

**Literatur:** [FIW-Policy Brief Nr. 45](#) (Juni 2020)

Die Teilnehmer können im Anschluss an den Vortrag Fragen an den Autor stellen.

Mit dem Klimaabkommen von Paris hat sich eine Situation der national differenzierten Klimapolitik entwickelt, die zu ungleichen CO<sub>2</sub>-Preisen in den einzelnen Ländern geführt hat. Internationaler Handel zwischen Ländern mit unterschiedlich strikter Klimaschutzpolitik kann zu Carbon Leakage führen. Dies reduziert die Effizienz einer Klimaschutzpolitik. Ein Grenzausgleich, im Sinne einer Harmonisierung unterschiedlicher CO<sub>2</sub>-Preise mit Hilfe von CO<sub>2</sub>-Zöllen, könnte eine Maßnahme sein, um Wettbewerbsverzerrung aufgrund von unilateraler Klimaschutzpolitik zu reduzieren und Carbon Leakage zu verhindern. Der jüngste Vorschlag einer solchen Maßnahme wurde im Zuge des von der Europäischen Kommission unter Ursula von der Leyen beschlossenen „Green Deals“ benannt und soll helfen die Europäische Union bis zum Jahr 2050 zur Klima-Neutralität zu führen. Obwohl die Grundidee von Grenzausgleichsmaßnahmen im Sinne einer Verlagerung zu einer konsumbasierten CO<sub>2</sub>-Bepreisung reizvoll und klar ist, ist dessen Ausgestaltung und Implementierung in der Praxis komplex. Dies führt zu einem hohen bürokratischen Mehraufwand und damit einhergehenden hohen administrativen Kosten. Darüber hinaus kann ein Grenzausgleich als Handelsbarriere gesehen werden, welcher zu Vergeltungsmaßnahmen der vom Grenzausgleich betroffenen Länder im Ausland führen kann.

**Ass.-Prof. Dr. Stefan Borsky:** Internationale BWL an der Uni Wien und VWL in Innsbruck | Assistenz-Professor in Dänemark an der University of Southern Denmark | seit 2016 Assistenzprofessor am Wegener Zentrum für Klima und Globalen Wandel | Forschungsschwerpunkte, u.a.: angewandte Ökonometrie Räumliche Ökonometrie, Bodenschätze, Internationale Umweltabkommen

AW-Vorlesungen ist eine Veranstaltungsreihe, bei der politikrelevante aktuelle Forschungsergebnisse aus dem Bereich internationale Wirtschaft praxisnah präsentiert und diskutiert werden.



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## Webinar: EU-Freihandelsabkommen: Was liegt auf dem Tisch?

**Mag. Roman Stöllinger, PhD**  
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**6 October 2020, 09:15 am**

**Webinar**

Registrierung erforderlich unter: <https://my.demio.com/ref/vVFHLq1YDsEaipoF>

### Description

Das Bundesministerium und das FIW laden ein zum **Webinar 38. Außenwirtschafts-Vorlesung**

**Begrüßung:** Sektionschefin Mag. Cynthia Zimmermann (BMDW)

**Kommentar:** Dipl. Kfm. Marc Fähndrich (Vertretung der Europäischen Kommission in Österreich)

**Diskussionsleitung:** Dr. Manfred Schekulin (BMDW)

**Literatur:** [FIW-Policy Brief Nr. 47](#) (September 2020)

Das Netzwerk der EU-Freihandelsabkommen hat sich über die letzten Jahrzehnte über den gesamten Globus ausgebreitet. Die Abkommen unterscheiden sich jedoch in ihrem Umfang und ihrer Tiefe. Die „zweite Generation“ umfassender Abkommen der EU wurde mit dem EU-Südkorea Abkommen begründet. Nach einer mehrjährigen Periode ohne große Durchbrüche traten die tiefen Handelsabkommen mit Kanada (2017), Japan und Singapur (2019) sowie Vietnam (2020) in Kraft. Verhandlungen mit Mercosur wurden abgeschlossen. Abkommen mit Neuseeland und Australien stehen in den Startlöchern. In Summe bleiben die USA und China die großen Ausnahmen und Brexit der herbste Rückschlag für die EU. Während die EU über das größte Freihandelsnetzwerk mit mehreren geographischen Clustern verfügt, verliert es an Gewicht durch den globalen Anstieg von Abkommen ohne europäische Involvierung. Eine besonders dynamische Entwicklung überlappender Freihandelszonen entwickelt sich im Pazifik mit ASEAN(+3), RCEP und CPTPP. Die jüngsten EU-Abkommen der neuen Generation verschieben das Gewicht weiter Richtung Asien. Wirtschaftliche und politische Entwicklungen als auch die jüngste COVID-19- bedingte globale „Gesundheitskrise“ sind Faktoren, die eine Analyse der Stabilität von komplexen Systemen, wie überlappende Freihandelsnetzwerke und Abhängigkeiten in globalen Wertschöpfungsketten, anstoßen sollten.

**Mag. Roman Stöllinger, PhD:** Ökonom am Wiener Institut für Internationale Wirtschaftsvergleiche | Promotion an der Universität Wien in Volkswirtschaftslehre | Forschungsschwerpunkte: Internationaler Handel, Wirtschaftswachstum, Strukturwandel und Industriepolitik





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## Webinar: Angewandte Modellierung in der Außenwirtschaftsforschung

**Univ.-Doz. Dr. Robert Stehrer**  
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**21 October 2020, 09:00 am**

### Webinar

Registrierung erforderlich unter: <https://my.demio.com/ref/6PAGGghkmBCYYWbq>

#### Description

Das Bundesministerium für Digitalisierung und Wirtschaftsstandort, das Kompetenzzentrum Forschungsschwerpunkt Internationale Wirtschaft und die Verwaltungsakademie des Bundes laden ein zum **Webinar: Angewandte Modellierung in der Außenwirtschaftsforschung**

#### Inhalte:

- Überblick über angewandte Modelle der Wirtschaftsforschung
- Überblick über Datengrundlagen:
  - › Handelsdaten: Quellen, Unterschiede, Klassifizierungen, Dienstleistungshandel;
  - › Möglichkeiten neuer Herangehensweisen und Schlussfolgerungen durch die Analyse von Mikrodaten/Unternehmensdaten/Verknüpfungen von unterschiedlichen Datenquellen;
  - › Daten über Zölle, nicht-tarifäre Handelsmaßnahmen und FTAs;
  - › Problematik der „Zukunftsforschung“, wenn nur wenige Daten verfügbar sind.
- World-Input-Output Database (WIOD): Erläuterung der Evolution von globalen Wertschöpfungsketten und der Wichtigkeit, Bruttoexporte von Nettoexporten und wertschöpfungsgenerierenden Exporten zu unterscheiden; Erklärung der World-Input-Output Database (WIOD) mit Beispielen:
  - › z.B. iPhone mit hunderten Zulieferern in Lateinamerika und Asien;
  - › weitere Datenanforderungen.
- Ausgewählte Modelle in der angewandten Modellierung:
  - › partielle Gleichgewichtsmodelle;
  - › Input-Output Modellierung;
  - › Allgemeine Gleichgewichtsmodelle (CGE-Modelle zur Modellierung von Handelsmaßnahmen);
  - › Gravitätsschätzungen (Structural Gravity Models).

- Ausgewählte Fragestellungen:
  - › Wohlfahrtseffekte des Außenhandels: Welche Mechanismen kommen auf unterschiedlichen Aggregationsebenen auf welche Weise zum Tragen? Wie wirken sich Zölle und nichttarifäre Handelshemmnisse aus; Aussagekraft und Interpretation der Modellschätzungen;
  - › Heterogenität der Gewinner und Verlierer: Arbeitsmarkt/Qualifikation, Einkommensklassen, Industriebranchen;
  - › Implikationen für den Einsatz von Fördermitteln (etwa Internationalisierungsoffensive): Aussagen über Erreichung der höchsten Multiplikatoreffekte, Begrenzung und empirische Schätzung der Mitnahmeeffekte;
  - › Schlussfolgerungen im Hinblick auf: Innovations- und Forschungsförderung, Analyse von Exportprämien bzw. negativen Verteilungseffekten/Spillovers.

Im Vortrag wird auf die Anwendbarkeit, Bedeutung, Stärken und Schwächen, Ausbaumöglichkeiten, Variationen etc. eingegangen. Der Schwerpunkt liegt auf Aspekten, die in der Praxis der Wirtschaftspolitik, etwa bei der Interpretation von Studien und -ergebnissen, von besonderer Relevanz sind.

Anmerkung: Das Seminar richtet sich insbesondere an „Laien im Bereich der Außenwirtschaftsmethoden“. Es soll Interesse für das Thema wecken und legt besonderes Augenmerk auf die verständliche Vermittlung der Inhalte.

**Univ.-Doz. Dr. Robert Stehrer** ist Wissenschaftlicher Leiter am Wiener Institut für Internationale Wirtschaftsvergleiche (wiiw). Seine Expertise deckt ein breites Feld der Wirtschaftsforschung ab, das von Fragen der internationalen Integration, des Handels und der technologischen Entwicklung bis hin zu Arbeitsmärkten und angewandter Ökonometrie reicht. Er studierte Volkswirtschaftslehre an der Johannes Kepler Universität Linz und Soziologie am Institut für Höhere Studien (IHS).



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## Webinar: Die Rolle Chinas und Indiens als Global Players in der Weltwirtschaft

**Univ.-Prof. Dr. Michael Landesmann (JKU Linz, wiiw)**  
**Priv.-Doz. Dr. Stephan Barisitz (OeNB)**  
**Dr. Christian Belabed (OeNB)**

**18 November 2020, at 09.00 am CET**

### Venue

Online-Event

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### Description

Das Bundesministerium für Digitalisierung und Wirtschaftsstandort, das Kompetenzzentrum Forschungsschwerpunkt Internationale Wirtschaft und die Verwaltungsakademie des Bundes laden ein zum **Webinar: Die Rolle Chinas und Indiens als Global Players in der Weltwirtschaft**

### Inhalte:

Block I: *Christian Belabed*

- › Aktuelle (außen)wirtschaftliche Entwicklungen in China inkl. sektoraler Analyse sowie „middle-income-trap“;
- › Bedeutung, Entwicklung und Perspektiven der Außenwirtschaftsbeziehungen Chinas zu EU und Österreich (anhand bilateraler Leistungs- und Kapitalbilanzdaten);
- › Wirtschaftspolitische Reaktion auf COVID19 und makroökonomisches Assessment;
- › Mittel- und langfristige Wachstumsaussichten Chinas;
- › Position Chinas im globalen Finanzsystem und Chinas Position in Umweltschutzfragen/Klimapolitik.

**Block II: *Stephan Barisitz***

- › Machtverhältnisse und Player in der Geopolitik – die Rolle Chinas und Indiens; die Rolle der „neuen Riesen“ zueinander;
- › Chinas Belt & Road Initiative (BRI), incl. Institutionen (SRF, CDB, CExim, AIIB...) in a nutshell;
- › Auswirkungen der COVID19 und Reaktion der BRI (Projektverzögerungen, -stornierungen, neue Projekte, Umschuldungsverhandlungen, Health Silk Road-Kampagne etc.);
- › Einige BRI-Großprojekte in Indien und Nachbarländern;
- › Aussichten.

**Block III: *Michael Landesmann***

- › Wirtschaftliche Entwicklung Indiens: Phasen der wirtschaftlichen Entwicklung, strukturelle Unterschiede China-Indien; Demographie; föderale Strukturen und regionale wirtschaftliche Entwicklung; Industrie und Dienstleistungssektor;
- › Reaktion auf COVID 19 sowie mittel- und langfristige Wachstumsaussichten Indiens;
- › Indiens Außenhandel: Exportstärken und -schwächen; Position in Freihandelsabkommen: längerfristige Entwicklungsperspektiven Indiens in regionalen und globalen Außenwirtschaftsbeziehungen;
- › Bedeutung, Entwicklung und Perspektiven der Außenwirtschaftsbeziehungen Indiens (inklusive Dienstleistungsoutsourcing) zu EU und Österreich; Hürden für österreichische Exportunternehmen;
- › Indiens Position in Umweltschutzfragen/Klimapolitik; Verpflichtungen/Pläne im Rahmen des Pariser Abkommens.

Das Webinar findet im Rahmen des Außenwirtschafts-Curriculums 2019/2020 des Kompetenzzentrums Forschungsschwerpunkt Internationale Wirtschaft statt.





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## Webinar: Multinational firms' pace of expansion within host countries: How high rates of pro-market reform hamper the local exploitation of foreign expansion knowledge

**Thomas Lindner, PhD, MIM, BSc and Vera Kunczer, M.Sc.**  
**Vienna University of Economics and Business**

**25 November 2020, at 03.00 pm CET**

### Venue

Online-Event

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### Description

The presentation is based on a [publication with the same title](#).

Although increases in corporate ownership positions in foreign markets occur frequently, the factors that determine how quickly such increases occur are underexplored. Combining international business research on experiential learning, knowledge recombination, and pro-market reform, we hypothesize that a firm's international experience with ownership increases has a positive effect on the pace at which the firm implements an ownership increase in a host country, but that this effect is weaker during periods of quicker pro-market reform in the country. We find support for our hypotheses in an analysis of Austrian firms expanding in Central and Eastern Europe, suggesting that, rather than merely being beneficial to foreign investors, pro-market reform also poses a challenge to them.

*Paper and presentation, when available, are posted online after the seminar.*



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## Webinar: Handelsbeschränkungen

**Julia Grübler, MSc und Mag. Dipl.-Ing. Oliver Reiter**  
**The Vienna Institut for International Economy Studies (wiiw)**

**01 December 2020, at 09.00 am CET**

### Venue

Online-Event

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### Description

Das Bundesministerium für Digitalisierung und Wirtschaftsstandort, das Kompetenzzentrum Forschungsschwerpunkt Internationale Wirtschaft und die Verwaltungsakademie des Bundes laden ein zum **Webinar: Handelsbeschränkungen**

### Inhalte:

- › Vorstellung der diversen Möglichkeiten, im Rahmen der WTO die most favoured nation clause auszusetzen.
- › Diskussion der Ergebnisse aktueller empirischer Studien zu Handelseffekten und der politischen Ökonomie nicht-tarifärer Handelshemmnisse, wo möglich mit direkter Bezugnahme auf Österreich und seine wichtigsten Handelspartner:
  - Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (gesundheits- und pflanzenschutzrechtliche Maßnahmen);
  - Technical Barriers to Trade (technische Handelsbarrieren);
  - Antidumping;
  - Countervailing Duties (Ausgleichszölle);
  - (Special) Safeguards (Schutzmaßnahmen);
  - Literatur: FIW-Policy Brief Nr. 36 (September 2017).
- › Regionale Themen:
  - Embargos und Sanktionen (Iran, Russland/Ukraine);
  - Verhältnis EU-EEU (Eurasische Wirtschaftsunion);
  - neuer Protektionismus unter der US-Handelspolitik; Effekte auf Österreich;

- Literatur: FIW-Policy Brief Nr. 37; November 2017;
- EU-Mercosur Trade Agreement.

Julia Grübler, MSc: Ökonomin am Wiener Institut für Internationale Wirtschaftsvergleiche (wiiw) | Vortragende an der Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien (WU) | Forschungsschwerpunkte: Internationale (Handels-)Beziehungen unter besonderer Berücksichtigung der Politik der Europäischen Union und ihrer Mitgliedstaaten

Mag. Dipl.-Ing. Oliver Reiter: Ökonom und Data Scientist am Wiener Institut für Internationale Wirtschaftsvergleiche (wiiw) | Forschungsschwerpunkte: Internationaler Handel, nichttarifäre Handelsmaßnahmen, die Erstellung/Aktualisierung einer multiregionalen Input-Output-Datenbank (wie z.B. WIOD) und agentenbasierte makroökonomische Modelle

Das Webinar findet im Rahmen des Außenwirtschafts-Curriculum 2019/2020 des Kompetenzzentrums Forschungsschwerpunkt Internationale Wirtschaft statt.



**JOINT VIENNA INSTITUTE****Competitiveness, Growth and Crisis (CGC)****Seminar organized by the Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)****Vienna, Austria****24 – 28 February, 2020****Monday,  
February 24**

08:30 – 09:00		Registration and administrative briefing, <i>Tatiana Arnhold, Joint Vienna Institute - JVI</i>
09:00 – 09:10		Seminar opening, <i>Thomas Richardson, Director, JVI</i>
09:10 – 10:30	L-1	Introduction and Overview, <i>Roman Stöllinger, Economist, The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies - wiiw,</i>
10:30 – 11:00		Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:30	L-2	Economic Convergence and Competitiveness in Central, East and Southeast Europe: Concepts and Results, <i>Peter Havlik, wiiw</i>
12:30		Group Photo
12:30 – 14:00		Lunch break
14:00 – 15:00	L-3	Structural and institutional challenges in EU candidate and potential candidate countries, <i>Mario Holzner, Executive Director, wiiw</i>
15:00 – 15:30		Coffee Break
15:30 – 17:00	L-4	Boosting growth: improving productivity of individual firms vs the allocation of resources, <i>Konstantins Benkovskis, Bank of Latvia and Stockholm School of Economics in Riga</i>
18:00		Welcome Reception at the lobby of the JVI Residence

**Tuesday,  
February 25**

09:00 – 10:30	L-5	Non-price competitiveness, <i>Konstantins Benkovskis, Bank of Latvia and Stockholm School of Economics in Riga</i>
10:30 – 11:00		Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:00	P-1	Participants Presentations * Bosnia and Herzegovina: Competitiveness profile, problem and solutions, <i>Nadja Kuraja</i> * Romania: Recent competitiveness developments, <i>Gabriel Stavre</i> * Tajikistan's competitiveness profile, <i>Nigora Lashkarova</i>
12:00 – 14:00		Lunch break
14:00 – 15:00	L-6	New drivers of competitiveness: the role of economic integration, global value chains, foreign direct investment and ICT capital, <i>Amat Adarov, wiiw</i>
15:00 – 15:30		Coffee Break
15:30 – 17:00	L-7	Competitive Industrial Performance Report, <i>Petra Kynclova, UNIDO</i>

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**Wednesday,  
February 26**

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09:00 – 10:00	P2	Participants Presentations * Kosovo: Competitiveness profile, Adrian Mustafa, Shqipe Cerchini-Grainca * Turkey's global competitiveness, Ekin Günday Ecer * Ukraine: How EU helps to implement reforms, Anton Koretskyi
10:00 – 10:30		Coffee Break
10:30 – 12:00	P-3	Participants Presentations * Armenia: Competitiveness profile, Hermine Katvalyan, Lilit Yezekyan, * Competitiveness of Montenegrin economy, N. Batrivic, Rosanda Jocovic * Serbia: Competitiveness profile, Natasa Kecman, Jelena Vasic
12:00 – 14:00		Lunch Break
14:00 – 15:00	L-8	wiiw Database, <i>Monika Schwarzhappel, wiiw</i>
15:00 – 15:15		Coffee Break
15:15 – 17:00	W-1	Training session on competitiveness indicators, <i>Alexandra Bykova, and Moni Schwarzhappel, David Zenz, wiiw</i>

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**Thursday,  
February 27**

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09:00 – 10:00	W-2	Training and presentation of the workshop output on competitiveness indicators, <i>Alexandra Bykova und Monika Schwarzhappel, David Zenz, wiiw</i>
10:00 – 10:30		Coffee Break
10:30 – 12:30	W-2	Continuation of the presentation of the workshop output on competitiveness indicators, <i>Alexandra Bykova und Monika Schwarzhappel, wiiw</i>
12:30 – 14:00		Lunch Break
14:00 – 15:00	L-9	<i>Production, integration and global/regional value chains, Robert Stehrer, Scientific Director, wiiw</i>
15:00 – 15:30		Coffee Break
15:30 – 17:00	L-10	Smile Curve Economics at Work: Functional Specialisation and Value Creation, <i>Roman Stöllinger, wiiw</i>
18:30		<b>Farewell Dinner</b> , Restaurant 'Glacis Beisl' Breite Gasse 4, 1070 Wien

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**Friday,  
February 28**

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09:00 – 10:30	L-11	Competitiveness and EU industrial policies, <i>Michael Peneder, Austrian Institute of Economic Research, wifo</i>
10:30 – 10:45		Coffee Break
10:45 – 12:15	L-12	Productivity – measurement and some evidence from OECD (Pierre-Alain Pionnier, OECD)
12:15 – 14:00		Lunch break
14:00 – 15:00		Evaluation and closing session, <i>Roman Stöllinger, wiiw Tatiana Arnhold, JVI</i>





JVI Online Course Program, Public Governanc and Structural Reforms, June 22 - July 3, 2020

Week 1					
	Monday, June 22	Tuesday, June 23	Wednesday, June 24	Thursday, June 25	Friday, June 26
	Introduction day	Institutions and the welfare state	Privatisation and regulation	Environment and health	Structural reform and panel discussion
09:00 - 10:30	Seminar opening <i>Tom Richardson, JVI, Director</i> L01- Introduction to the seminar <i>Peter Havlik, wiiw, Course Director</i>	L02- 'Judicial independence and the rule of law in transition' <i>Stefan Voigt, University of Hamburg and CESifo</i>	L03- 'Privatization policy - an instrument for structural reforms?' <i>Elisabeth Hagen, wiiw, Former Executive Director</i>	L04- 'Environmental policy for successful transition & sustainability' <i>Claudia Kettner-Marx, Austrian Institut of Economic Research</i>	L05- 'Structural reform and macroeconomic policy' <i>Andreas Breitenfellner, OeNB</i>
11:00- 12:30	L06-EBRD Transition Report <i>Ralph de Haas, EBRD</i>	L07- 'Social policy and welfare state' <i>Georg Fischer, Former director for Social Affairs in DG Employ, European Commission</i>	L08- 'Outcome orientation in Austria: performance management & regulatory impact assessment' <i>Martin Baumhauer, Federal Ministry of Arts, Culture, Civil Service and Sports</i>	L09- 'Health care reform' <i>Maria Hofmarcher-Holzacker, Health System Intelligence</i>	P01- 'Panel discussion: role of structural reform' <i>Michael Landesmann, wiiw, Andreas Breitenfellner, OeNB</i> <b>Chair:</b> Peter Havlik
Week 2					
	Monday, June 29	Tuesday, June 30	Wednesday, July 1	Thursday, July 2	Friday, July 3
	Economy and banking	Labour and strategies	Innovation and finance	Competitiveness and Trade, FDI	Workshop on Infrastructure development and panel
09:00- 10:30	L10- 'Information on wiiw, its research, topics and its facilities' L11- 'wiiw Forecast for Central East and Southeast Europe' <i>Richard Grieveson, Deputy Director</i>	L12- 'Transition countries' labour markets <i>Hermine Vidovic, wiiw</i>	L13- 'Trends and challenges or research technology and innovation policy' <i>Wolfgang Polt, Policies-Center for Economic and Innovatioins Research</i>	L14- 'Competitiveness and Governance' <i>Roman Stöllinger, wiiw</i>	WS01- 'Country-specific examples of structural reforms' Armenia: Public Governance Belarus: Investment Georgia: Infrastructure Ukraine: Privatization <b>Lead:</b> Mario Holzner, wiiw
11:00- 12:30	L15- 'Combatting the pandemic: effects on financial market supervision & regulation' <i>Thomas Stern, FMA - Financial Market Authority Liechtenstein</i>	L16- '2030 agenda for sustainable development' <i>Sabine Schneeberger, Austrian Federal Chancellery</i>	L17- 'The role of the state in financial market reforms' <i>Marko Skreb, Central Banking Consulant, Croatia</i>	L18- 'Productivity, digitalization, GVC participation and FDI: recent developments and the new normal' <i>Amat Adarov, wiiw</i>	PO2- 'Panel discussion: Silk Road' <i>Breinbauer Andreas, University of applied Science BFI Vienna, Mario Holzner, wiiw, Executive Director</i> <b>Chair:</b> Peter Havlik, wiiw
12:30- 14:00					Wrap-up and evaluation, Peter Havlik, wiiw

## JVI Online Course Program, Foreign Direct Investment Policies, September 7-18, 2020

Week 1					
	Monday, September 07	Tuesday, September 08	Wednesday, September 09	Thursday, September 10	Friday, September 11
	Pre-workshop.	Introduction day and FDI transition countries	FDI catching up and Sustainable Development	Investment promotion and determinants of FDI. Introduction of Case Study	The case of Austria and Investment policy of the EU
09:00 - 10:30	<b>Seminar opening</b> <i>Herve Joly, JVI, Director</i> <b>Information on wiiw, its research, topics and its facilities'</b> <i>Mario Holzner, Director, wiiw</i> <b>'wiiw Forecast for Central East and Southeast Europe'</b> <i>Richard Grieveson, Deputy Director, wiiw</i>	<b>Introduction to the seminar</b> <i>Olga Pindyuk, wiiw, Course Director</i> <b>09:45</b> L01 FDI in transition countries, Elements of FDI policy, <i>Gábor Hunya, wiiw</i>	L02 Investment promotion in Austria: The activities of ABA – Invest in Austria, <i>Birgit Reiter-Braunwieser, ABA-Invest in Austria</i>	L04 Impact of COVID-19 on FDI and International Production, <i>Arslan Chaudhary, UNCTAD</i> <b>9:45</b> Special Economic Zones as an investment promotion tool – trends and policy lessons, <i>Isya Kresnadi, UNCTAD</i>	L07 Foreign direct investment: The case of Austria: Definition, developments, conclusions, <i>Thomas Cernohous, OeNB – Austria's National Bank</i>
11:00- 12:30	<b>Participants round table discussion</b> about the state of the economy and crisis impact, <i>Mario Holzner, Executive Director, wiiw</i>	L01 contd. FDI in transition countries, Elements of FDI policy, <i>Gábor Hunya, wiiw</i>	L03 The international investment policy regime: the need to reform and implications for developing countries, <i>Hamed El-Kady, UNCTAD</i>	L05 Determinants of foreign direct investment: Horizontal vs. Vertical FDI, <i>Mahdi Ghodsi, wiiw</i> <b>12:00</b> L06. Introduction to case study 'Anglia', <i>Ghodsi/Pindyuk</i>	L08. The influence of the public sector environment on firms' investment decisions abroad, <i>Thomas Lindner &amp; Jonas Puck, WU Vienna</i>
Week 2					
	Monday, September 14	Tuesday, September 15	Wednesday, September 16	Thursday, September 17	Friday, September 18
	Digital transformation and Location choice	Siemens and World Investment	Incentive-programmes and Investment promotion	Case study: Slovak automotive industry and Workshop	Case study decision process and Panel discussion
09:00- 10:30	L09. Digital transformation and attracting FDI in services, <i>Olga Pindyuk, wiiw</i> <b>10:00</b> L10. Location choice and host country determinants of FDI: Selecting the right policy mix, <i>Christian Bellak, University of Economics, Vienna</i>	L11 Siemens – a strong partner for innovation and technology, <i>Gerold Zakarias, Siemens</i>	L13. Incentive-programmes of the AWS for foreign investors, <i>Bernd Litzka, Austrian Wirtschaftsservice – AWS</i>	L15 Case Study: Slovak automotive industry, <i>Lenka Bartonova, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Bratislava, Slovakia</i>	L16. Case study: The investment decision process of a real estate investor, <i>Miroslav Tantchev, Robul Bauträger GmbH</i>
11:00- 12:30	L10 contd. Location choice and host country determinants of FDI: Selecting the right policy mix, <i>Christian Bellak, University of Economics, Vienna</i>	L12. World investment and political risk, <i>Harald Jedlicka, World Bank Group,</i>	L14. Investment promotion and location marketing, FDI in Lower Austria, <i>Slavisa Milanovic, EcoPlus</i>	P01 - <b>Workshop:</b> Anglia – presentation of results, <i>Ghodsi/Pindyuk</i>	P02- <b>'Panel discussion</b> <i>Participants presentations</i>
13:00- 13:30					<b>Wrap-up and evaluation,</b> <i>Pindyuk Olga, wiiw</i>

**JVI Online Course Program, Public- Private Partnership - PPP, October 12-23, 2020**

<b>Week 1</b>					
	<b>Monday, October 12</b>	<b>Tuesday, October 13</b>	<b>Wednesday, October 14</b>	<b>Thursday, October 15</b>	<b>Friday, October 16</b>
	<b>Introduction day</b>				
	<b>Seminar opening</b> <i>Hervé Joly, JVI, Director (tbc)</i> L01- <b>Introduction to the seminar</b> <i>Elisabeth Hagen, wiiw, Course Director</i>	L 03 - PPPs: Macroeconomic perspective <i>Elisabeth Hagen, wiiw</i>	L 05 - Legal and technical aspects of PPPs <i>Stefan Eder, Benn-Ibler RA, Lawyer's office</i>	L 07 - COVID-19: The impact on infrastructure and the role of the multilateral banks <i>Jan van Schoonhoven, EBRD</i>	L 09 - (Anti)Corruption – State of (a) devastating (Power)Play, <i>Martin Kreutner, International Anti-Corruption Academy, IACA</i>
<b>09:00 - 10:30</b>					
<b>11:00- 12:30</b>	L 02 - PPPs - Basic building blocks <i>Elisabeth Hagen, wiiw</i>	L 04 - PPPs: Microeconomic perspective <i>Elisabeth Hagen, wiiw</i>	L 06 - Financing Public-Private Partnerships <i>Judith Kerekes, Kommunalkredit</i>	L 08 - Ensuring PPP bankability to attract lenders and investors <i>John Seed, EBRD</i>	L 10 - contd. (Anti)Corruption – State of (a) devastating (Power)Play, <i>Martin Kreutner, International Anti-Corruption Academy, IACA</i>
<b>Week 2</b>					
	<b>Monday, October 19</b>	<b>Tuesday, October 20</b>	<b>Wednesday, October 21</b>	<b>Thursday, October 22</b>	<b>Friday, October 23</b>
<b>09:00- 10:30</b>	L11- 'Information on wiiw and a recent example of its research on infrastructure' <i>Mario Holzner, Executive Director</i> L12- 'wiiw Forecast for Central East and Southeast Europe' <i>Richard Grieveson, Deputy Director</i>	L14 - Case Study: Health Care Sector <i>Thomas Konermann, VAMED AG</i>	L16- Case study: Contracting as instrument for increasing energy efficiency and renewable energy in buildings, <i>Gabriele Brandl, Austrian Energy Agency</i>	L18 - Participants presentation	L20 - Participants presentation
<b>11:00- 12:30</b>	L 13 - Good governance and public private partnership in the Danube region, <i>Thomas Prorok, KDZ - Centre for Public Administration Research</i>	L15 - Case Study: Infrastructure Sector, <i>Peter Pelz, Bonaventura</i>	L17 - Case Study: Austrian ASFINAG model for PPP infrastructure investment <i>Volker RUX, ASFINAG</i>	L19 - PPP-models in location development <i>Werner WEISS, Vienna Business Agency</i>	Wrap-up and evaluation, <i>Elisabeth Hagen, wiiw, Course Director</i>

## Crisis course: past and current crises and future challenges, November 9-20, 2020

Week 1					
	Monday, November 09	Tuesday, November 10	Wednesday, November 11	Thursday, November 12	Friday, November 13
Topic	Pre-workshop	Introduction day - economic crises a historic overview	Economy crises in economic downturns, Labour market policies	Social- and monetary policy and financial markets in crises	(Anti-)cyclical fiscal policy and participants presentations
09:00-10:30	Information on the wiiw research Institute, <i>Mario Holzner, Executive Director, The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies - wiiw</i> <b>'wiiw Forecast for Central East and Southeast Europe'</b> , <i>Richard Grieveson, wiiw, Deputy Director</i>	<b>Seminar opening</b> Herve Joly, JVI, Director <b>Introduction to the seminar</b> , Philipp Heimberger, wiiw	<b>L-02 Economic crises in retrospect</b> , <i>Dmitry Kuvshinov, Pompeu Fabra University</i>	<b>L-04 (EU) social policy and CoV2</b> , Georg Fischer, wiiw, Senior Research Associate, Former DG EMPLOYMENT	<b>L-06 Fiscal policies during crises</b> , <i>Pilipp Heimberger, wiiw</i>
11:00-12:30	<b>P-01 Participants round table discussion</b> about the state of the economy and crisis impact, Mario Holzner, wiiw	<b>L-01 Pandemics and inequality:</b> From the black death to the spanish flu (and beyond), <i>Guido Alfani, Bocconi University</i>	<b>L-03 Labour market policies - the Austrian experience</b> , <i>Johannes Schweighofer, Federal Ministry of Labour, Family, and Youth</i>	<b>L-05 Monetary policy in crises</b> , Marko Skreb, <i>Central Banking Consultant, Croatia</i>	<b>PP-01 Crisis response experiences</b> , Participants Presentation, Lead: <i>Pilipp Heimberger, wiiw</i>

## Week 2

	Monday, November 16	Tuesday, November 17	Wednesday, November 18	Thursday, November 19	Friday, November 20
Topic	Russian financial crisis and labour market	Panel on transition crisis and health issues in times of COVID-19,	Crisis effects on trade and post-crisis reconstruction	Future (long run) challenges	Vienna initiative & panel discussion
09:00-10:30	<b>L-07 The 1998 Russian financial crisis</b> , <i>Peter Havlik, wiiw , Senior Research Associate</i>	<b>P-02 Panel on the legacy of the CESEE transition crises</b> , <i>Peter Havlik, Rumen Dobrinsky, wiiw, Senior Research Associates, Chair: Mario Holzner , wiiw</i>	<b>L-10 Trade and value chains - degrowth and deglobalisation?</b> , <i>Niko Korpar, wiiw</i>	<b>L-12 Climate crisis policies</b> , <i>Claudia Kettner-Marx, Austrian Institute of Economic Research</i>	<b>L-14 Vienna Initiative</b> , <i>Franz Nauschnigg, Expert</i>
11:00-12:30	<b>L-08 CESEE labour markets during crises</b> , <i>Hermine Vidovic, wiiw</i>	<b>L-09 Health reform and the pandemic</b> , <i>Maria Hofmarcher-Holzacker, Health System Intelligence</i>	<b>L-11 Post-crisis reconstruction costs: the case of Donbas Region</b> , Artem Kochnev, Johannes Kepler University Linz	<b>L-13 Demography and automation</b> , <i>Sandra Leitner, wiiw</i>	<b>P-03 Panel on crises policy lessons</b> , Michael Landesmann, <i>wiiw, Franz Nauschnigg, Expert</i> Chair: Philipp Heimberger, wiiw
12:30-14:00					Wrap-up, <i>Pilipp Heimberger,</i>



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## Iran in the International System Between Great Powers and Great Ideas

### Book presentation and discussion

**30 January 2020, 7:00 pm**

#### Venue

International Institute for Peace (IIP), Möllwaldplatz 5/2, 1040 Vienna

#### Description

*Welcome*

**Hannes Swoboda**, president of the IIP and former MEP

**Stephanie Fenkart**, director at the IIP

*Introduction in Farsi/English*

**Mitra Shahmoradi**, artist, painter and poet. Main editor of *Iran in the International System*

**Bert Fragner**, researcher, professor of Iranian studies, Austrian Orient Society

#### *Speakers*

**Heinz Gärtner**, researcher and political scientist, IIP and University of Vienna. Main editor of *Iran in the International System*

**Erzsébet N. Rózsa**, researcher and university lecturer, Hungarian Institute of International Affairs/Institute for World Economics

**Mahdi Ghodsi**, economist at the Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies

**Mher D. Sahakyan**, researcher and university lecturer, China-Eurasia Council for Political and Strategic Research, Armenia

#### *Discussant*

**Karin Kneissl**, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Austria, expert on the Middle East

*Moderator*

**Marylia Hushcha**, research assistant at the IIP

*Music*

**Pejman Parsmehr** playing Santur

The year 2020 has started with another upward spiral of tensions in the Middle East. On January 3rd, high ranking Iranian military official Ghassem Soleimani was killed in a US drone strike in Iraq. In few days, on January 8th, Iran responded, firing its missiles at Iraqi military bases hosting US troops. While no human losses were sustained there, a tragic incident that occurred on the same day when Iran mistakenly shot down a passenger plane heading from Tehran to Kyiv, claimed 176 lives. This prompted a new wave of anti-government demonstrations in Tehran, with police using tear gas against the demonstrators.

The protests in Iran and the military escalation between Tehran and Washington are a sad culmination of the gradual deterioration of US-Iranian relations, following President Trump's withdrawal in 2018 from the Joint and Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA). The JCPOA was concluded between Iran and six powers (China, France, Germany, Russia, UK, and USA) in 2015, aiming to limit Iran's uranium enrichment activities in order to prevent any possibility for Tehran to build a nuclear weapon. In exchange, decades-long economic sanctions against Iran were lifted, enabling new opportunities for international trade and the restoration of the country's crippled economy. The US decision to withdraw from the JCPOA and reinstate the sanctions against Iran gave a severe blow to the whole agreement. Efforts by other signatories of the deal to deliver on what was promised to Iran (for example, via INSTEX trade mechanism created by the EU) did not bring the desired outcome. As a result, Iran has gradually abandoned its commitments under the JCPOA, announcing in January that it will no longer abide the uranium enrichment restrictions set in the JCPOA.

The newly published book [Iran in the International System: Between Great Powers and Great Ideas](#) (Routledge 2020) address the events that led to the current crisis in the Middle East. It looks at Iran's relations with major power starting from the 1979 Iranian Revolution that had seen Islamic clerics come to power in the country. Featuring six contributing authors of the book, the discussion will cover Iran's relations with the United States, Russia, China, and the EU as well as Iran's economic situation. The trends observed in Iran's relations with the world over the last four decades are directly linked to the recent developments in the region and will be thus analyzed by the panelists and the invited discussant. In addition, a societal and historical perspective on Iran will be offered by Iranians themselves as well as European Iran experts. The audience will also have an opportunity to experience Iranian culture and tradition through visual, musical and culinary arts.

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## Eine Europäische Seidenstraße – Konzepte, Chancen und Grenzen

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### Imshäuser Gespräch

**14 February 2020, 7:00 pm**

#### Venue

Herrenhaus im Trottenpark Imshausen, Im Trottenpark 1, 36179 Bebra-Imshausen, Deutschland

#### Description

**Dr. Mario Holzner**, geschäftsführender Direktor des Wiener Institut für Internationale  
Wirtschaftsvergleiche und Koautor der „Europäischen Seidenstraße“

**Boris Iarochewitch**, Head of Division für Zentralasien beim European External Action Service in Brüssel

**Philipp von der Wippe**, Project Together

**Jan Moritz Onken**, Dirigent und Mit-Gründer der Callias Foundation und des Silk Road Symphony  
Orchestra

**Moritz Rudolf**, Eurasia Bridges

**Astrid Skala Kuhmann**, (München/Berlin)

**Markus Hipp**, (BMW Foundation Herbert Quandt)

Unter dem Stichwort „Neue Seidenstraße“ werden Pläne der chinesischen Regierung für ein ambitioniertes Infrastrukturprogramm weltweit kontrovers diskutiert. Dabei stellt sich die Frage, welche Möglichkeiten wir in Europa haben, die europäische Idee zu stärken und politische, wirtschaftliche und kulturelle Räume zu verbinden. Dafür haben unsere Referenten Dr. Mario Holzner und Luc Pierre Devigne Konzepte und Ideen entworfen, die in Imshausen gemeinsam mit anderen Experten diskutiert werden sollen. Der Dirigent Jan Moritz Onken stellt die Form eines kulturellen und musikalischen Seidenstraßengürtels - den Silk Road Cultural Belt - als ein Narrativ für Europa vor. Diese Ideen finden zunehmend auch in der gesamteuropäischen gesellschaftlichen Debatte Gehör und stoßen auf großes Interesse der Politik. Gemeinsam blicken wir auf Möglichkeiten und Grenzen einer solchen 'Europäischen Seidenstraße' und betten diese in die aktuellen Entwicklungen in der EU ein.





## Webinar: Albania and the Western Balkans after the Coronavirus: opportunities in the new global economy?

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The Austrian Embassy in Tirana and the Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw) are pleased to invite you to the webinar

**10 June 2020, 10:00 am**

### Venue

Online event

Please register here: <https://my.demio.com/ref/JPBrJ7Hg0MeOhVRn>

### Description

The following questions will be addressed:

- › What are the most important economic impacts of the Coronavirus on Albania and the Western Balkans?
- › Will the crisis lead Western firms to invest less in Asia and more in Eastern Europe in the future?
- › Will Albania and the Western Balkans be able to take advantage of near-shoring by Western firms in the coming years?
- › What are the main opportunities for Albania and the Western Balkans in the post-Coronavirus global economy?
- › What can the EU do to help economic development in the Western Balkans and support integration into European value chains?

**Opening remarks:** Christian Steiner, Austrian Ambassador to Albania

### Panelists:

**Richard Grieveson**, Deputy Director at the Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)

**Arben Malaj**, Professor of Economics and President of the Institute for Public Policy and Good Governance, University of Tirana (Albania)

**Milica Uvalic**, Professor of Economics at the Department of Political Science, University of Perugia (Italy)

**Moderator:** Mario Holzner, Executive Director the Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)

The presentation will be held **in English**. Attendees will also have the **opportunity to ask questions**.

**Christian Steiner** is the Austrian Ambassador to Albania. Before coming to Tirana he was the Head of the Executive Secretariat of the Austrian Presidency of the Council of the European Union 2018 and completed diplomatic assignments at the Austrian Embassies in Beijing, Ankara, and Damascus as Deputy Head of Mission. Several positions in the department for EU affairs of the Austrian Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs such as Head of Unit for EU Budget, Financial and Monetary Affairs and Head of Unit for EU and economic relations with the Western Balkan countries. His diplomatic career began as Attaché at the Austrian Embassy in Tirana in 1996-1997. Christian Steiner graduated from the University of Economics and Business Administration in Vienna.

**Richard Grieveson** is Deputy Director at wiiw, coordinator of the wiiw country analysis team and country expert for the Western Balkans and Turkey. His main area of research is CESEE country analysis and economic forecasting. He holds a Graduate Diploma in Economics from the University of London, Birkbeck, a Master in Advanced International Studies from the University of Vienna and a BA in History from the University of Cambridge. Previously he worked as a Director in the Emerging Europe Sovereigns team at Fitch Ratings, with a focus on the CIS and Balkans. Before that, he was Regional Manager and lead analyst for Germany and Poland in the Europe team at the Economist Intelligence Unit.

**Arben Malaj** has been graduated in Finance at the University of Tirana. During 2005-2006 attended Harvard Kennedy School (HKS), as Senior Fellow at M-RCBG, focusing on research on Western Balkans European integration. 1997-1998 he served as Minister of Finance; 2002-2003 Minister of Economy and during 2004-2005 Minister of Finance. 2016-2019 Member of supervisory Board of Central Bank of Albania. Prof. Malaj is the Honorary President of IPPM of the Institute for Public Policies and Good Governance (<http://www.ippm.al/>), Focus - banking sector reform, public finance management, good governance, higher education, etc.

**Milica Uvalić** is Professor of Economics at the University of Perugia, Italy. Formerly she was a member of the UN Committee for Development Policy, a Public Policy Scholar at the Woodrow Wilson Centre in Washington DC, Assistant Minister in the Federal government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, President of the European Association for Comparative Economic Studies and President of the Italian Association for Comparative Economic Systems. She holds a PhD in Economics from the European University Institute, Florence, Italy. Her research and teaching areas are in comparative economics with a focus on the Balkans, Central Eastern Europe and the European Union.

**Mario Holzner** is responsible for general management, finances and personnel. He is also coordinating economic policy development and communication with a focus on European economic policy. He has recently worked on issues of infrastructure investment in greater Europe, proposing a European Silk Road. Mario Holzner is also a lecturer in applied econometrics at the University of Vienna, Department of Economics. He obtained his PhD in economics at the Vienna University of Economics and Business in 2005.



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## The UK-EU negotiations in the time of coronavirus

A panel discussion with Gabriel Felbermayr, Jill Rutter, Sam Lowe and Michael Landesmann

**15 June 2020, 11:00-12:00 am (CEST) - 10:00-11:00 (BST)**

### Venue

online webinar (demio)

Please register here: <https://my.demio.com/ref/fMrKsZEmVxpinYSY>

### Description

The following questions will be addressed:

- › What is the likely outcome of current negotiations by the end of the year?
- › How will different sectors be affected? What will be the impact on the UK and EU member-state economies?
- › How will UK-EU relationships develop in the changing geo-economic and geo-political setting?

### Panelists

Gabriel Felbermayr, President of the Kiel Institute for the World Economy

Jill Rutter, Senior Research Fellow at UK in a Changing Europe

Sam Lowe, Senior Research Fellow at the Centre for European Reform

**Moderation:** Michael Landesmann, Senior Research Associate and former Scientific Director, wiiw

Presentations will be held **in English**. Attendees will have the **opportunity to ask questions**.

### Panelists' backgrounds

**Gabriel Felbermayr** is President of the Kiel Institute for the World Economy and Chair in Economics and Economic Policy at Kiel University (CAU). He is also member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the German Federal Ministry of Economics and Energy and Associate Editor of the European Economic Review, as well as of the Journal of the European Economic Association. His research and advisory activities focus on questions of economic global governance, European economic integration, and German economic policy.

**Jill Rutter** is Senior research fellow at UK in a Changing Europe. Previously, Jill was programme director at the Institute for Government (IfG) directing the organisation's work on better policy making and Brexit. She is an experienced former senior civil servant, having worked in HM Treasury, Number 10 and the

Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs (Defra). Jill is a regular commentator on policy issues for radio and television and has appeared on Radio 4's Westminster Hour, World at One, Beyond Westminster and most recently, Start the Week and the Today programme.

**Sam Lowe** is a Senior Research Fellow at the Centre for European Reform (CER). He is a member of the British government's Strategic Trade Advisory Group (2019-) and also a Visiting Research Fellow at The Policy Institute, Kings College London and a co-founder of the UK Trade Forum. He works on trade issues, with a focus on Brexit, customs and regulatory barriers, and trade in services.

**Michael Landesmann** is Senior Research Associate at wiiw and Professor of Economics at the Johannes Kepler University Linz. He was Scientific Director of wiiw from 1996 to 2016. His research focuses on East–West economic integration, structural change, economic growth, general topics in international economic relations, globalisation and labour markets and migration. He was a member of the Group of Economic Policy Advisors under the chairmanship of former EU Commission President Romano Prodi. He has a D.Phil. from Oxford University, was a Lecturer, Fellow and Senior Research Officer at Cambridge University.

## Webinar: How to Spend it - A Proposal for a European Covid-19 Recovery Programme

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wiiw, OFCE and IMK present and discuss a new policy note

15 July 2020, 4:00 pm

### Venue

Online webinar (Demio)

Please register here: <https://my.demio.com/ref/5ky1rNDSglEe16Vb>

### Description

The recovery fund recently proposed by the EU Commission marks a sea-change in European integration. Yet it will not be enough to meet the challenges Europe faces. We propose a 10-year, €2tn investment programme focusing on public health, transport and energy/decarbonisation. In a national pillar Member States would be allocated €500bn. Resources should be focused on the hardest-hit countries and front-loaded. The bulk of the money – €1.5tn – would be devoted to finance genuinely European projects, where there is an EU value added, over 10 years. We call for a strengthened EU public health agency that invests in health-staff skills and then facilitates their flexible deployment in emergencies, and is tasked with ensuring supplies of vital medicines. We present costed proposals for two ambitious transport initiatives: a dedicated European high-speed rail network, the Ultra Rapid Train, with four-routes cutting travel times between EU capitals and regions, and, alternatively, an integrated European Silk Road initiative. We call for funding to accelerate the realisation of a smart and integrated electricity grid for 100%-renewable energy transmission eHighway, and for a programme, modelled on the SURE initiative, to co-finance member-state decarbonisation and just transition policies.

### Panelists

**Jérôme Creel** is Director of the Research Department at OFCE (Sciences Po), Paris, and Associate professor of economics at ESCP Business School. He has published many articles and (co-) edited several books on European economics. He also participates regularly as an expert for the European Parliament Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee.

**Andrew Watt** is Head of Unit European economic policy at IMK, Düsseldorf. Before, he worked for the ETUI in Brussels. His research interests include: economic governance of the euro area, interaction of wage and macroeconomic policy, social Europe, comparative political economy. He has served as a consultant and adviser to numerous bodies, including the European Commission, European Economic and Social Committee.

**Hannes Swoboda** is President of wiiw, Vienna. He is inter alia also president of the Sir Peter Ustinov Institute, as well as the International Institute for Peace, both in Vienna. He served as a Member of the European Parliament from 1996 until 2014. From 2012 to 2014, he was also the President of the group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats.

**Mario Holzner** is Executive Director at wiiw. He is also coordinating economic policy development and communication with a focus on European economic policy. He has recently worked on issues of infrastructure investment in greater Europe, proposing a European Silk Road. Mario Holzner is also a lecturer in applied econometrics at the University of Vienna, Department of Economics.

## Webinar: Looking back, looking forward: Regional cooperation in the Western Balkans

Study presentation and expert discussion

14 October 2020, 4:30 pm

### Venue

Online event

Registration link: <https://my.demio.com/ref/bGIsoFAUXOeuzAuj>

### Description

The European Commission has just released its [Enlargement Package for the Western Balkans](#) together with a [new Investment Plan for the region](#). According to Commissioner Olivér Várhelyi, it is a priority number one of the current Commission to “bring the region much closer, much faster to the European Union”. Regional economic cooperation and the establishment of a regional common market is praised as potential “game changer” for the Western Balkans.

But is the EU following the right strategy? Is regional cooperation a game changer?

A new major report by the Bertelsmann Stiftung and wiiw has taken up these questions. The study [‘Pushing on a string? An evaluation of regional economic cooperation in the Western Balkans’](#) examined the economic effects of the EU's strategy of regional economic cooperation and the reasons for its failure. It argues that the Western Balkan countries would benefit much more from a deeper form of integration into the EU internal market than from all efforts to further advance their intra-regional trade - not least because the basic prerequisites for a functioning regional economic cooperation are still not in place and because the potential upside from deeper economic integration among six relatively poor countries is quite low.

### Agenda

Welcome by **Hannes Swoboda**, President of wiiw & Stefani Weiss, Senior Expert, Bertelsmann Stiftung

Study presentation by **Richard Grieverson**, Deputy Director, wiiw

Comments by **Florian Bieber**, Professor of Southeast European History and Politics and Director of the Centre for Southeast European Studies at the University (CSEES)

Moderation of Q&A session by **Mario Holzner**, Executive Director, wiiw

Attendees will have the **opportunity to ask questions**. Please note, that the event **will be recorded** and published on youtube afterwards.

## Panelists

**Florian Bieber** is Professor of Southeast European History and Politics and Director of the Centre for Southeast European Studies (CSEES) at the University of Graz, Austria. He is also Member of The Balkans in Europe Policy Advisory Group (BiEPAG) and Visiting Professor at the Nationalism Studies Program at Central European University. Professor Bieber studied history and political science at Trinity College (USA) and has taught at the University of Kent, Cornell University, University of Bologna and the University of Sarajevo.

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