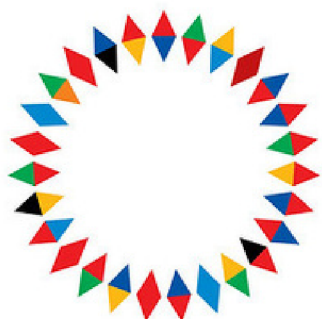


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**EU enlargement**

## **Rethinking Enlargement in times of Geopolitical Earthquakes**

**13 – 14 October 2022  
Prague**



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# PROGRAM

## Thursday, 13 October

UNTIL 15:00

**Arrivals to Prague**

15:00 – 15:30

**Welcome remarks**

- **Jaroslav Kurfurst**, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs for European Issues
- **Adéla Jurečková**, Director, Heinrich Boll Stiftung Prague Office
- **Jana Juzová**, Senior Fellow, Head of Global Europe Programme, EUROPEUM

15:30 – 16:30

**Rethinking Enlargement in times of Geopolitical Earthquakes**  
(in cooperation with Visegrad Insight)

- **Jaroslav Kurfurst**, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs for European Issues
- **Jovana Marović**, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of European Affairs, Montenegro
- **Cristina Gherasimov**, Head of the Cabinet of the President of the Republic of Moldova
- **Peter Erk**, National Coordinator for Western Balkans, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Slovenia
- Commentator: **Barbara Lippert**, Director of Research, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP)
- Moderation: **Wojciech Przybylski**, Editor-in-Chief at Visegrad Insight and Europe's Futures Fellow at the Institute for Human Sciences in Vienna (IWM)

16:30 – 16:50

**Coffee Break**

16:50 – 17:50

**Can European Political Community enhance and complement the Enlargement process?** (in cooperation with Österreichische Gesellschaft für Europapolitik)

- **Jan Michal**, Deputy Sherpa, Office of the Government, Czech Republic
- **Florent Marciacq**, Research Fellow, Austro-French Centre for Rapprochement in Europe
- **Georgina Wright**, Director of Europe Program, Institut Montaigne
- **Matteo Bonomi**, Senior Researcher, Istituto Affari Internazionali and BiEPAG
- Commentator: **Piotr Buras**, Senior Policy Fellow and Head of Warsaw Office, European Council on Foreign Relations
- Moderation: **Paul Schmidt**, General Secretary, Österreichische Gesellschaft für Europapolitik

17:50 – 18:45

**Democratic Resilience in EU's Neighbourhoods** (in cooperation with Association for International Affairs (AMO))

- **Jan Marlan**, Special Envoy for Eastern Partnership, Ministry of the Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic
- **Donika Emini**, Executive Director, Platforma CiviKos and BiEPAG
- **Hennadiy Maksak**, Executive Director, Ukrainska Prisma
- Commentator: **Ardian Hackaj**, Director of Research, CDI Tirana
- Moderation: **Pavel Havlíček**, Research Fellow, Association for International Affairs (AMO)

19:00 – 21:00

Evening reception with Markéta Pekarová Adamová (TBC), Speaker of the Parliament of the Czech Republic and David Smoljak, Chairperson of the EU Affairs Committee at the Senate of the Czech Republic

# PROGRAM

## Friday, 14 October

- 9:00 – 9:15**      **Keynote Speech – Věra Jourová (online)**
- 9:15 – 10:30**      **RE-ESTABLISHING EU'S TRANSFORMATIVE POWER THROUGH STRENGTHENING THE RULE OF LAW IN THE MEMBER STATES**
- **Viola von Cramon Taubadel**, Member of the European Parliament, The Greens/EFA
  - **Srdjan Cvijić**, President, Belgrade Centre for Security Policy and BiEPAG
  - **Nedžma Džananović Mirašojić**, University in Sarajevo
  - Commentator: **Wouter Zweers**, Research Fellow, Clingendael Institute
  - Moderation: **Daniel Hegeđüs**, Senior Fellow & Senior Program Officer at the German Marshall Fund Berlin Office
- 10:30 – 10:50**      **COFFEE BREAK**
- 10:50 – 12:00**      **RE-ENERGIZING THE ENLARGEMENT PROCESS THROUGH INNOVATIVE INTEGRATION MODELS**
- **Nikola Dimitrov**, IWM Europe's Futures Fellow and BiEPAG
  - **Steven Blockmans**, Director of Research, CEPS
  - **Vladimír Bilčík**, Member of the European Parliament
  - **Sonja Schiffers**, Director, Heinrich Boll Stiftung Tbilisi Office
  - Commentator: **Simonida Kacarska**, Director, European Policy Institute (EPI Skopje)
  - Moderation: **Jana Juzová**, Research Fellow and Head of Global Europe, EUROPEUM Institute for European Policy
- 12:00 – 14:00**      **WORKING LUNCHES (UPON INVITATION ONLY)**
- 12:00 – 14:00**      **BUFFET LUNCH**
- 14:00 – 15:00**      **PARALLEL SESSIONS (PAGE NUMBER 3)**
- 15:10 – 16:10**      **PARALLEL SESSIONS (PAGE NUMBER 3)**
- 16:10 – 16:30**      **COFFEE BREAK**
- 16:30 – 17:45**      **Countering Foreign Influence in the Neighbourhoods (in cooperation with European Union Institute for Security Studies)**
- **Marko Sosić**, Policy Analyst, Institut Alternativa
  - **Nad'a Kovalčíková**, Senior Researcher, European Union Institute for Security Studies
  - **Ioannis Armakolas**, Senior Research Fellow, Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy - ELIAMEP
  - Commentator: **Markéta Gregorová**, Member of the European Parliament, The Greens/EFA
  - Moderation: **Jamie Fly**, President and CEO, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty
- 17:45 – 18:30**      **Addressing the Elephant in the room: Where is Serbia heading? (in cooperation with European Western Balkans)**
- **Srdjan Majstorović**, Chairman of the Governing Board, European Policy Centre - CEP Belgrade and BiEPAG
  - **Nikola Burazer**, Executive Editor, European Western Balkans
  - **Ivan Vejvoda**, Permanent Fellow and Head of Europe's Futures at the Institute for Human Sciences in Vienna (IWM)
  - **Viola von Cramon Taubadel**, Member of the European Parliament, The Greens/EFA (TBC)
  - Moderation: **Jana Juzová**, Research Fellow and Head of Global Europe, EUROPEUM Institute for European Policy
- 18:30 – 18:45**      **Closing of the Conferece**

# PARALEL PROGRAMS

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## Friday, 14 October

**14:00 – 15:00**

**Session A:** Green Agenda for the Western Balkans (in cooperation with Climate Action Network Europe)

- **Frosina Antonovska**, Climate and Energy Policy Officer for Western Balkans, CAN Europe
- **Ognjan Pantić**, Belgrade Open School
- **Adam Cwetsch**, Head of European Green Deal Unit, Energy Community

Commentator: **Valbona Zeneli**, Chair of the Strategic Initiatives Department, George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies

Moderation: **Aneta Zachová**, Editor-in-Chief, EurActiv Czech Republic

**14:00 – 15:00**

**Session B:** De-coding Dutch Public Opinion about EU Enlargement. How skeptical are the "skeptics"? The Case of the Netherlands (in cooperation with the European Fund for Balkans)

- **Srdjan Cvijić**, President, Belgrade Centre for Security Policy and BiEPAG
- **Donika Emini**, Executive Director, Platforma CiviKos and BiEPAG
- **Zoran Nechev**, Head of Centre for EU Integration ID SCS and BiEPAG

Commentator: **Wouter Zweers**, Research Fellow, Clingendael Institute

Moderation: **Milena Stefanović**, Programme Manager, European Fund for the Balkans

**15:10 – 16:10**

**Session A: Presentation of the 2022 Enlargement Package by DG NEAR**

Presenters: **Anna Vezyroglou**, Deputy Head of Unit, DG NEAR

Commentators:

- **Nikolaos Tzifakis**, Associate Professor, University of the Peloponnese and BiEPAG
- **Srdjan Majstorovic**, Chairman of the Governing Board, European Policy Centre - CEP Belgrade and BiEPAG
- **Nikola Dimitrov**, Europe's Futures Fellow at the Institute for Human Sciences in Vienna (IWM) and BiEPAG

Commentator: **Teona Lavrelashvili**, Public Governance Institute, KU Leuven

Moderation: **Jana Juzová**, Research Fellow and Head of Global Europe, EUROPEUM Institute for European Policy

**15:10 – 16:10**

**Session B: War in Ukraine and the consequences on the European integrations of the Western Balkans** (in cooperation with Think Balkans)

- **Marta Szpala**, Senior Fellow, OSW
- **Ferenc Németh**, Research Fellow, IFAT
- **Alba Cela**, Executive Director, AIIS
- **Jelica Minić**, President, European Movement in Serbia

Commentator: **Oksana Forostyna**, Europe's Futures Fellow at the Institute for Human Sciences in Vienna (IWM)

Moderation: **Zoran Nechev**, Head of Centre for EU Integration ID SCS and BiEPAG



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