



INVITATION TO THE BUDAPEST EURASIA FORUM 2022

Megatrends in the economy and complex challenges of our age require a new kind of thinking and fresh efforts to strengthen international cooperation. In this spirit, the **Budapest Eurasia Forum** is presented for the fourth time by the **Magyar Nemzeti Bank (MNB), the central bank of Hungary**. The prestigious event will take place in a **hybrid** format on **19-20 September 2022**, with a public online livestream and a conference venue in Budapest. This time, the Forum is titled **“Sustainable Growth and Cooperation – How to Win the 21st Century?”**, and it offers a unique opportunity to learn the views of decision-makers, business leaders and experts from both Europe and Asia, regarding various topics covering finance, economy, geopolitics, technology and education.

After the high-level opening ceremony, there will be six thematic panels with **interactive fireside chats and roundtable discussions**, which seek answers to the hot topics of our era:

- How could Eurasia create and strengthen **new financial hubs**?
- Is **globalisation or regionalisation** the key pattern in geopolitics nowadays?
- How can the **circular economy** enhance competitiveness?
- What are the elements of successful **export and FDI strategies** in Eurasia?
- How do **megaregional integrations and multilateral agreements** contribute to competitiveness?
- What is the role of **people-to-people exchanges** in the new setting of our age?

Considering its scope and participants, the Budapest Eurasia Forum is a **unique event organized by a European central bank** to promote dialogue among Asia and the West. Thus, the Forum underscores the strategic role of **Hungary and Budapest as a key hub in Central and Eastern Europe**. The impact of the initiative is already bearing fruits as **our growing network** is embarking on more and more bilateral exchanges, joint publications and research activities.

The Budapest Eurasia Forum 2022 will feature **more than 40 speakers** from **15 countries**, including Austria, China, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Pakistan, the Republic of Korea, Singapore, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom and the United States.



Confirmed high-level speakers of the Budapest Eurasia Forum 2022 include:

- **Mr. György MATOLCSY**, Governor, Magyar Nemzeti Bank
- **Mr. Sethaput SUTHIWARTNARUEPUT**, Governor, Bank of Thailand
- **Ms. Jun ZHU**, Chairwoman, Silk Road Fund
- **Mr. Eng Chye TAN**, President, National University of Singapore
- **Mr. Simon TAY**, Chairman, Singapore Institute of International Affairs
- **Mr. Jeffrey D. SACHS**, University Professor, Director, Center for Sustainable Development, Columbia University
- **Mr. Raekwon CHUNG**, Board Director, Ban Ki-moon Foundation for a Better Future
- **Ms. Shamshad AKHTAR**, Former Governor, State Bank of Pakistan; Former Care Taker Finance Minister of Pakistan
- **Mr. Ali HASSAN**, Senior Representative for Europe and North America, Dubai International Financial Centre
- **Mr. Patrick LAU**, Deputy Executive Director, Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC)
- **Mr. Byung-il CHOI**, President, Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies
- **Mr. Arturo BRIS**, Director, IMD World Competitiveness Center
- **Mr. Michael MAINELLI**, Chairman, Z/Yen Group Limited.

For the full list of our speakers please visit www.mnb.hu/eurasia/speakers

The **public live event** will be broadcasted in [the website of the conference](#), as well as in Zoom and YouTube. **No registration is required** to join the livestream.

If you wish to attend the conference **personally in Budapest** (MNB Headquarters, 1013 Budapest, Krisztina krt. 55.), please watch out for our official invitation email with the **registration** link, or alternatively, inform us about your interest in email (eurasiaforum@mnb.hu).

We are looking forward to welcoming you at the event.

Kind regards,
Budapest Eurasia Forum
Organizing Committee