Ladies and Gentlemen,

On the occasion of the 10th Anniversary of the 2004 EU Enlargement, the Austrian Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs (BMEIA), the Austrian Federation of Industries (IV), the Institute for Human Sciences (IWM), the Oesterreichische Nationalbank (OeNB) and The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw) cordially welcome you at the

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
TEN YEARS AFTER THE 2004 EU ENLARGEMENT:
ACHIEVEMENTS AND NEXT STEPS
Vienna, April 24-25, 2014

The conference will celebrate the 10th anniversary of the accession of ten Central, Eastern and Southeastern European countries to the European Union. It will reflect on achievements and lessons learned and discuss possible future political and economic developments in Europe:

• Lessons Learned from Past Enlargements: Achievements and Challenges Ahead
• The Economic Crisis and How to Resuscitate Convergence in Europe
• The Conduct of Macroeconomic Policy Pre- and Post-Accession
• Towards Stability in the Western Balkans
• Overcoming New Chasms in the EU’s Neighbourhood
• European Integration and Nationalism: Two Steps Forward, One Step Back
• A Century of European Disintegration and Integration: 1914–2014

Please find enclosed a detailed conference program and further practical information.

With best regards,

BMEIA, IV, IWM, OeNB, wiiw
Thursday, April 24, 2014

10:00  Welcome Address and Introductory Statement
      Ewald Nowotny, Governor, Oesterreichische Nationalbank (OeNB)

10:30  Session 1: Overcoming New Chasms in the EU’s Neighbourhood
      Chair: Gerald Knaus, President and co-founder of the European Stability Initiative
      Lilia Shevtsova, Professor at the Higher School of Economics and Senior Associate, Carnegie Moscow Center
      Olga Bielkova, Member of Parliament, Ukrainian Assembly
      Ivan Krastev, Chairman of the Centre for Liberal Strategies in Sofia and Senior Fellow, IWM
      Herbert Stepic, Former CEO, Raiffeisen Bank International

12:00  Buffet lunch

13:15  Session 2: Towards Stability in the Western Balkans
      Chair: Ellen Goldstein, Country Director for Southeast Europe, World Bank
      Vesna Pešić, Party founder and Leader of the Civic Alliance of Serbia, former Member of the Serbian Parliament
      Žarko Puhovski, Professor for Political Philosophy and former president of the Croatian Helsinki Committee
      Susan L. Woodward, Professor of Political Science, City University New York
      Vladimir Gligorov, Professor and Senior Researcher, The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)

14:45  Coffee break

15:15  Session 3: The Economic Crisis and How To Resuscitate Convergence in Europe
      Chair: Michael Landesmann, Director of Research, The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)
      Danuta Huebner, Chair of the Committee on Regional Development, European Parliament
      Jan Svejnar, Director of the Center for Global Economic Governance, Columbia University
      Loukas Tsoukalas, President of the Hellenic Foundation for European & Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP)
      Péter Balázs, Director of the Center for EU Enlargement Studies at CEU, former EU Commissioner and former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Hungary

17:00  Break (Move to Palais Niederösterreich)

18:00  Evening Panel: Returning to Europe: Ten Years of EU Integration in Central Eastern Europe –
      Achievements, Lessons Learned, Challenges Ahead

      Introductory Remarks:
      Sebastian Kurz, Federal Minister for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs, Austria
      Georg Kapsch, President, Federation of Austrian Industries (IV)
      Miroslav Lajčák, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Slovakia
      Enikő Győri, Minister of State for EU Affairs, Hungary
      Igor Šentnar, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Slovenia
      Andrej Mertelj, CEO Datalab AG, Slovenia
      Andreas Treichl, Chairman and CEO, Erste Group Bank AG, Austria

      Moderated by: Christian Ultsch, Foreign Editor, Die Presse

19:30  Buffet dinner
Friday, April 25
Morning Session – 75th Anniversary of OeNB East Jour Fixe
Ten Years of EU Enlargement – What Have We Learned?

09:00 Welcome Address and Introductory Statement
Doris Ritzberger-Grünwald, Director, Economic Analysis and Research Department (OeNB)

09:15 Session 4: Exchange Rate Strategies and Competitiveness (Panel Discussion)
Chair: Doris Ritzberger-Grünwald
Konstantins Benkovskis, Head, Monetary Research and Forecasting Division, Latvijas Banka
Aurelijus Dabušinskas, Director, Economics Department, Lietuvos bankas
Lubos Komarek, Director, External Economic Relations Division, Česká národní banka
Mariella Nenova-Amar, Director, Economic Research and Forecasting, Bulgarian National Bank
Martin Šuster, Director, Research Department, Národná banka Slovenska

10:30 Coffee break

11:00 Session 5: Challenges for Financial Stability (Panel Discussion)
Chair: Helene Schuberth, Head, Foreign Research Division, OeNB
Ryszard Kokoszczyński, Deputy Director General, Research, Narodowy Bank Polski; Professor at Warsaw University
István Kónya, Head of Research, Magyar Nemzeti Bank
Florian Neagu, Head, Macroprudential Risk Division, Banca Națională a României
Karsten Staehr, Research Supervisor, Eesti Pank; Professor at Tallinn University of Technology
Tatjana Šuler Štavt, Assistant Director, Financial Stability Department, Banka Slovenije

12:15 Concluding Statement: 10 Years of EU Enlargement – What Have We Learned?
Gertrude Tumpel-Gugerell, former Member of the Executive Board of the ECB, former Vice Governor of the OeNB

13:00 Buffet lunch
Friday, April 25
Afternoon Session – Continuation of Day 1

14:00  **Session 6: European Integration and Nationalism: Two Steps Forward, One Step Back**
Chair: Ivan Krastev, Chairman of the Centre for Liberal Strategies in Sofia and Permanent Fellow, Institute for Human Sciences (IWM)
Alina Mungiu-Pippidi, Professor of Democracy Studies, Hertie School of Governance
Lajos Bokros, Member of European Parliament and Professor of Economics at Central European University
Soli Ozel, Professor of International Relations, Kadir Has University, Istanbul
Anton Pelinka, Professor of Political Sciences and Nationalism Studies, Central European University

15:30  Coffee break

16:00  **Session 7: A Century of European Disintegration and Integration: 1914–2014**
Chair: Timothy Snyder, Professor of History at Yale University and Permanent Fellow, Institute for Human Sciences (IWM)
Holly Case, Associate Professor of History, Cornell University
Yaroslav Hrytsak, Professor of History, Ukrainian Catholic University
Dariusz Stola, Professor of Political Sciences, Polish Academy of Sciences

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