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Agenda

TRANSATLANTIC TRADE AND INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP: Opportunities and Challenges for the SMEs in Central Europe

CONFERENCE

22 September 2016

Language: English

Venue: Central European University, Budapest

Nádor utca 9, Monument Building, Popper Room

9:15 - 9:30 REGISTRATION

9:30 – 9:40 OPENING REMARKS

Zoltán Lédig, Head of Department for Trade Policy, Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Trade

<u>9:40 – 11:10 Panel I:</u> What can Small Businesses Expect from TTIP? Overview of Negotiations and Chapters

PANELISTS:

HIDDO HOUBEN, HEAD OF UNIT, DEPUTY CHIEF NEGOTIATOR FOR TTIP, EUROPEAN COMMISSION (DG TRADE)

KATHERINE KALUTKIEWICZ, SENIOR TRADE REPRESENTATIVE OF UNITED STATES MISSION TO THE EU (USEU)

ELŐD SOLTI, MANAGING PARTNER, SOLTI & PARTNERS CONSULTING LTD., BUSINESS MEMBER OF AMCHAM HUNGARY

Moderator: Prof. Dr. Péter Balázs, *Director, Center for European Neighborhood* Studies, Central European University

Q&A

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<u>11:10 – 11:30 Coffee Break</u>

<u>11:30 – 13:00 Panel II: How Can Central European SMEs Prepare for TTIP?</u> <u>Opportunities and Challenges</u>

PANELISTS:

DR. DAVID R. DEREMER, POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCHER, INSTITUTE OF WORLD ECONOMICS, HUNGARIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

Péter Lőrincze, Executive Board Vice Chair, The Business and Industry Advisory Committee (BLAC) to the OECD

Terézia Borosné Bartha, *Director for International Affairs, Confederation of Hungarian Employers and Industrialists*

MODERATOR: PROF. DR. ANDRÁS INOTAI, RESEARCH PROFESSOR, INSTITUTE OF WORLD ECONOMICS, RESEARCH CENTER FOR ECONOMIC AND REGIONAL STUDIES, HUNGARIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

Q&A

13:00 - 13:10 CLOSING REMARKS

DR. BALÁZS MOLNÁR, DEPUTY STATE SECRETARY FOR EU AFFAIRS, PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE