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# Think Tank Collaboration in Transition Policy Studies

27-29 June 2004

Kranjska Gora, Slovenia

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## CONFERENCE AGENDA

### Sunday, 27 June 2004\*

- 17:00-17:10 WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS
- Charles Cadwell, Director, The IRIS Center
  - Annette Brown, Manager, BearingPoint, Inc.
- 17:10-19:00 ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION: Think Tank Partnership in Transition Region: Synergies, Sustainability, Lessons Learned
- 19:30 CONFERENCE OPENING DINNER AT THE HOTEL RESTAURANT

### Monday, 28 June 2004

#### Policy Seminar I: Macroeconomic Policy Issues

- 9:00-9:55 POST-TRANSITION MACROECONOMIC PROBLEMS  
Presenting team:
- New Economic School, Russia
  - Tinbergen Institute, The Netherlands
  - European Center of the International Center for Economic Growth, Hungary
- 9:55-10:50 MECHANISMS OF LONG-TERM GROWTH IN TRANSITION ECONOMIES: CASES OF RUSSIA AND ROMANIA  
Presenting team:
- Center for Macroeconomic Analysis and Short-Term Forecasting, Russia
  - Institute of Economic Forecasting, Romania
  - DRI-WEFA, USA
- 10:50-11:10 COFFEE BREAK
- 11:10-12:05 TIMING OF MONETARY POLICY AND INFLATION MONITORING  
Presenting team:
- Laboratory of Macroeconomic Analysis, European University at St.Petersburg, Russia
  - Gdansk Institute for Market Economics, Poland
- 12:05-12:30 GENERAL DISCUSSION
- 12:30-14:00 LUNCH

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\* A sightseeing trip to Ljubljana will be organized on Sunday, 27 June 2004 (from 9:30 till 16:00).

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## Policy Panels

- 14:00-14:55 **PANEL 1: GOVERNMENT REVENUE STRUCTURE AND SPENDING TARGETS IN RUSSIA AND HUNGARY**  
Presenting team:
- Center for Fiscal Policy, Russia
  - Budapest Economics, Hungary
  - Center for Development Research, Germany
- 14:55-15:50 **PANEL 2: FIGHTING CORRUPTION IN POST-SOCIALIST COUNTRIES: CASES OF RUSSIA AND HUNGARY**  
Presenting team:
- Center for Independent Social Research, Russia
  - Foundation for Market Economy, Hungary
  - American University, USA
- 15:50-16:10 COFFEE BREAK
- 16:10-17:05 **PANEL 3: INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES AS DRIVERS OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN POST-COMMUNIST COUNTRIES**  
Presenting team:
- Central Economic and Mathematical Institute of the Russian Academy of Science, Russia
  - The Conference Board, USA
  - Transformation, Integration and Globalization Economic Research, Poland
- 17:05-18:00 **PANEL 4: PARTNERSHIP MODEL FOR ECONOMIC RESEARCH AND POLICY ANALYSIS IN TRANSITION ECONOMIES**  
Presenting team:
- Russian-American Economic and Business Institute at Urals State University, Russia
  - Center for Economic Research and Graduate Education-Economic Institute, Czech Republic
  - William Davidson Institute, USA
- 18:30 DINNER AT THE HOTEL RESTAURANT

Tuesday, 29 June 2004

## Policy Seminar II: Corporate Governance in Transition Economies

- 9:00-9:55 **INSIDERS, OUTSIDERS AND GOOD CORPORATE GOVERNANCE IN TRANSITION ECONOMIES: CASES OF RUSSIA AND BULGARIA**  
Presenting team:
- Institute for Industrial and Market Studies, Higher School of Economics, Russia
  - Center for Comparative Studies, Bulgaria
  - Timothy Frye, Ohio State University, USA

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9:55-10:50 **OWNERSHIP CONCENTRATION AND CORPORATE PERFORMANCE: CASES OF SLOVENIA AND RUSSIA**  
Presenting team:

- REB-Monitoring (Russian Economic Barometer), Russia
- Institute for Southeast Europe, Slovenia
- Center for East European Studies, Denmark

10:50-11:10 COFFEE BREAK

11:10-12:05 **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND SECONDARY PRIVATIZATION IN TRANSITION**  
Presenting team:

- Institute for the Economy in Transition (IET), Russia
- Center for Social and Economic Research (CASE), Poland
- Staffordshire University Business School, UK

12:05-12:30 GENERAL DISCUSSION

12:30-14:00 LUNCH

## Policy Panels

14:00-14:55 **PANEL 1: MORTGAGE AFFORDABILITY IN TRANSITION ECONOMIES**  
Presenting team:

- Institute for Urban Economics, Russia
- Metropolitan Research Institute, Hungary
- Urban Institute, USA

14:55-15:50 **PANEL 2: POVERTY, INEQUALITY AND SOCIAL POLICIES IN THE COUNTRYSIDE**  
Presenting team:

- Center for International Investments in Agri-Food Sector, Russia
- Foundation for Development of Polish Agriculture, Poland
- Michigan State University, Department of Agricultural Economics, USA

15:50-16:10 COFFEE-BREAK

16:10-17:05 **PANEL 3: ACTIVE LABOR MARKET PROGRAMS IN TRANSITION ECONOMIES**  
Presenting team:

- Center for Economic and Financial Research, Russia
- IMPAQ International LLC, USA
- National Research Institute for Labor and Social Safety Nets, Romania

17:05-18:00 **PANEL 4: GLOBALIZATION, ETHNICITY, AND FOREIGN LABOR MIGRATION**  
Presenting team:

- Center for Ethnic Relations and Nationalism, Helsinki University, Finland
- Demographic Research Institute, Hungary Siberian Center for Applied Research in Economics, Russia

18:30 CLOSING RECEPTION

INVITED SPEAKER: Professor Dusan Mramor, Minister of Finances of Slovenia:  
"Slovenian inclusion into ERM2 and EURO zone"

