Dynamizing subsidizing.
Sustainable Funding for Central and Eastern Europe
and Green Reform Proposals
(German title: Überfordert oder überfördert?
Nachhaltige Ideen für eine EU-Förderpolitik in Mittel- und Osteuropa)
Vienna, 5th December 2014

DRAFT PROGRAMME (updated 2014-12-03)

Friday, 5th December:
Location: Haus der Europäischen Union, Wipplingerstrasse 35, 1010 Vienna.

11:00-11:30: Welcome by Johann Sollgruber (Head a.i. of the European Commission-Representation in Austria), Welcome + Introduction by Monika Vana MEP, Austria

11:30-13:00: Presentation of the SERIND ("Socioecological reindustrialisation") Project and its relevance to local councillors by Andreas Novy (Chair of the Austrian Green Foundation GBW and Professor at the Institute for the Environment and Regional Development - University of Economics and Business Vienna) followed by a panel discussion with Karin Kadenbach, MEP (SPÖ, Member of the Committee on Environment) and Erzsébet Gergely ("Ökopolisz Foundation", Hungary). Moderation: Doris Pollet-Kammerlander

13:00-14:15: Lunch

14:15-15.30: Panel discussion: "Power play: Possibilities of EU cohesion policy on the way to the 'energy revolution' and for more sphere of influence in foreign policy".
Tamás Meszerics MEP, Hungary (Foreign Affairs expert, CEU assistant professor, Doctoral School of Political Science, Public Policy and International Relations; Committee on Foreign Affairs, Delegation to the EU-Russia Parliamentary Cooperation Committee, Delegation to the Euronest Parliamentary Assembly), Davor Škrlec MEP, Croatia (Energy expert, former professor at University of Zagreb, Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Computing; Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety, Committee on Regional Development). Moderation: Doris Pollet-Kammerlander
15:30-17:00 pm: Panel discussion: **Practice and effectiveness of EU pre-accession assistance in the Western Balkans.**

Ulrike Lunacek MEP, Austria, Vice President of the European Parliament (Committee on Foreign Affairs, Delegation to the EU-Serbia, Delegation to the EU-Montenegro, Delegation for relations with Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Kosovo),

**Gerhard Schumann-Hitzler** (Director of the DG Enlargement in the European Commission, Brussels),

**Vedran Džihić** (Department of Political Science, University of Vienna).

Moderation: **Doris Pollet-Kammerlander**

17:00-18:00: Coffee and Networking Break

18:00-20:00: Panel discussion: "EU funds for Central and Eastern Europe: fortune or fraud? Reform proposals for Regional politics and fair redistribution". (German title: "EU-Förderungen für Zentral- und Osteuropa: Segen oder Sumpf? Reform-Vorschläge für Regionalpolitik und faire Umverteilung").

Herta Tödtling-Schönhofe (Director of Metis Consulting Company - supporting good governance),

**Monika Vana MEP, Austria** (Committee on Regional Development, Committee on Budgets; Founder of the "Central European Round Table of Green Local Councillors"),

**Ákos Éger** (CEE Bankwatch Network/Friends of the Earth Hungary),

**András Lukács** (Clean Air Action Group, Hungary),

**Benedek Jávor MEP, Hungary** (Anti-Corruption expert, Committee on Budgetary Control, Member of the Intergroup on Integrity).

Moderation: **Sibyllé Hamann** (journalist).

Followed by an evening reception.

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*Working language: English, evening panel: translation into German.*