



Hungarian Presidency
High Level Economic Policy Seminar

**PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME
(17/03/2011)**

“Economic growth and fiscal consolidation”

Ministry for National Economy
Budapest, József nádor tér 2-4

30 March 2011



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08.30 Registration and coffee

09.15-09.30 Opening Speech by **György Matolcsy**, Minister for National Economy

Session 1

Chair: György Szapáry*, Ambassador of the Republic of Hungary in Washington D.C., former EFC member on behalf of Magyar Nemzeti Bank

09.30-10.00 **Growth-promoting fiscal consolidations - Lessons from international experience**

- Speaker: Zsolt Darvas*, Research Fellow, Bruegel Institute

10.00-10.20 Discussants:

- Douglas Sutherland*, Senior Economist, Public Economics Division, Team leader on the WP1 project on fiscal consolidation, OECD
- Ágnes Csermely*, Director, Magyar Nemzeti Bank

10.20-11.00 Open debate

11.0.11.10 Coffee break

Session 2

Chair: Álmos Kovács*, former EFC member on behalf of the Ministry of Finance, Hungary

11.10-11.40 **Growth enhancing structural reforms**

- Speaker: Marcin Piatkowski*, Senior economist, World Bank, Warsaw Office

11.40-12.00 Discussants:

- Robert Anderton*, Adviser, EU Countries Division, DG-Economics, ECB
- Tamás Mellár*, Research Director, Századvég Economic Research Ltd, Budapest

12.00-12.40 Open debate

12.40-14.00 Buffet lunch for participants



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Session 3

Chair: Álmos Kovács*, former EFC member on behalf of the Ministry of Finance, Hungary

- 14.0.14.30** **The long term view: raising long term potential growth and the relevance of the EU2020 strategy**
- Speaker: Jens Henriksson*, President of NASDAQ OMX, Stockholm and former EFC member on behalf of the Ministry of Finance, Sweden
- 14.30-14.50** Discussants:
- Dariusz Rosati*, Professor of Economics, Warsaw School of Economics
 - Daniel Palotai*, Head of Macroeconomic Policy Department, Ministry for National Economy
- 14.50-15.30** Open debate
- 15.30-15.40 Coffee break

Session 4

Chair: Sándor Vízkeleti, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Association of Hungarian Investment and Asset Management Companies (tbc)

- 15.40-16.10** **Promoting the development of domestic capital markets**
- Speaker: Péter Tabák*, Adviser, EBRD
- 16.10-16.30** Discussants:
- Iryna Ivaschenko*, International Monetary Fund, Resident Representative to Hungary
 - István Rácz*, Head of Financial Sector Analysis, Hungarian Financial Supervisory Authority
- 16.30-17.10** Open Discussion
- 17.10-17.20** Close of Seminar by **Roland Nátrán***, Deputy State Secretary for Financial Policy Affairs, Ministry for National Economy

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