

RSA WORKSHOP ON

EU Cohesion Policy in Eastern and Southern Europe: taking stock and drawing lessons for the future

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Venue: room 236, Building A (main building) of the Poznań University of Economics and Business (PUEB)

9:00 - **Registration and coffee**

09:30 – 11:00 – **Opening session**

Welcome: **Prof. Elżbieta Gołata** (Vice-rector for Research and International Cooperation, PUEB)
Prof. Maciej Szymczak (Dean of Faculty of International Business and Economics, PUEB)
Prof. Ewa Małuszyńska (Chair of Department of European Studies, PUEB)

Chair: Ida Musiałkowska (PUEB)

Keynote: **Eduarda Marques da Costa** (University of Lisbon) - *EU Cohesion Policy in Eastern and Southern Europe: repeating paths at different speeds?*

Discussion

11:00 – 11:30 - Coffee break 1

11:30- 13:00 – Research session 1: Convergence at regional and micro level. Countries' experiences with regional and urban policy-making in the Cohesion Policy.

Chair/Discussant: Monika Matusiak (European Commission)

1. **Panagiotis Liargovas and Stavroula Kratimenou** (University of Peloponnese, Jean Monnet Center of Excellence) - *Real convergence in the EU; do Eastern and Southern Europe lag behind?*
2. **Judit Kalman** (Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Institute of Economics) - *Effects of EU-Funds on Territorial Cohesion - Public and Private Resources for Regional Development in the Least-Developed, Most Deprived Micro-Regions of Hungary.*
3. **Dorota Kamrowska-Załuska and Hanna Obracht-Prondzyńska** (Gdańsk University of Technology) - *Urban Regeneration in Urban Functional Areas as an Instrument of Implementation of EU Cohesion Policy.*

13:00 - 14:00 – **Lunch** (light buffet lunch)

14:00 – 15:30 – **Research session 2: Governance, political factors and impact on the implementation of the Cohesion Policy**

Chair/Discussant: **Oto Potluka** (University of Basel)

1. **Monika Banaszewska and Ivo Bischoff** (PUEB, University of Kassel) – *EU funds and the prospect of re-election: Evidence from local election in Poland.*
2. **Györgyi Nyikos and Gábor Soós** (Hungarian National University of Public Service) - *The Hungarian experience of using Cohesion Policy funds and future prospects.*
3. **Sylwia Borkowska-Waszak** (European Policies Research Centre, University of Strathclyde) - *The role of political factors in the Cohesion Policy implementation: the case of Integrated Territorial Investments in Poland.*

15:30 - 15:45 - **Coffee break 2**

15:45 - 17:15 – **Research session 3: Institutional and sectoral approach towards the Cohesion Policy**

Chair/Discussant: **Piotr Idczak** (PUEB)

1. **Monika Matusiak** (European Commission) - *Institutional readiness and institutional discovery process for smart specialisation in Eastern and South-Eastern EU, candidate and neighbourhood countries.*
2. **Gergő Medve-Bálint and Vera Ščepanovič** (Hungarian Academy of Sciences, European University Institute) - *Promoting foreign investments through EU funds in the Eastern member states: the case of the automotive sector in Poland and Romania.*
3. **Oto Potluka, Martin Spacek and Jiri Remr** (University of Basel, CEPS, Slovak University of Technology Comenius University in Bratislava, Institute for Evaluations and Social Analyses) - *NGOs as partners: Obstacles in the EU Cohesion Policy?*

17:15 – 17:45 - **Conclusions**

Oto Potluka (University of Basel)

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