



# European Ideas Network

*Policy seminar with Foundation for a Civic Hungary*

## Facing 2025 Foreign Policy Challenges: Russia and EU Security Issues

Monday 2 June 2008  
Venue: **Hilton Budapest**  
Hess András tér 1-3.  
1014 Budapest  
Hungary

### **Draft Programme**

#### **Monday 2 June**

**15.30 – 16.00**

Registration for participants open  
**Hilton Budapest, Room ‘Szent István, Szent Imre’**  
Hess András tér 1-3.  
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**16.00 - 16.15**

#### ***Welcome***

- **Jaime Mayor Oreja MEP**, *Vice-Chairman, EPP-ED Group at the European Parliament, responsible for Strategy and EIN.*
- **Zoltán Balog**, *President, Foundation for a Civic Hungary; chairman of the Committee for Human Rights, Hungarian Parliament*
- **József Szájer MEP**, *Vice-President, EPP-ED Parliamentary Group*

**16.15 - 16.30**

*Guest speaker:*

**Viktor Orbán**, *Chairman, Fidesz; Vice-Chairman, European People’s Party; former Hungarian Prime Minister*

**16.30 - 17.50**

#### ***Round-Table on Russian Foreign Policy***

*Chairman of the session:*

- **Tunne Kelam**, *MEP, Member of the EU’s Russia Delegation*

*Panelists:*

- **Boris Reitschuster**, *Journalist, Director of the Moscow Office of the German News Review Focus; Author of several books on the new Russia (“Fabrschüler Medwedew” and “Der neue Herr in Kreml?”)*
- **Zsolt Németh**, *Chairman, Foreign Affairs Committee, Hungarian Parliament*
- **Albert Musliu**, *Executive Director, Macedonian Association for Democratic Initiatives*

*Discussion.*

*Conclusions:*

17.50 – 18.00

*Coffee Break*

18.00 – 19.45

## ***Russia and European Energy Security***

*Chairman of the session:*

- **Iván Bába**, *Chief Editor, Budapest Analyses; former Hungarian State Secretary for Foreign Affairs.*

*Panelists:*

- **Bonifacio Garcia-Porras**, *member of the Cabinet of the Commissioner of Energy*
- **András Gyürk**, *MEP, member of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy*
- **Pawel Zalewski**, *Member of the Sejm, former chairman of the Polish Foreign Affairs Committee*
- **Matthias Dürr**, *Director, RWE Office, Brussels*

*Discussion*

*Conclusions:*

- **Péter Kaderják**, *Regional Centre for Energy Policy Research, Budapest Corvinus University; former President, Hungarian Energy Office*

20.00 - 22.00

## ***Dinner :***

*Venue:*

**Hilton Budapest, “Parliament Room”**

*Guest speaker:*

**János Martonyi**, *former Hungarian Foreign Minister; Professor, Szeged University; chairman of the Budapest Free Europe Center*