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## The European Unions's Balkan Enlargement: what does it mean for the Greek economy?

### *Programme*

#### **16.15 Introductory remarks**

Dr **Nikolaos Garganas**, Governor, Bank of Greece and Chair of the LSE's Hellenic Observatory Advisory Board

Mr **Dimitris Paraskevas**, President, Greek LSE Alumni Association

#### **16.30 Keynote speeches: The New Agenda for Greece**

Chair – Professor **Kevin Featherstone**, Director, Hellenic Observatory, LSE

Opening Remarks

*Dr Euripides Stylianidis*, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Greece

The EU's Balkan Enlargement: what next for Bulgaria and Romania?

*Professor Willem Buiter*, LSE; former Chief Economist, EBRD

Balkan Accession: implications for Greece's trade, investment and production

*Professor George Petrakos*, University of Thessaly

Discussion

*Dr Emmanouil Zervoudakis*, Bank of Greece and IMF

Questions from the floor and panel discussion

#### **Refreshments**

#### **19.00 Panel Discussion: Greek Experience of Trade and Investment in SEE**

Chair – Dr **Vassilis Monastiriotis**, Hellenic Observatory, LSE

Opening remarks

*Dr Mugur Isarescu*, Governor, Bank of Romania (former PM)

Our experience: Comments by senior business and financial representatives

*Coca-Cola HBC, Global Finance, Viohalco, Athens Medical Group, Greccotel*

Banking and the business environment in the Balkans

*Ms Evgenia Gragana*, Emerging Markets, National Bank of Greece

Questions from the floor and panel discussion

#### **20.30 Closing remarks**

Professor **Kevin Featherstone**, Director, Hellenic Observatory, LSE