HBLF · ICEG European Center · Figyelő Financial Summit VIII – Figyelő TOP200 Back to the Future – Back to the Top

Danubius Health Spa Resort Margitsziget, Budapest, 10 October 2008

00 50 8 - 8 Registration

Plenary

8⁵⁰ - 9⁰⁰ <u>Welcome speeches</u>

Borbála Czakó, President of the Hungarian Business Leaders Forum Pál Gáspár, Director of ICEG European Center József Péter Martin, Editor-in-chief of Figyelő

9⁰⁰-9¹⁰ Preliminary speech – Regional expansion, unlimited competitiveness

Erik Bogsch, CEO of Richter Gedeon Nyrt.

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9 - 10 Keynote speeches - Hungarian economy and the reform of public finances

István Stumpf, Chairman of the Századvég Foundation, former Minister of Chancellery

Lajos Bokros, Professor and CEO of Central European University, former Minister of Finance

10 - 11 Guest lecture - Economic reforms, euro and convergence

Ivan Miklos, former Minister of Finance of Slovakia

$$11^{00} - 11^{20}$$
 Coffee break

11⁻ - 12⁻ Ministerial round-table – The problems of state finances, short-term challenges

János Veres, Minister of Finance Gordon Bajnai, Minister for National Development and Economy Mihály Varga, Vice-president of Fidesz, former Minister of Finance

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12 - 13 Round-table on tax reforms for a competitive economy

László Kovács, EU Comissioner for Taxation and Customs Árpád Kovács, the President of the Hungarian State Audit Office László Parragh, Chairman of Hungarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry Szabolcs Vámosi-Nagy, Tax Director of Ernst&Young, former Vice-President of the APEH

 $13^{00} - 14^{00}$ Lunch break

Sections (round-table discussions)

Section 1 – Macroeconomic and state finance prospects, questions of competitiveness (Financial Summit VIII.)

00 14⁶⁰ - 15⁶⁰ State finance and macroeconomic prospects with the eyes of analysts

György Barcza, chief economist of K&H Bank István Zsoldos, macro analyst of the Goldman Sachs Raffaella Tenconi, chief economist of Wood & Co. Christoph Rosenberg, Head of the IMF's regional office for Central Europe and the **Baltics**

15 - 16 Competitive state, competitiveness of the national economy

László Drajkó, CEO of Microsoft Hungary László Ábrahám, General manager of National Instruments Géza Egyed. Prime Minister's Commissioner responsible for the ESS Project Gábor Kornai, President of AAM Management Information Consulting Ltd. László Kapolyi, CEO and President of System Consulting Zrt.

Section 2 – Regional expansion – unlimited competitiveness (Figyelő TOP 200)

00 20 14 - 14 Tax competition and competitiveness in Central and Eastern Europe

László Kovács, EU Comissioner for Taxation and Customs

$14^{20} - 15^{10}$ What does the region have to offer investors? Attractive investment targets in the region

Tamás Vitézy, Chairman of the board of directors of Adriatiq Islands Group Péter Lakatos, CEO of Videoton Holding Zrt. György Rétfalvi, CEO of ITD Hungary Zrt. Zoltán Dienes, Chairman of the supervisory board and international director of CBA Kereskedelmi Kft.

15 - 16 **Different countries, different investors' experience**

Krisztina Dorogházi, CEO of Italiana Energia e Servizi (IES) of the MOL-group György Bobvos, Director of Serbian TriGránit Development Corporation László Diósi, President and CEO of OTP Bank Romania István Szabó, Deputy-CEO of Gedeon Richter Romania S.A.

Plenary

00 20 16 - 16 Coffee break

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16 - 16 Monetary processes and leeway of the central bank

Ferenc Karvalits, Deputy-Governor of National Bank of Hungary

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16 - 17 Closing remarks - Lajos Bokros and István Stumpf