



TOWARDS A STRONGER AND SAFER EUROPE PANEUROPEAN VIEW OVER EU & SCHENGEN ENLARGEMENT

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE PANEUROPE
BUCHAREST, ROMANIA

DATE 8-9 MARCH 2024
NATIONAL BANK OF ROMANIA AND PALACE OF THE PARLIAMENT

8 MARCH

10-12 *ARRIVAL OF PARTICIPANTS*

13-15 *WELCOME COCKTAIL - NATIONAL BANK OF ROMANIA*

15-16 *GUIDED TOUR OF THE NATIONAL BANK OF ROMANIA*

16-18 *WORKSHOP PANEUROPEAN ELITES AND THE FUTURE OF EUROPE*

20 *DINNER*

9 MARCH

10:00 *WELCOMING SPEECHES:*

ALAIN TERRENOIRE, PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL PAN-EUROPEAN UNION

NICOLAE-IONEL CIUCĂ, PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, *TBC*

MARIAN-CĂTĂLIN PREDOIU, VICE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS *TBC*

LUMINIȚA ODOBESCU, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF ROMANIA, *TBC*



11:00 PANEL I: SCHENGEN ENLARGEMENT VERSUS EU TREATIES

This panel will examine the provisions of the Treaties and the significance thereof for the European Union as a whole. Brief history of the accession process for Romania and Bulgaria (based on the Act of Accession, going through the process in 2011 and fulfilling the conditions for accession). Recent documents drafted by the European Commission in support of Schengen objective, but also resolutions of the European Parliament (most recent in July 2023).

Alina Gorghiu, Minister of Justice of Romania, TBC

Pavo Barišić, Secretary of the International Pan-European Union and President of the Croatian Pan-European Union

Corlatean Titus, Member of the Senate of Romania, former Minister of Justice and of Foreign Affairs

Crenguța Leaua, PhD, Associate professor of Business Law and EU Law at the Bucharest University of Economics TBC

Cosmin Vasile, Managing partner of. Zamfirescu Racoti Vasile & Partners TBC

12:30 COFFEE BREAK

13:00 PANEL II: ACHIEVING THE FULL POTENTIAL OF THE INTERNAL MARKET BY ELIMINATING FRAGMENTATION AND ARTIFICIAL BARRIERS

An internal market without bottlenecks as fundamental objective for achieving resilience for European Union (fluidity of supply chains; interdependence of European economies and the need to activate all levers for a resilient and competitive EU economy); boost investment potential/attractiveness of the EU for external economic actors; Regional connectivity - contributes to achieving the EU's objective of regional development and reducing economic disparities; Transport and environment view.

Ștefan Radu Oprea, Member of the Senate of Romania

Cosmin Marinescu, Economist, professor at the Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies

Luca Niculescu, Secretary of State for Romania's accession to the OECD

Cristi Busoi, Member of the European Parliament, President of ITRE Committee

Tanase Stamule, Associated professor, and dean of FABIZ

Radu Dinescu, General Secretary of UNTRR



14:30 PANEL III: EU&SCHENGEN ENLARGEMENT AND FUTURE ARCHITECTURE OF EUROPE

Ongoing debates related to end results and concrete decisions derived from the Conference on the Future of Europe; Final report and proposals; Switching from unanimity voting to qualified majority voting through the “passerelle clauses” (bridging clauses); Upcoming EU elections.

George Crin Laurențiu Antonescu, Former Acting President of Romania TBC
Eric Campion, President of Paneurope France
Cristian Pîrvulescu, Political analyst, activist, journalist, professor at the National School of Political Studies and Public Administration
Vanja Gavran, Secretary-General of the Croatian Pan-European Union
Sever Voinescu, Journalist, political analyst, diplomat
Theodor Paleologu, Former Member of the Assembly of Deputies of Romania
Alessandro Bertoldi, Founder of Milton Friedman Institute
Andrea Villotti, Director Emeritus of the Milton Friedman Institute
Dan Cărbunaru, director of Calea Europeana/European Path

20 DINNER
