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October 17-18, 2008
Workshop Programme**

Friday 17, October 2008

14.30-15.30

Registration

15.30-16.30

Plenary Session

Opening addresses

Prof. Dr. Andrei Marga, Rector, Babes-Bolyai University

Prof. Dr. Dumitru Matis, Dean FSEGA

Dr. Helena Marques, Organizer and INFER board member

Dr. Willy Spanjers, INFER board member

16.30-17.30

Keynote Lecture

Prof. Dr. Liviu Voinea, Director of Applied Economics Group, Bucharest- How sustainable is the high rate of economic growth in Romania?

17.30-18.00

Coffee break

18.00-19.30

Session no. 1 - SME: Changes, Risks and Human Resources

Liliana Donath, Marius Milos -The prerequisites of public sector performance: governance, culture, efficiency

Chair Rodrigo Zeidan

Discussant: Eugenia Sonea

Ming-Wen Hu- The sources of changes in SME' export behavior: Taiwan in transition

Discussant: Claudiu Albuлесcu

Eugenia Sonea, Adrian Sonea, Kinga Szabo - Human Ressource Evolution in Romanian Companies Network
Claudiu Albuлесcu - Assessing Romanian Financial Sector Stability: The Importance of the International Economic Climate

Discussant: Marius Milos

Discussant: Willy Spanjers

20.00

Dinner

**Saturday, October 18
2008**

9.00-10.30	Session no. 2 - International Trade Ingianni Andreea - Trade and output Convergence in the new members of the European Union Rodrigo Zeidan - Characteristics of Bilateral Trade and Evolving Patterns of Trade between Brazil and the European Union in the 1994-2005 period Martin Bijsterbosch, Marcin Kolasa - FDI and productivity convergence in central and Eastern Europe: a sectoral investigation	Chair: Marcin Kolasa Discussant: Cristina Jude Discussant: Ingianni Andrea Discussant: Monica Pop Silaghi
10.30-11.00	Coffee break	
11.00-13.00	Session no. 3 - Labor economics: migration and unemployment Helena Marques, Hugh Metcalf - Optimal East West Migration policy in Europe under unemployment benefits and diverse industrial sectors Nuria Rodriguez - What works best for Getting the Unemployed Back to Work: Employment Services or Small-Business Assistance Programmes? Evidence from Romania Magdalena Ghisoiu, Ilie Parpucea, Cristina Jude - The relationship between migration and economic development. The case of Romania Subrata Ghatak, Monica Pop Silaghi - Interregional migration in Romania during transition	Chair: Helena Marques Discussant: Nuria Rodriguez Discussant: Helena Marques Discussant: Simona Poladian Discussant: Helena Marques
13.00-14.00	Lunch	
14.00-15.30	Session no. 4 - Economic growth an development Juliane Brach - Constraints to Economic Development and Growth in the Middle East and North Africa Willy Spanjers - The Asian Crisis and Macroeconomic Development: The Impact of Ambiguity Monica Pop Silaghi, Simona Mașca Șerbu- The causal relationship between foreign direct investments, foreign trade and economic growth in Romania Fabienne Ilzkovitz, Adriaan Dierx, Olivia Galgau, Karolina Leib - Trade Performance and Structural Competitiveness Developments in the Euro Area: Are Member States Equipped to Meet The Globalization Challenges of the 21 st Century?	Chair: Willy Spanjers Discussant: Rodrigo Zeidan Discussant: Juliane Brach Discussant: Marcin Kolasa Discussant: Mariana Slavin
15.30-16.00	Coffee break	
16.00 - 17.30	Session no. 5- Integration Agnes Ghibutiu, Simona Poladian - Global trade Integration, Services Offshoring and the New EU Member States Mariana Slavin- Challenges on EU tax policy under globalisation	Chair: Alexandra Horobet Discussant: Alexandra Horobet Discussant: Ming-Wen Hu

Alexandra Horobet- On Risk perceptions of Romanian companies: a survey of Practices

Discussant: Olivia Galgau

17.30 - 18.00

Coffee break

18.00 - 19.00

Keynote lecture

Nauro Campos, Brunnel University UK- Integration and reform in transition

20.00

Dinner

Sunday 19 october, 2008

Excursion