



Recognizing the importance of coordinated actions between the countries of the region, not only among themselves but also in particular with the EC and the U.S., the Center for Transatlantic Relations at Johns Hopkins University SAIS plans to launch the Southeast European Economic Forum as a framework in which senior officials, financial and business leaders and experts operating in Southeast Europe can discuss issues particular to the region, with a view to boosting economic development and business opportunity.

Fiscal policies, legislation affecting trade, loans, and business will also be discussed. We believe the Economic Forum can offer synergies for the region while keeping international economic, financial and political leaders engaged.

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## Agenda

March 26 - 28, 2012 | Center for Transatlantic Relations, SAIS, Washington D.C.

**MARCH  
26TH  
2012**

Gala dinner

**MARCH  
27TH  
2012**

Opening remarks:  
Dan Hamilton

09:30 am -  
10:30 am

EU – instruments for boosting economy in the South  
East Europe

10:30 am -  
11:30 am

Keynote speaker:  
Senior US official

12:00 pm -  
13:00 pm

Fiscal policies and commercial banks – monopoly or  
partnership? How to boost cash flow for SME's?

13:00 pm -  
14:30 pm

lunch break

Keynote speaker:  
Senior EU official

14:30 pm -  
15:30 pm

Privatization – attracting foreign investments?  
Government's role

15:30 pm -  
16:30 pm

What works? Best business practice models in the South  
East Europe

17:00 pm -  
18:30 pm

Regional Economic Cooperation: Croatia in EU –  
opportunity for the region or trade obstacle?

19:00 pm

Closing remarks

20:00 pm

Cocktail reception (Guest of honor address)

**MARCH  
28TH  
2012**

10:00 am -  
12:00 pm

Economic opportunities arising from changes in North  
Africa