

## Prospects for EU-Ukraine Economic Relations



The newest CASE Report "[Prospects for EU-Ukraine Economic Relations](#)," assesses the question of „if, how and when” Ukraine will further integrate economically with the EU. Edited by **Małgorzata Jakubiak** and **Anna Kolesnichenko**, the report focuses on economic policy options that will be relevant to Ukraine in the next five to ten years. The report is the result of a collaborative effort between CASE and CASE Ukraine experts.

It was publicized during in Kyiv on December 1<sup>st</sup>. The event was generously sponsored by Pekao SA and CEI's Know-How exchange program. Future presentations are planned in Brussels and Berlin in the coming months.



## "Economics, not politics is Central Europe's biggest problem,"

writes **Anders Aslund** in an op-ed article for the Financial Times (Nov. 8th). Aslund is a Senior Fellow at the Peterson Institute for International Economics and Chairman of the CASE Advisory Council. Click on the link below to read the article which compares the economic performance of Central European countries with the countries of Western Europe, the Baltics and the former USSR: [Economics, not Politics is C. Europe's biggest problem](#)

## Forthcoming book: Europe after Enlargement

In May 2007, Cambridge University Press will publish a book containing a collection of papers from CASE's most recent international conference held in Warsaw in 2005. In the book, economists and analysts from around the world discuss the new European Constitution, European finances and the Euro, the need to boost economic growth, competition in both new member states and Eastern countries, EU's European Neighbourhood Policy and long-term economic integration in Eurasia.



The book will include essays by:

- **Charles Wyplosz**, who argues that enlargement and deepening are not substitutes but complements;
- **Vito Tanzi**, who questions the Keynesian foundation of the Growth and Stability Pact;
- **Daniel Gros**, who criticises the achievements within the Lisbon Agenda, and
- **Anders Aslund**, who claims that Russian and Ukrainian oligarchs differ little from US 'robber barons.'

Other contributors include: Georges de Menil, Fabrizio Coricelli, Patrick Lenain, Yegor T. Gaidar, Susanne Milcher, Ben Slay, Mark Collins, Johannes F. Linn, and David Tiomkin.

## CASE in Point

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Commentary and Analysis by CASE Experts

**Piotr Kozarzewski** contributed the first of these briefs, entitled "Russia and Belarus: A lesson in Market Economy." Click [\[here\]](#) to download his commentary on the Russia/Belarus oil dispute.

## Macedonia: Achieving Dynamic Growth

The [Blue Ribbon Report for Macedonia](#) identifies continued sluggish economic growth as the most pressing development problem in the country. The report reviews the economic situation of the country and provides a programme to accelerate the country's growth, to alleviate unemployment and to prepare the country for entry into the European Union.



The Blue Ribbon Commission was formed in the spring of 2005 by the UNDP in response to a request by the Government of Macedonia. The UNDP has established Blue Ribbon Commissions in several other transition countries under the leadership of Kalman Miszei, then Assistant Administrator and Regional Director of the UNDP Regional Bureau for Europe and CIS. The purpose of these Commissions is to produce "Blue Ribbon Reports" focusing on key development concerns, analysing these thoroughly, considering alternative policy solutions and then putting together a set of policy proposals that are given to the Government under consideration. CASE experts, Marek Dabrowski and Malgorzata Markiewicz, were members of the Blue Ribbon Commission for Macedonia.

## Understanding Reforms in Post-Communist Countries

Within the framework of the recently completed Global Development Network project, "Understanding Reform," the second volume of the monograph *Understanding Market Reforms* has been published by Palgrave Macmillan.

The chapter, [Russia, Political and Institutional Determinants of Economic Reforms](#), was written by **Marek Dabrowski**, **Irina Sinicina**, and **Rafal Antczak** of CASE with Vladimir Mau, Sergei Zhavoronkov and Konstantin Yanovskiy from the Institute of the Economy in Transition (IET).

The chapter entitled [Eastern and Central Europe and CIS: Regional Synthesis](#) was written by **Piotr Kozarzewski** and **Richard Woodward**.



More information about the book can be found at the [Palgrave Macmillan](#) site.

## Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs provides funding for 5 CASE projects



The Ministry funded these five short-term development assistance projects in which CASE experts, together with local partners, studied how to improve the business climate and infrastructure in **Belarus**, produced and presented a report on **Moldova**-EU trade relations, examined non-tariff barriers to trade in **Ukraine**, and helped train local government workers in **Georgia**. In addition, CASE experts worked on project which aimed to build the research and management capacity of economic NGOs in **Montenegro**, which was jointly funded by the Polish MFA and CIDA (the Canadian International Development Agency).

For more information, see CASE's [Projects](#) page.



## CASE's International Networking

CASE recently joined the FEMISE network of research institutions and universities undertaking socio-economic research on topics defined as a priority for the future of the Euro-Mediterranean region.

FEMISE seeks to ensure a detailed and independent follow-up of the economic partnership between Europe and the Mediterranean countries as well as to generate and intensify co-operation between researchers with the region. Established in 1997 and renewed by the European Commission in 2005, FEMISE includes members representing over 30 countries.

FEMISE is one of six international network in which CASE is active. See [www.femise.org](http://www.femise.org) for information.

Other external networks in which CASE participates are: ENEPRI, ARETT, EPIN, EFN and ERAWATCH. [See also: [external networks](#)]



## Stanisława Golinowska appointed to ECOSOC

Vice Chairwoman of CASE Council Stanisława Golinowska has been appointed to ECOSOC (United Nations Economic and Social Council) to serve as a member of the Committee for Development Policy from 2007 - 2009. Prof. Golinowska is one of the original founders of CASE. We congratulate her and wish her the best of luck!



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