

## Enlargement and the Future of Europe *Perspectives from Romania*

Wednesday, 13 March 2024  
- online event, Zoom -

### Agenda

14:30 - 14:40

Welcome speech

**Oana-Mihaela Mocanu**, Director General, European Institute of Romania

14:40 - 15:00

Romania's Constant Support for the Enlargement Process: A Proof of Investment in European Values

**Mihai Sebe**, Co-author of the Romanian chapter, TEPSA Book "Enlargement and the Future of Europe: Views from the Capitals", Head of European Affairs Department, European Institute of Romania, Lecturer at the University of Bucharest

**Eliza Vaş**, Co-author of the Romanian chapter, TEPSA Book "Enlargement and the Future of Europe: Views from the Capitals", Coordinator of Studies Unit, European Institute of Romania

15:00 - 15:30

Enlargement and the Future of Europe

**Kerry Longhurst**, Jean Monnet Professor at Collegium Civitas, Warsaw, Poland

**Miruna Butnaru-Troncotă**, PhD, Associate Professor at the National University of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania

**Yasen Georgiev**, Executive Director, Economic Policy Institute - EPI, Sofia, Bulgaria

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Comments, questions and answers

**Moderator: Michael Kaeding**, Honorary Board Member of the Trans European Policy Studies Association, Professor of European Integration and EU Politics at the University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany

\*Time zone: Bucharest time (EET)

*The event will be live streamed on [TEPSA's YouTube channel](#)*



The 6<sup>th</sup> edition of the book series “The Future of Europe: views from the Capitals”, flagship editorial project coordinated by TEPSA\*, highlights 41 national histories, policies, and corresponding public perceptions of European integration. The issue was coordinated by **Michael Kaeding**, **Johannes Pollak** and **Paul Schmidt** and it brings forward national perspectives (both from the EU’s member states, and the EU’s neighbouring countries) on the manner in which the EU’s enlargement process is perceived in the context of the geopolitical changes generated by the Russian military aggression against Ukraine.

The chapters have been authored by 60 experts from 41 European states. Moreover, the authors set forth a series of recommendations for their country’s approach towards the future of the enlargement policy. The chapter rendering Romania’s outlook has been written by **Mihai Sebe**, Head of the European Affairs Department, and **Eliza Vaş**, Coordinator of the Studies Unit, European Institute of Romania. In their article, they emphasise Romania’s steadfast support for the EU’s enlargement, and recommend the promotion of this process as a timely investment in upholding the European values.

The book has been published by Springer and it is available for purchase [here](#).

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