



Europa Club Live – Spezial

“15 years of EU membership of Bulgaria and Romania – taking stock”

25 May 2022, 10.00 – 13.00

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Agenda

10.00 – Welcome and introduction

- **Martin Selmayr**, Head of Representation, European Commission in Austria
- **Emil Hurezeanu**, Romanian Ambassador to Austria

10.10 – Panel 1: *“Bulgaria and Romania’s contribution to the European Union”*

- **Florina-Alina Padeanu**, State Counsellor for external relations and EU affairs, Chancellery of the Prime Minister of Romania
- **Atanas Pekanov**, Economist, Austrian Institute of Economic Research (WIFO), former Deputy Prime Minister for EU Funds Management of Bulgaria
- **Sebastian Schäffer**, Director, Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe (IDM)

11.30 – Break

11.40 – Panel 2: *“Rethinking European Integration: The consequences of the Russian war against Ukraine”*

- **Mihai Razvan Ungureanu**, Lecturer, Diplomatic Academy Vienna, former Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Romania
- **Velina Tchakarova**, Director, Austrian Institute for European and Security Policy (AIES)
- **Wolfgang Petritsch**, President, Austrian Institute for International Affairs (OIIP)
- **Olga Pindyuk**, Economist, Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (WIIW), country expert for Ukraine

Chair: **Paul Schmidt**, Secretary General, Austrian Society for European Politics

13.00 – Concluding remarks: **Albena Getova**, Chargée d’Affaires, Embassy of the Republic of Bulgaria in Austria