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DAY 1

Welcome remarks



Ágnes Hornung is Minister of State for Financial Affairs at the Ministry for National Economy in Hungary; she was appointed in October 2015. Previously she worked for three years at the Permanent Representation of Hungary to the EU: first as fiscal attaché and later as financial counsellor, Head of the ECOFIN Unit. From 2004 to 2012 she was tax assistant, tax senior assistant and between 2011 and 2012 a tax manager at PricewaterhouseCoopers Kft (PwC Hungary). She studied at Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Faculty of Law and Political Sciences where she graduated as lawyer; she also holds a degree of lawyereconomist from Corvinus University of Budapest.



Angel Gurría is OECD Secretary-General. He came to the OECD following a distinguished career in public service. As Mexico's Minister of Foreign Affairs from December 1994 to January 1998 he made dialogue and consensus-building one of the hallmarks of his approach to global issues. From January 1998 to December 2000, he was Mexico's Minister of Finance and Public Credit. As OECD Secretary-General, since June 2006, he has reinforced the OECD's role as a hub for global dialogue and debate on economic policy issues while pursuing internal modernisation and reform. Mr. Gurría holds a B.A. degree in Economics from UNAM, Mexico, and a M.A. degree in Economics from Leeds University, United Kingdom.

Keynote discussion



Catherine L. Mann is OECD Chief Economist, Head of the Economics Department and the OECD G20 Finance Deputy.

Following 20-plus years in Washington DC, she was the Rosenberg Professor of Global Finance at Brandeis University and from 1997-2011 was a Senior Fellow and visiting Fellow at the Peterson Institute for International Economics. Earlier Ms. Mann served as a Senior International Economist at the US President's Council of Economic Advisors and worked as a Special Assistant to the Vice-President for Development Economics/Chief Economist at the World Bank. She spent 13 years on the Federal Reserve Board as a Senior Economist.

She is a US citizen and holds a PhD in Economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and a Bachelor's Degree in Economics from Harvard University. She has authored or co-authored seven books, 60 articles, and numerous shorter pieces and testimony. She frequently appears on Bloomberg, CNBC, and public broadcasting, and has been quoted in Businessweek and The Economist. She has delivered key-note speeches and engaged in projects on technology and policy in numerous countries ranging from China, South Africa, Tunisia and Vietnam to Australia, Finland, France, and Germany, among others.

Her research spans two main topics – global imbalances and globalisation of technology and services.



Karolina Ekholm is State Secretary at the Swedish Ministry of Finance with responsibility for economic policy and international issues. She has previously served as deputy governor of the Swedish Central Bank. Ms. Ekholm is Professor in Economics at Stockholm University. Her research has primarily focused on the effects of globalization.

High-level policy panel



Mihály Varga is Minister for National Economy. He spearheaded Hungary's economic transformation in the postcrisis period, focusing first on re-igniting economic growth and recently on promoting innovation driven expansion.

He is the Minister for National Economy since 2013. Formerly, he was Minister without Portfolio responsible for liaising with certain international financial organizations (2012-2013). In 2010, he worked as State Secretary of the Prime Minister's Office. In 2001-2002, he was appointed Minister of Finance, after he had served as Parliamentary State Secretary of the Ministry of Finance in 1998-2000. He has been Member of the Parliament ever since 1990.

In 1989, Mr Varga graduated from the Karl Marx University of Economic Science of Budapest. Since 1997, he has been serving as Vice-President of the Hungarian - Kazakh Friendship Society. In 2000, he was awarded the membership of the Order of the Knights of St. John. In 2001 he became presbyter of the Reformed Church of Karcag and a member of the Rákóczi Association. He holds the title of honorary professorship of the College of Management in Szolnok. In October 2015, he was named by Euromoney as Finance Minister of the Year in the Central and Eastern European region.



Gemma Tetlow is Economics Correspondent at the Financial Times, based in London. Before joining the Financial Times, she spent 11 years at the Institute for Fiscal Studies - Britain's leading microeconomic research institute - where she led the Institute's work on public finances and pensions. She holds a PhD in economics from University College London and an MSc and BSc in economics from the University of Warwick.



Manuel Caldeira Cabral was appointed Minister of Economy of Portugal in November 2015. The Minister of Economy is responsible for strategy and policy aimed at economic growth and competitiveness. The Minister's main policy areas are: business law, enterprise and business support, innovation, internationalization of enterprises and promotion of trade, industry and investment, consumer protection, tourism, energy and geology.

Manuel Caldeira Cabral was Professor of Economy in University of Minho since 2004. He was a former member of Parliament since October 2015. He was columnist in the economic newspaper Jornal de Negócios since 2007.

In 2013 and 2014 he represented the Socialist Party in the negotiation of the partnership agreement between Portugal and the European Commission for the implementation of the European Structural and Investment Funds.

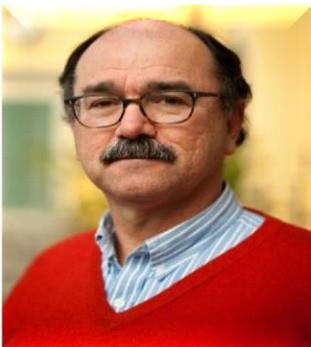
He was an invited researcher in the World Bank Department of Commerce Investigation and Economic Integration, in Washington D.C., in 2012. He was economic advisor to the Minister of State and Finance between 2009 and 2011 and economic advisor to the Minister of Economy and Innovation in 2009. He was

member of the Council for the Promotion of Internationalization (2010 and 2011) and member of the coordination network for EU's Europe 2020 Strategy (2010 and 2011).

He was expert evaluator of the Open Budget Questionnaire of East Timor (2010 to 2013) on behalf of International Budget Partnership. He worked in the cooperation program of the Foundation of Portuguese Universities in East Timor (in 2004 and 2007). He was researcher of the Economy Department of Nottingham University during his PhD and advisor to the Economy Department of University of Minho until he finished his PhD.

He was advisor to the Portuguese Insurers Association (1991-1992).

While he was studying, he worked as a journalist in *Diário Económico* and *Semanário Económico* (1988-1991).



Bernard Hoekman is Professor, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, European University Institute in Florence, Italy where he directs research on global economics. He is a Research Fellow of the Centre for Economic Policy Research, a Senior Associate of the Economic Research Forum for the Arab countries, Turkey and Iran and a member of the World Economic Forum Global Future Council on International Trade and Investment. He has held various positions in the World Bank including Director of the International Trade Department and Research Manager for International Trade, and was a GATT Secretariat staff member during the Uruguay Round negotiations. He holds a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Michigan.



Lamia Kamal-Chaoui is the Director of the Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Local Development and Tourism (CFE). This includes the Local Employment and Economic Development (LEED) Programme, the Regional Development Policy Committee and its Working Parties on urban policy, rural policy, and territorial indicators, the Roundtable of Mayors and Ministers and the Champion Mayors for Inclusive Growth Initiative, the Working Party on SMEs and Entrepreneurship, and the Tourism Committee.

She previously served as a Senior Advisor to the Secretary-General, supporting the OECD's strategic agenda, notably related to inequalities and climate change. Her responsibilities also included the coordination of the OECD Inclusive Growth initiative, the Knowledge-Sharing Alliance programme, the implementation of the OECD Strategy on Development and relationships with philanthropic foundations. Prior to working in the Cabinet, she was Head of the Urban Programme for more than ten years, advising national and local governments on issues related to governance, social inclusion, climate change and green growth and initiated the OECD Roundtable of Mayors and Ministers on urban development. She has also held other positions at the OECD in the Public Governance and Territorial Development Directorate, the Trade Directorate and the Financial and Enterprises Affairs Directorate. Ms. Kamal-Chaoui is a member of several International Committees and Advisory Boards and teaches "Governing Large Cities" at Sciences Po, Paris. She has a Master in Macro Economics from the University of Paris Dauphine and a Master in Foreign Languages in Paris Diderot University.



Peter Kažimír is serving his second consecutive term as finance minister after being reappointed in March 2016 for four more years (until 2020). In 2006, Mr. Kažimír was appointed State Secretary of the Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic. In this period, he was also a Chairman of the Supervisory Board at the National Nuclear Fund. From 2010 to 2012, he was a Member of Parliament and Vice-Chairman of the Finance and Budget Committee. Mr. Kažimír was three times elected Member of Parliament and since 2010 he has been also the Vice-Chairman of Social Democrats (SMER-SD).



Philipp Steinberg is Director General of the Economic Policy Division at the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy, Berlin. Before this appointment he was Chief of Staff of the Minister, Head of Unit of the Economic and Financial Policy Section and Special Advisor to the Chairman at the Headquarters of the Social Democratic Party of Germany. Before entering the public service, Mr. Steinberg worked as Attorney-at-law at Gleiss Lutz Rechtsanwälte, Frankfurt/Berlin and Research Assistant at the Walter Hallstein-Institute for European Constitutional Law, Humboldt-University Berlin. Mr. Steinberg is trained lawyer and holds a Ph.D. from Humboldt-University.



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Francisco Monge currently works as Deputy Director General of the Ministry of Foreign Trade of Costa Rica. At the Ministry, he has also worked as Coordinator of North America Affairs, Coordinator of WTO Affairs and Head of the Ministry's Trade Analysis Unit, and has led several research initiatives on Global Value Chains. He led the market access negotiations for the Association Agreement between Central America and the European Union, the Free Trade Agreement between Costa Rica and China, and the Free Trade Agreement between Costa Rica and Singapore. He served since 2009 as Professor of International Trade at the School of Public Administration of the Universidad de Costa Rica. He earned both his Ph.D in Development Economics and his M.A. in Economics from the Ohio State University. He was awarded by the Department of Agricultural, Environmental and Development Economics of the Ohio State University both the 2007 *Best Dissertation Award* and the 2006 *Bernie Erven Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award*. He has published on topics such as global value chains, trade liberalization, development banking and trade policy.



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Juan Carluccio is a Senior Research Economist with the Microeconomic and Structural Analysis Division at Banque de France and a Reader with the University of Surrey. His main research interests are in the fields of international trade and multinational firms. He holds a PhD in Economics from the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (EHESS, Paris) and Paris School of Economics.



Balazs Muraközy is the director of the Firms, Strategy and Performance Research Group at the Research Center for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Balázs received his PhD from the Central European University in 2008. His research interest is centered on applied IO, international trade as well as regulation and competition policy. His work was published among others by the Journal of International Economics and the Canadian Economic Review. He also spent time as visiting researcher at UC Davis, IFW Kiel and the University of Nottingham. He has won the large “Lendület” grant from the Hungarian Academy of Sciences in 2013.

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Stefan Profit holds the position of a Deputy Director General in the Economic Policy Department of the German Federal Ministry of Economic Affairs and Energy. His directorate deals with macroeconomic developments, economic analyses and projections. Before assuming this position, he was in charge of a unit focusing on the empirical research in the field of inclusive growth, productivity and investment, as well as assessing growth and distributional effects of structural reforms. During previous assignments in the ministry, he worked in the field of labor market reform and energy policy, foreign economic affairs, policy planning, and served as a personal advisor to the Minister. Previous to his engagement within the federal government he worked for the Bertelsmann Foundation. He has an academic background in labor economics holding a doctoral degree in Economics from Humboldt University Berlin.



Jonathan Timmis works within the Structural Policy Division of the OECD Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation. His work at the OECD focuses on the link between the changing structure of Global Value Chains and the impact on firm productivity, which will form a key contribution to the Global Forum on Productivity. Prior to joining the OECD in 2016, he has been an Overseas Development Institute Fellow and a Junior Fellow of the Royal Economic Society. He holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Nottingham (UK), where his research analysed the impact of ICT on firm performance and trade.



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Carlo Altomonte is Professor of Economics of European Integration at Bocconi University and a Non Resident Fellow at Bruegel, a EU think tank. He has held visiting programmes on Economics of European Integration, among others, at the Paris School of Economics (Panthéon-Sorbonne, Paris, France), NYU, Korean Business School and Keio University (Tokyo). He has been regularly acting as consultant for a number of national and international institutions, including the Italian Government, the United Nations (UNCTAD), the European Parliament, the European Commission and the European Central Bank, analysing the role of international trade and investment and their implication for competitiveness. His main areas of research and publication are international trade and investment, the political economy of globalization and its implication on competitiveness. He has published in several leading academic journals, among which Journal of Industrial Economics, European Economic Review, Economic Policy, International Journal of Industrial Organization, Journal of Economic Geography, Journal of International Business Studies, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics.

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Natália P. Monteiro holds a PhD in Economics (2004) from the University of Warwick, United Kingdom. Currently, she is an assistant professor at the Department of Economics of Minho University. Her research is mainly empirical on labor and industrial economics. She has published in Journal of Economics and Management, Labour Economics and Oxford Economic Papers.



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Key points from the parallel sessions



László Balogh is Deputy State Secretary, responsible for Financial Policy Affairs at the Ministry for National Economy (January 2014-). He is member of the EU and the OECD Economic Policy Committees, and the Financial Stability Board's Regional Group in Europe. Formerly he was working with the Hungarian Financial Supervisory Authority (HFSA) at the post of Vice President, responsible for Supervisory Policy, Risk Analysis, Regulation, International Affairs and Financial Consumer Policy, (2010-2013). He also had a supervisory background from an earlier time, he was Managing Director at the HFSA, between 2001 and 2004. He spent more than five years at Magyar Nemzeti Bank as Senior Advisor in International Affairs (2005-2010), dealing mostly with EU and payment system issues. Back in 2001 he was appointed Government Commissioner for Anti Money Laundering Policy, to coordinate the reform of the Hungarian AML regime until 2013. He spent most of the 1990's in Paris first as Counselor (1991-1993), then Minister Plenipotentiary, Negotiator in Chief for Hungary's OECD Accession, (1994-1996) and later as Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Hungary to the OECD, (1996-1999).

DAY 2

Keynote address



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Giuseppe Nicoletti has been heading since 2004 the Structural Policy Analysis Division at the OECD Economics Department, where he is in charge of cross-country structural studies, including the Productivity Workstream, and shares responsibility for running the Global Forum on Productivity. He previously worked as senior economist at the OECD and at the Italian Antitrust Authority. He has published extensively on both refereed journals and volumes on the influence of policies and institutions on the determinants of growth and productivity. He holds a Ph. D. in Economics from New York University.



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Prior to joining the OECD, between June 2011 and July 2013, Mr Pereira was Minister for Economy & Employment in Portugal, responsible for the areas of Industry, Commerce and Services, Tourism, Energy and Public Works, Transportation, and Employment. As one of the largest ministries of the Portuguese government, Mr Pereira was in charge of a major programme of economic and labour reforms. Prior to this, he was a professor of Economic Development and Economic Policy at Simon Fraser University in Canada, and a lecturer at the University of British Columbia in Canada and the University of York in the United Kingdom.

Mr. Pereira published a number of academic books and papers among which “Portugal’s Moment of Truth: New Economic Policy for Portugal (2011), The Fear of Failure: History and Economic Policy in Portugal (2009), and The Myths of the Portuguese Economy (2007), and was a columnist in various Portuguese Newspapers, such as the “Diário Económico”.

Mr. Pereira is a citizen of Portugal and Canada, holds a BA in Economics from the University of Coimbra, an MSc Economics from the University of Exeter and a PhD in Economics from Simon Fraser University.



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Rudiger Ahrend is Head of the Urban Programme in the OECD Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Local Development, and Tourism. In this capacity, he has been supervising numerous urban projects, for example on metropolitan development and governance, urban productivity, land use, housing, green growth, urban transport, and national urban policies. He has also supervised numerous reviews and case studies of major metropolitan agglomerations, and is the main author of "The Metropolitan Century: Understanding Urbanisation and its Consequences". As Head of the Urban Programme, Dr Ahrend is also in charge of the OECD Working Party on Urban Policies, as well as the OECD Roundtable of Mayors and Ministers.

At the OECD, where he started as an official in 2002, Dr Ahrend worked as a Senior Economist in the OECD's Economic Department. Prior to joining OECD, he worked as a researcher and independent consultant. In addition to his work on OECD countries, he has extensively worked on Russia and other emerging economies. In addition to his OECD work, Dr Ahrend has published widely, both in academic journals and newspapers.

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László Turóczy is deputy state secretary of Hungary's Ministry for National Economy, responsible for economic planning and competitiveness; in this capacity, Mr. Turóczy heads the secretariat of the recently established National Competitiveness Council of Hungary. Graduated from the Budapest University of Economic Sciences and Public Administration, he joined the Ministry of Economy in 2001, where he has held various positions ever since and has been involved in a broad range of macro- and micro-economic analytical work and structural policy issues (including innovation and competitiveness enhancing policies). He has been responsible for Hungary's annual National Reform Programmes and the programming of Hungary's economic, innovation and territorial development operational programmes for the 2014 to 2020 period. For more than a decade, Mr. Turóczy was member of the EU's Economic Policy Committee as well as the OECD's Working Party 1 for Macro-economic and Structural Policy.



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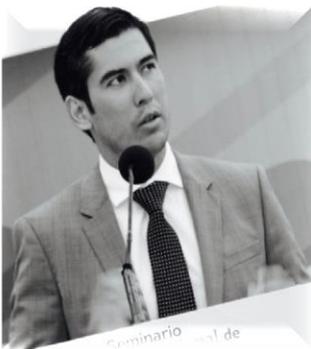
Murray Sherwin was appointed Chair of the newly created New Zealand Productivity Commission in November 2010. The Commission – an independent Crown entity – conducts in-depth inquiry reports on topics selected by the Government, carries out productivity-related research, and promotes understanding of productivity issues.

Murray's previous appointments include: Chief Executive and Director General of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry; Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand; member of the Board of Executive Directors of the World Bank; and member of the Prime Minister's Advisory Group.

His other current roles include: Chair, Strategic Risk and Resilience Panel – advising the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet on national risk issues; and Chair, Innovation Partnership – a group of private and public sector entities supporting smart use of internet technology.



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Mary Veronica Tovšak Pleterski, European Commission, Director ECFIN/B. Before joining DG ECFIN as Director ECFIN/B (Investment, growth and structural reforms) on 16 July 2016, Mrs Mary Veronica TOVŠAK PLETERSKI held the position of director for European and international carbon markets at DG CLIMA. She joined the European Commission in September 2009 where she held the position of Principal Advisor to Fabio Colasanti, Director-General DG INFSO, now DG CNECT.



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Key points from the parallel sessions and overall take-home messages



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Patrick Lenain is Assistant Director and Head of Division in the Economics Department of the OECD, who leads a team of OECD economists who provide economic advice to the governments of Australia, Costa Rica, Iceland, Mexico, Norway and United States. . This advice is based on empirical research and econometric tools applied to households and firm-level surveys and uses administrative tax and social records. He is also an Adjunct Professor of Economics at Université de Paris-Est, where he teaches macroeconomic policy and research methodology. Before joining the OECD, he had a career of 15 years at the IMF. He has also served as senior advisor to the French Treasury and the European Commission.



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