



# The European Semester in Central and Eastern Europe: *does Europe matter for Bulgarian and Hungarian social partners?*

**Roundtable - Programme**  
Sofia, 28th May 2019 – 1.30 pm – 3.30 pm

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**Venue:** CITUB-building, Macedonia Sq. 1, Sofia, Hall Asia, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.

**12.15 – 1.30 pm** Lunch

**1.30 – 3.30**

Moderator: **Bart Vanhercke** – European Social Observatory – OSE

- Welcome address, **Chavdar Hristov** – Vice President, Confederation of Independent Trade Unions of Bulgaria – CITUB
- ‘What Europe says matters’: the European Semester as a catalyst to overcome national social dialogue blockages? Case study Bulgaria, **Lyuben Tomev** – ISTUR
- Squeezed out from the policy-making processes? The European Semester in a context of weakened social partnership, Case study Hungary, **Fruzsina Albert** – Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Centre for Social Sciences – MTA TK
- Panel discussion introduced by:
  - **Dimitar Brankov** – Vice President of the Bulgarian Industrial Association – BIA
  - **Marina Kirova** – European Semester Officer, European Commission Representation in Bulgaria
- General debate

**3.30**

**End of the Workshop**

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## Practical information:

**Venue:** CITUB-building, Macedonia Sq. 1, Sofia, Hall Asia, 2nd floor

**Simultaneous interpretation:** English and Bulgarian

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