

Portfolio Budapest Economic Forum 2025 program

Registration

I. Opening session - Economic Outlook from Leading Experts

Where do Hungary and the world stand as we head into 2026? What are the most pressing challenges today, and what answers can be given to them? What do the best- and worst-case scenarios look like?

Moderator: Krisztina Bombera, CEO, CauseArt Platform

08:30 - 09:00 Presentation

Speaker:

Márton Nagy, Minister for National Economy of Hungary, Government of Hungary

09:00 - 09:25 The economics of the new world disorder

Speaker:

Harold James, Professor of History and International Affairs, Princeton University

09:25 - 09:50 Presentation

Speaker:

Jan Mischke, Partner, McKinsey Global Institute

10:00 - 10:25 Presentation

Speaker:

Zsolt Hernádi, Chairman and CEO, MOL

10:25 - 10:50 Presentation

Speaker:

Péter Csányi, CEO, OTP Bank

11:00 - 11:10 KPMG CEO Outlook 2025

Speaker:

Rezső Rózsai, CEO, KPMG

Kávészünet

II/A. Session - How Are Businesses Preparing?

How do Hungarian companies see the near future? What are the key challenges they face today, and how are they responding? If financing is available, why is investment activity still weak?

Moderator: Krisztina Bombera, CEO, CauseArt Platform

11:30 - 11:55 Future of Manufacturing

Speaker:

Daniel Küpper, Managing Director and Senior Partner, Boston Consulting Group

11:55 - 12:55 Corporate Outlooks and Possibilities

Moderator: **Viktor Nagy**, Senior Analyst, Portfolio

Conversation participants:

dr. György Bacsá, MOL Hungary - CEO, MOL Group - SVP Strategy and Business Development

Tibor Rékasi, Chief Executive Officer and member of the Board of Directors, Magyar Telekom

Rezső Rózsa, CEO, KPMG

József Vida, President, Opus Global Nyrt.

II/B. Session - Investments and Economic Prospects

Moderator: Károly Beke, Analyst, Portfolio

11:30 - 12:10 Cities through a business lens: the engines of the Hungarian economy

Moderator: **Károly Beke**, Analyst, Portfolio

Conversation participants:

András Cser-Palkovics, Mayor of Székesfehérvár, Székesfehérvár Megyei Jogú Város Önkormányzata

dr. László Papp, polgármester, Debrecen Megyei Jogú Város

Bence Pintér, Mayor, Győr

12:10 - 13:00 “The Hungarian Patient” – What is the Diagnosis for the Ailments of the Hungarian Economy?

Moderator: **István Madár**, Senior Analyst, Portfolio

Conversation participants:

dr. Gábor Regős, Chief Economist, Gránit Alapkezelő

Gergely Tardos, Director, OTP Bank

Mariann Trippon, Senior Analyst, CIB Bank

Péter Virovác, Lead analyst, ING Bank

Lunch Break & Networking

III. Session - Markets and the Economy

What can banks do to help revitalise the economy? Hungarian companies are eager to grow, but financing is needed – will it be available? Economists on the Hungarian economy: overtaking in a curve or taking a wrong turn?

Moderator: Krisztina Bombera, CEO, CauseArt Platform

13:40 - 14:00 Monetary policy outlook

Speaker:

Ádám Banai PhD, MRICS, Executive director for monetary policy instruments, financial stability and foreign reserve management, Magyar Nemzeti Bank

14:00 - 14:30 The great energy-sector trilemma: can it be green, stable, and affordable at the same time?

Moderator: **Zoltán Bán**, CEO, Net Média (Portfolio Group)

Conversation participants:

Zsolt Jamniczky, Deputy CEO, E.ON Hungary Group

Károly Mátrai, CEO, MVM Group

14:30 - 14:45 EIB's new priorities, initiatives and impact

Speaker:

Manuel Dueñas, Head of Division, Public Sector in Central and South Eastern Europe, EIB

14:45 - 14:55 SME's Funding Opportunities

Speaker:

Ádám Balog, Member of the Board, MKIK

14:55 - 15:45 Small Hungarian companies could grow, but where will the funding come from?

Moderator: **István Palkó**, Senior Analyst, Portfolio

Conversation participants:

dr. Zoltán Bánfi, CEO, Board Member, MKIK Tőkealap-kezelő Zrt.

dr. Adrienn Berta, CEO, EXIM Magyarország

Ildikó Ginzer, Deputy CEO for Standard Business Services, MBH Bank

Richárd Szabados, State Secretary for SME Development and Technology,
Ministry of National Economy

István Attila Szabó, Chairman-CEO, Garantika

15:45 - 16:00 Market challenges, strategic responses from the development bank's toolkit

Speaker:

Zsolt Kovács, elnök-vezérigazgató, MFB

III/B. Szekció

Investment and the labour market: are they connected? Who will work in Hungary and at what cost if the labour pool is exhausted? What alternative corporate financing options exist?

Moderator: Kata Tóth, Conference project leader, Portfolio

14:00 - 14:20 What could emerge from the currently chaotic world economy?

Speaker:

Krisztián Orbán, Founder, Managing Partner, Oriens

14:20 - 15:10 The regional presence of Hungarian companies: trade, export, labour market

Moderator: **Krisztina Bogdán**, Head of Corporate Finance, Credit Management Group

Conversation participants:

Sándor Baja, Managing Director Czech, Hungary, Romania, Randstad Hungary Kft.

Zsolt Barna, CEO, Waberer's Group

László András Kovács, Chief Financial Officer, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Richter Gedeon

Gábor Ormosy, CEO, AutoWallis Group

Ottó Sinkó, Co-CEO, Videoton Holding plc.

15:10 - 16:00 The world and Hungary through the eyes of professional financial investors

Moderator: **Áron Vidovszky**,

Conversation participants:

Dániel Móricz, Investment Director, Hold Alapkezelő

Tamás Móró, Chief Strategist, Concorde Securities

dr. Péter Oszkó, Chairman of the Board, O3 Partners

IV. Szekció: Újra együtt

16:00 - 16:50 Bankvezéri kerekasztal

Moderator: **Zoltán Bán**, CEO, Net Média (Portfolio Group)

Conversation participants:

László Bencsik, Deputy-CEO, OTP Bank

Ádám Egerszegi, Deputy CEO for Transformation, MBH Bank

Éva Hegedüs, Vice President and CEO, Gránit Bank

Radován Jelasity, Chairman, Chairman of the Board of Directors, CEO, Hungarian Banking Association, Erste Bank Hungary

Peter Roebben, CEO, K&H Group

16:50 - 17:30 Panel Discussion: Where is Hungary heading, according to economists?

Moderator: **István Madár**, Senior Analyst, Portfolio

Conversation participants:

Péter Ákos Bod, professor, Budapesti Corvinus Egyetem

Zoltán Kurali, CEO, Government Debt Management Agency

Prof. György Surányi, Fmr. President of the National Bank of Hungary,
Professor of Finance

Viktor Zsiday, Portfolio Manager, Hold Alapkezelő Zrt., Citadella Származtatott
Befektetési Alap

Champagne toast & Networking