

# **Risky Business?**

Assessing Political Economic and Technological Risk Perceptions of Relations between the People's Republic of China and Hungary

## CONFERENCE

9 September 2022

Hungary and the People's Republic of China (PRC) have been working closely together for over a decade to improve their political and economic relationship. Politicians on both sides have been eager to promote bilateral cooperation in the fields of economics, politics and cultural affairs as well. Having spent a decade in the China-CEE Cooperation (the 16+1 mechanism) it is due time to assess the results of Sino-Hungarian ties with a special focus on sensitive issues like public and elite perceptions of China in Hungary, China's involvement in Hungary's critical infrastructure, China's image in the Hungarian media, and China's presence in higher education.

The conference presents the results of the research project conducted by the Central and Eastern European Center for Asian Studies which aimed at gathering as accurate and factual quantitative and qualitative data as possible about the PRC's presence and activities in the above-mentioned fields in Hungary and at drawing a picture of the current status and results of Sino-Hungarian cooperation.

Venue: Faculty Club of Corvinus University, Main Building

### Programme

9:00-9:05 Opening Remarks

#### <u>9:05-9:45 – China in the Hungarian media</u>

Dr. Tamás Matura, Corvinus University of Budapest, Hungary Ben Dubow, President & CTO, Omelas, United States

#### 9:45-10:30 – China's image in Hungary and CEE

András Bartók, National University of Public Service, Hungary Dr. Ivana Karaskova, AMO, Czech Republic Q&A

#### 10:30-11:00 – Coffee break

### <u>11:00-11:45 – China's image in the Hungarian elite and in Poland</u> Máté Mátyás, Corvinus University of Budapest, Hungary Alicja Bachulska, War Studies University, Poland

<u>11:45-12:30 – China's role in Hungary's critical infrastructure</u> Tünde Lendvai, National University of Public Service, Hungary Dr. András Tóth, Institute of Cyber Security, Hungary

12:30-13:00 China's role in CEE higher education Adam Kalivoda, CEIAS, Slovakia Q&A

