



## **Hungary: a pioneer or rebel?**

### **Reflections on Hungary's future in the EU and the role played by Viktor Orbán in it**

Joint event between Republikon NextGen\* and CEU Debate Society

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Many see that Viktor Orbán's anti-Brussels narratives are leading Hungary away from the EU. As the government goes against the EU's core ideas, using a national narrative as a cover, so can Hungary's place is becoming more ambivalent. But what if, Viktor Orbán knows the narrative of the future, what if he is only a pioneer who dares to go against Brussels? He was one of the firsts to endorse Trump, he was one of the most anti-refugee politicians, closing his country and now we can see Trump elected and anti-refugee voices rising elsewhere else well. Based on these ideas, how will Hungary's place change in the EU, will it change? Is Hungary being judged or rather followed? Can the government go along with its policies without any consequences?

**Location: CEU Nádor utca 15, N106**

**Date: Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> December 2016**

17.45-18.00 Registration

18.00 – 18.10 Opening speeches

- Gyuris Dóra – Republikon Institute
- Balázs Dezsényi - Executive committee member of CEU Debate society
- Borbély Réka – CEU student, Republikon intern

18.15 – 19.00 Speakers' speeches

- Dr Balázs Péter – CEU, director of Center for European Neighbourhood Studies
- Dr. Fehér M. Zoltán - Europe Varietas Insititute strategic director
- Dr Ádány Tamás – PPKE Law School, international lawyer

19.00 – 19.30 Q&A and debate

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Participation on the conference is free of charge.

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