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## HOMECOMING FORUM 2008

Saturday, April 19, 2008  
Hungarian Embassy, Washington DC  
3910 Shoemaker Street, NW, 20008

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| 9:00 – 9:30          | Arrival and registration  |
| <b>9:30 – 11:00</b>  | Opening remarks by <b>Dr. Ferenc Somogyi</b> , Ambassador of Hungary to the United States<br><br>Introductions by <b>Dr. Sandor Vegh</b> , President, HungarianAmerica Foundation<br><br>Keynote address – <i>The Small Business Innovation Research</i><br><b>Dr. Charles W. Wessner</b> , Director of Technology, Innovation and Entrepreneurship, National Academies<br><br>Presentation – <i>Supporting Innovation and Entrepreneurship</i><br><b>Dr. Michel Israël</b> , Science Counselor, Embassy of France<br><br>Presentation – <i>The 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme – A Toolkit for Opportunities</i><br><b>Dr. Astrid-Christina Koch</b> , Counselor for Science, Technology and Education, Delegation of the European Commission |
| 11:00 – 11:15        | Coffee Break  |
| <b>11:15 – 12:45</b> | Presentation – <i>Prospects for Returning Young Hungarian Professionals</i><br><b>Dr. Norbert Babcsan</b> , Business Development Manager, Bay Zoltan Foundation for Applied Research, Hungary<br><br>Presentation – <i>How can You Cross the Atlantic?</i><br><b>Dr. Zsombor Lacza</b> , Director of the Technology Transfer Office, Semmelweis University, Hungary<br><br>Presentation – <i>Careful Transition: Getting into Business (Science) in Hungary</i><br><b>Dr. Janos Nacsá</b> , Scientific Adviser, HumanCell MCC, Hungary  |
| 12:45 – 13:45        | Lunch   |
| <b>13:45 – 16:00</b> | General discussion, brief reports, stakeholder introductions  |
| 19:00                | Reception (Kossuth House)   |
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