



# FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT IN CEE

## Legal Measures to Protect National Interests



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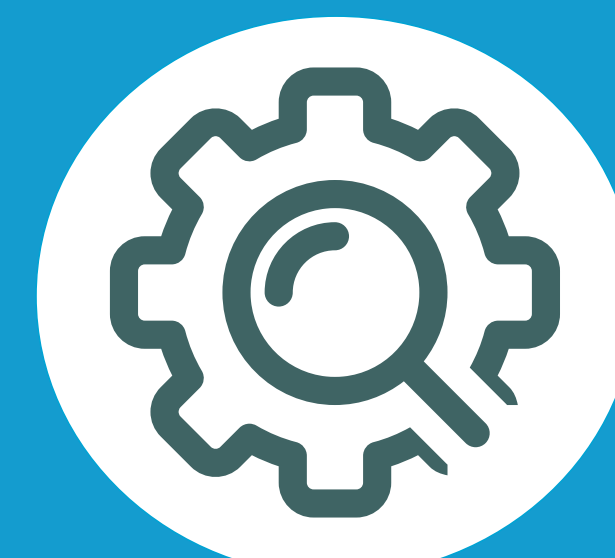
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### RESEARCH PERIOD

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### METHOD

Comparative Law  
(Comparing different  
approaches in  
different jurisdictions)



### STATUS QUO

- The rise of nationalist tendencies worldwide has led to a plethora of new restrictive measures targeted at FDI to protect local interests
- The EU Regulation 2019/452 is designed to improve the coordination of national FDI screening procedures in order to protect critical infrastructures and knowledge
- There are hardly any current academic studies on the legal situation in Europe and even less on the situation in CEE

Due to the dynamic developments in this area and the consequences of the COVID-19 crisis, a critical and transnational analysis is urgently needed



### OBJECTIVES

- ... to find qualitative explanations as to why the issue of control of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), in core industries is not perceived as very urgent in some CEE countries
- ... to analyse whether the introduction of Regulation (EU) 2019/452 to establish a framework for FDI screening and/or recent experiences due to COVID-19 as game changers (will) lead to increased use of these instruments in CEE countries, and
- ... to close the existing gap in legal research by providing a comparative legal analysis of the current changes of the legal bases for the protection of local interests in selected CEE countries



### INTENDED RESEARCH RESULTS

#### First Part

In the first part of the project, the project team currently prepares country reports based on a uniform questionnaire, in order to present, analyze and interpret the respective legal situation

#### Second Part

Based on these results, in the second part of the project, similarities and differences will be examined in the form of a comparative publication

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