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A dinner discussion with Thomas Mirow (President of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development). To be held on Tuesday, November 25th, 2008, at Macquarie Group, Citypoint, 1 Ropemaker St, London, EC2Y 9HD, at 7pm for 7.30pm.

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Thomas Mirow took office on July 3 as the fifth president of the EBRD, replacing Jean Lemierre who stepped down at the end of two full four-year terms.

Set up in 1991 to bring market economics and democracy to the countries from Central and Eastern Europe to Central Asia, the EBRD has built 17 years of experience in helping to strengthen economies and promoting entrepreneurialism.

All the while, the Bank's mandate has been changing. Mr Mirow assumed the presidency as the Bank started shifting the focus of its activities further east and south-east in line with the requirements of the region and at a time when EBRD nations are facing the dual challenges of global economic slowdown and rising inflation because of spiralling food and fuel prices. "Especially now the EBRD is needed as a stabilising influence in uncertain times", Mr Mirow said when he took office.

Prior to his EBRD appointment, Mr Mirow served as State Secretary at the Federal Finance Ministry in Berlin, and before that he was director-general for economic policy in the Chancellery. Way back when, he was *chef de cabinet* to Willy Brandt. Clearly a man of parts, and we are delighted that – with help from Andreas Meyer-Schwickerath at the British Chamber of Commerce in Germany and the ubiquitous David Marsh – we have been able to convince him to share his thoughts with us at a robust CSFI-type dinner. Thanks, too, to Macquarie Group for agreeing to host the event.

Would you be able to join us? If you can make it, please let us know as soon as possible by contacting the Centre on 020 7493 0173 or by emailing nicole@csfi.org.uk.

Many thanks,

Andrew Hilton

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