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central focus is on the issues that policymakers in central Europe face as they craft macroeconomic and financial sector policies to help ensure growth that is both strong and sustainable, in a setting that may feature large and potentially volatile capital flows. It examines the competing pressures on these countries in the run-up to EU accession later, and monetary union.