

# **EU ENLARGEMENT AND THE ENVIRONMENT: Institutional Change and Environmental Policy in Central and Eastern Europe**

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"A most timely and provocative collection of studies... Challenging much conventional wisdom, this volume insightfully argues that EU enlargement eastward provides new opportunities for an overall rethinking of environmental policies and issues. Highly recommended to all those interested in the future of united Europe." -- Vladimir Tismaneanu, University of Maryland, College Park

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