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## THE FATE OF DEMOCRACY: GLOBAL CHALLENGE, LOCAL (NON)RESPONSES

Thursday, 14 November 2013  
Belgrade (Hotel "Metropol Palace")

- 9.30 Registration of participants
- 10.00 - 10.30 **Welcome speech**  
**Ten Years of Political Education and Confidence-Building in Serbia**  
Sonja Licht, President, Belgrade Fund for Political Excellence
- 10.30 - 12.30 **Can Democracy Exist without Trust and Choices? A conversation with:**  
Ivan Krastev, Chairman, Center for Liberal Strategies, Sofia  
Loukas Tsoukalis, President, Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP), Athens  
Piotr Switalski, Director, Directorate of Policy Planning, Council of Europe
- Moderator:* Ivan Vejvoda, Vice-President, German Marshall Fund of the United States, Washington DC
- 12.30 - 13.00 Coffee break
- 13.00 - 14.30 **The Socio-economic Transition and Institutional Crises**  
Sonja Lokar, Executive Director, CEE Network for Gender Issues, Ljubljana  
Istvan Gyarmati, President and CEO, International Center for Democratic Transition, Budapest  
Kori Udovički, Director, Center for Advanced Economic Studies, Belgrade  
Ilir Deda, Executive Director, Kosovar Institute for Policy Research and Development (KIPRED), Pristina
- Moderator:* Maja Piščević, Executive Director, American Chamber of Commerce, Belgrade
- 14.30 - 15.30 Lunch
- 15.30 - 17.00 **Politicians and Citizens**  
Žarko Puhovski, Professor, Faculty of Philosophy, Zagreb University  
Goran Svilanović, Secretary General, Regional Cooperation Council, Sarajevo  
Selmo Cikotić, Dean, American University in Bosnia Herzegovina; former Minister of Defense of BiH, Sarajevo  
Pavol Demeš, Senior Fellow, German Marshall Fund of the United States, Bratislava
- Moderator:* Sonja Licht, President, BFPE



17.00 - 17.30 Coffee break

17.30 - 19.00 **Media and the Public**

Remzi Lani, Executive Director, Albanian Media Institute, Tirana

Ljubica Gojgić, Author and Journalist, TV B92, Belgrade

Sašo Ordanoski, Director of Media and Public Affairs, VeVe Group, Skopje

Despina Syrri, President, Symbiosis; Department of Balkan Slavic and Oriental Studies,  
University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki

*Moderator:* Bojan Brkić, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, News Program, Radio-Television of Serbia

19.00 **Conference Final Remarks**  
Sonja Licht, President, BFPE

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