Conference

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 Tsoukalas, 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 Ćikotić, Dean, American University in Bosnia Herzegovina; former Minister of Defense of BiH, Sarajevo
Pavol Demč, 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 Gojić, Author and Journalist, TV B92, Belgrade
Sašo Ordanoki, 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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