

Invitation

The Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP) and the Friedrich Ebert Foundation - Athens Office, would like to invite you to a public debate on:

Greek-Albanian relations: the findings from opinion polls in Greece and Albania

*The event will be held in English, on **Friday 20 December 2013**, from **10.00 to 13.00 hrs** at the offices of the Representation of the European Commission in Greece (Vas. Sofias 2).*

ELIAMEP recognizing the importance of Greek-Albanian relations has recently teamed up with the Albanian Institute for International Studies for conducting the first ever parallel opinion polls conducted in Albania and Greece. The opinion polls, made possible through the generous financial support of the Athens and Tirana offices of the Friedrich Ebert Foundation, measured attitudes regarding bilateral issues and other key questions of concern for the two countries. The findings of the two polls will be presented on Friday 20 December 2013 and will be discussed by experts from Greece and Albania and a select number of Greek and international policy makers, diplomats and opinion formers. The findings of the polls will generate fruitful discussion, not only on Greek-Albanian relations, but also on the process of Western Balkan accession to the European Union in the context of the Greek presidency.

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PROGRAMME

Introductory remarks:

Dr. Thanos Dokos, Director General, ELIAMEP

Mr. Christos Katsioulis, Director, FES

Dr. Albert Rakipi, Executive Director, Albanian Institute for International Studies

Presentation of the reports:

Dr. Ioannis Armakolas, 'Stavros Costopoulos' Research Fellow & Head of South-East Europe Programme, ELIAMEP

Mrs. Alba Cela, Deputy Director, Albanian Institute for International Studies

Roundtable discussion on the findings of the reports:

Dr. Lambros Baltiotis, Adjunct Lecturer, Panteion University

Mr. Remzi Lani, Executive Director, Albanian Media Institute

Mr. Piro Misha, Executive Director, Albanian Institute for Dialogue and Communication

Dr. Dimitris A. Sotiropoulos, Associate Professor, University of Athens & Senior Fellow, ELIAMEP

Closing Remarks

Dr. Ioannis Armakolas, 'Stavros Costopoulos' Research Fellow & Head of South-East Europe Programme, ELIAMEP