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Venue: Hyatt Regency Hotel
Milentija Popovica 5, 11070 Belgrad

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European Movement
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09:00 Opening

Peter JANKOWITSCH, Secretary General of the Austro-French Centre, Vienna

Dominique DAVID, Executive Director of IFRI (French Institute for International Relations), Paris

Andreas SCHIEDER, Secretary of State, Austrian Ministry of Finance, Vienna

Vuk JEREMIC, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia, Belgrade (t.b.c.)

Taking Stock

09:45 1st Panel: Internal Policy

Chair: Ivan VEJVODA, Executive Director, Balkan Trust for Democracy/German Marshall Fund, Belgrade

Srdjan CVIJIC, Expert on the Western Balkans—European Policy Centre (Policy Officer, Association of the Local Democracy Agencies), Bruxelles

“Serbia 2012: Preconditions for a Life in a ‘normal, boring’ Country”

Dejan DIMITRIJEVIC, Professor, University of Nice

“Memory and History in the Serbian Political Culture“

Gilles PERNET, Ministry of Defence, Department for Strategic Affairs, Paris

“Relations between Serbia and Kosovo since the Independence: Taking Stock and Perspectives”

Vladimir TODORIC, Director, Legal Forum of Serbia, Belgrade

“National and European Dilemmas”

10:45-11:00 Discussion

11:00-11:15 Coffee break

11:15 2nd Panel: Serbia’s Economic Development

Chair: Herbert CORDT, Cordt & Partner Management Consulting, Vienna

Radovan JELASIC, Governor, National Bank of Serbia

“How Serbia is Coping with the Crisis”

Roland WASS, Executive Director of Corporate Banking Division, Raiffeisen banka a.d., Belgrade

“Experience of Raiffeisen in Serbia, Impact of Economic Crisis”

Corinne FABRE, BKSH/Burson-Marsteller France, Director for Governmental Relations and International Lobbying, Paris

“An Opportunity for Serbia: Integration in big European Networks: Energy, Transports”

12:15-12:30 Discussion

12:30-14:00 Lunch-Bufferet



Hyatt Regency Hotel: Crystal-Ballroom



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Serbia's Environment

14:00 3rd Panel: External Relations

Chair: Xavier REY, Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs, Project Manager,
Forecasting Department, Paris

Milka TADIC MIJOVIC, Executive Director, 'Independent Weekly Monitor', Podgorica
"Montenegro and Serbia: Developments of Political Relations After Independence of Montenegro"

Prof. Sonja BJELETIC, Dean, Faculty of Administrative and European Studies, Podgorica
"Enhancement of Regional Economic Cooperation / CEFTA—Montenegro"

Arta SEITI, Researcher, Higher Military Education Centre for Study and Research (CEREM), Paris
"Serbia: Between Integration and Interaction"

Ivan VEJVODA, Executive Director, Balkan Trust for Democracy/German Marshall Fund, Belgrade
"Serbia and (Regional) EuroAtlanticism"

15:30-15:45 Discussion

15:45-16:00 Coffee break

16:00 4th Panel: Future Geostrategic Developments

Chair: H.E. Milan SIMURDIC, President of the Forum for International Relations of the European
Movement in Serbia (EMinS), Belgrade

Borut SUKLJE, Director, Agency for Strategic Studies Ljubljana, Suklje Consulting Belgrade
"Is the Balkan still interested in the EU?"

Edouard BESLAY, French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Deputy Director of the Department for the Balkans,
Paris
"Serbia and the EU: Serbia on the Path towards the EU-Accession?"

Stefan LEHNE, Political Director, Austrian Ministry for European and International Affairs, Vienna
"Kosovo -Status Process and Serbia's Role"

Jean-Arnault DERENS, Redactor-in-chief, 'Courrier des Balkans', Paris
"European Integration stumbles: What can the Balkans do?"

Zoran PETROVIC PIROCANAC, Centre for Geopolitical Studies South-East, Institute for Political Studies,
Belgrade
"Serbia and the new Security Architecture in South-East-Europe: Geostrategic, Political,
Transdanubian and European Perspectives"

17:45-18:00 Discussion

19:00 Cocktail-Reception

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H.E. Clemens Koja
Ambassador of Austria



H.E. Jean-François Terral
Ambassador of France

French Embassy
Ul. Gračanička 3, 11000 Belgrade

Serbia's Future and European Perspective

09:00 5th Panel: Challenges of Regional Relations and Cooperations

Chair: **Eliane MOSSE**, Counsellor, IFRI, Paris

Srdjan MILIC, President, Socialist People's Party, Podgorica

"Cooperation of European Regions in the Accession Process"

Vedran DZIHIC, Political Scientist, University of Vienna; Director of CEIS (Centre for European Integration Studies), Vienna

"Serbia's Europeanization as Strategy for Democracy: Possibilities and Limits in the Context of actual Changes within the EU and Regional Dilemmas"

Miroslav MILETIC, President of the Serbian Chamber of Commerce Members Assembly and Chief Executive Officer of the Confectionery Concern "Bambi-Banat", Belgrade

"SAA — New Perspectives for Economic Development, Action Plan of Improving Competitiveness?"

Marina GLAMOTCHAK, Researcher, Institute of Social Sciences (ISP) / CNRS /Nanterre—Paris X

"Economic Relations between Russia and Serbia and the Perspective of Serbia's European Integration"

10:30-10:45 Discussion

10:45-11:00 Coffee break

11:00 6th Panel: Challenges of EU-Accession

Chair: **Hedvig MORVAI-HORVAT**, Executive Director, European Fund for the Balkans, Belgrade

Laszlo VARGA, Chairman of the European Integrations Committee, National Assembly of Serbia, Belgrade

"European Integration of Serbia from the Aspect of the National Assembly"

Ksenija MILIVOJEVIC, Advisor to the Deputy Prime Minister for European Integration, Government of the Republic of Serbia, Belgrade

"The European Integration of Serbia — Regional and Global Overview"

Judy BATT, University of Birmingham, Deputy Director, Centre for Studies in Security and Diplomacy, Professor of Central and South-East European Politics, Centre for Russian and East European Politics

"Obstacles to Serbia's EU-Accession and how to tackle them"

Suzana GRUBJESIC, Head of G17 Plus Parliamentary Group, National Assembly, Belgrade

"Perspectives and Limitations of EU-Enlargement"

12:30-12.45 Discussion

12:45 Conclusion