CSOs: Open the Debate on Foreign Policy in Serbia

European Movement in Serbia and the Center for Foreign Policy, supported by 16 more civil society organizations, presented yesterday the New Foreign Policy Initiative, calling for a consensus over Serbia’s foreign policy standing and international position.

The 4 key points of the Initiative include the normalization of relations between Belgrade and Pristina, a boost to Serbia’s EU accession, development of good neighborly relations across the region, and advancement of cooperation with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The Center for Foreign Policy president Dragan Đukanović said that the goal of the
initiative was to point to critical things to be done to improve Serbia’s foreign policy. “A consensus is required over certain issues. It is necessary to open a debate on the country’s foreign policy,” Đukanović explained.

Secretary General of the European Movement in Serbia, Suzana Grubješić, underlined that Serbia was a deeply divided society with a serious lack of consensus over key foreign policy issues.

Belgrade Security Forum 2019: Striving for Justice in a Divided World

The Ninth Belgrade Security Forum will take place in Belgrade on October 16-18, 2019 under the title: Striving for Justice in a Divided World.

This year, we at Belgrade Security Forum – same as so many around the world – seek justice as a basic human need and ask whether it is achievable in a world that has become this polarized.

Our quest comes at a time of crises of leadership; with nations confounded by threats now labeled as “hybrid”; but also continued crisis of the liberal model; uneven growth and rising inequality; demographic crisis; migration; the impact of climate change and the urgent need for action. Wider trends unfold in a context marked by increasing global competition (and confrontation), between the West and the East, the North and the South, but also

Expert Forum in the Hague: Albania-Serbia relations: the way forward for regional stability and integration

Joint Center for Albania and Serbia Realtions marked the fourth year of successful work at the gathering of young people, students, journalists, experts and decision makers from both countries in dialogue and cooperation on improvement bilateral relations, cultural connections and breakdowns of misconceptions and prejudice.

Forum of experts titled Albania-Serbia relations: the way forward for regional stability and integration was organized within the scope of the Centre’s activities in January at the Hague Center for Strategic Studies in the Hague.

Ms. Jelica Minić, President of the Forum for international relations and Mr. Igor Novaković from the ISAC Fund represented Serbia, while Ms. Ilda Zulali,
internally, as “populist tide” shows no sign of receding. If the Trump phenomenon has further divided the USA, Brexit poses a similar challenge to the European Union, which will either find new strength, or face decline.

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Advisor to the President of Albania came from Tirana. The Joint Center for Albania and Serbia Relations was founded by the Forum for international relations European Movement in Serbia (EMinS) and the Albanian Institute for International Studies (AIIS).

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Kosovo*-Serbia Policy Advocacy Group represent a consortium of think tanks and NGOs who strongly believe in the process of normalisation of relations between Kosovo and Serbia. We were brought together by a shared energy to renew support for the deteriorating dialogue when there was little civil society interest in such initiatives. Our individual and joint efforts synergise to create innovative approaches to sustain the dialogue and transform the narrative for the public.

The project is supported by the European Union and Royal Norwegian Embassy.

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Central European Free Trade Agreement 2006 aims to re-establish and build economic and trade relations among WB countries themselves.

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