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Managing Diversity in the Post-Conflict Western Balkans: Multiculturalism, Multiethnicity, and Europeanization *International Conference*

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Friday, June 24, 2011

- 09:00 **Opening Remarks**
Faton Bislimi, Kosovo Public Policy Center, Prishtina, Kosovo
TBA, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Prishtina, Kosovo
- 09:30 – 10:00 **Welcome Address**
Hajdin Abazi, Deputy Minister of Culture, Youth, and Sports, Government of Kosovo
- 10:00 – 11:30 **Keynote Speakers**
Dr. Aidan Hehir, University of Westminster, London, UK
Dr. Joe Coelho, Seton Hill University, Greensburg, PA, USA
- 11:30 – 12:30 **Lunch**
- 12:30 – 14:30 **Session One - Democracies in Diverse Societies**
Chair: Besa Luzha, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Prishtina, Kosovo
- The complementary and supplementary paths of the political reformation process for the EU integration and of the process of the multiethnic state-building in the South-Eastern Europe.*
Veton Latifi, South Eastern European University, Tetovo, Macedonia
- Dealing with minorities in post-conflict societies*
Theresa Song Loong, Radboud University, Nijmegen, The Netherlands
- Europeanization as a solution to managing diversity in the post-conflict Western Balkans*
Elona Bano, Marin Barleti University, Tirana, Albania
- Perceptions of political and social circumstances and the role of leaders on tolerance among citizens*
Marijana Markovik and Eleonora Serafimovksa, Institute for Social, Political, and Juridical Research, Skopje, Macedonia
- 14:30 – 15:00 **Coffee Break**

15:00 – 16:30

Session Two

Chair: Dr. Besnik Bislimi, American University in Kosovo

Change the outgroup other into the ingroup partner: On the Albanian-Serb relations

Jing Ke, Beijing Foreign Studies University, Beijing, China

Regulatory harmonization as a way forward to Europeanization

Dr. Diana Lamani, Dr. Manjola Naco, and Dr. Lindita Milo (Lati), University of Tirana, Tirana, Albania

Competition policies and challenges towards Europeanization – The case of Albania

Dr. Servete Gruda and Pajtim Melani, Albanian Competition Authority, Tirana, Albania

Albanian financial system towards Europeanization

Dr. Albana Hashorva, University of Tirana, Dr. Servete Gruda, Albanian Competition Authority, Dr. Engjell Pere, European Tirana University, Tirana, Albania

19:30

Dinner

(for conference presenters and special invitees)

Saturday, June 25, 2011

09:00 – 09:30

Keynote Address

Dr. Finn Laursen, Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS, Canada

Dr. Ibrahim Gashi, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Government of Kosovo

09:30 – 11:00

Special Session on Democracy and Diversity with Members of the Assembly of Kosovo

Chair: Besa Luzha, FES-Prishtina

Mr. Ahmet Isufi, MP, AAK

Ms. Flora Brovina, MP, PDK

Ms. Lirije Kajtazi, MP, LDK

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TBA, MP, AKR

11:00 – 11:30

Coffee Break

11:30 – 13:00

Session Three

Chair: Dr. Veton Latifi, South East European University, Tetovo, Macedonia

Changing philosophical reflections about concepts and reality in ethnically and culturally diverse societies

Hajdin Abazi, Victory University College, Prishtina, Kosovo

The Europeanization of the Macedonian national identity

Dr. Stojan Slaveski and Atanas Kozarev, European University, Skopje, Macedonia

Europeanization and International State-Building in Kosovo

Faton Bislimi, Dalhousie University, Halifax, NS, Canada

Television culture of Albanian families in the Tetovo-Gostivar area; reflection of cultural diversity through the screen

Lindita Kadriu, South Eastern European University, Tetovo, Macedonia

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch

14:00 – 16:00

Session Four

Chair: Rob Gulick, Kosovo Public Policy Center

Conflict at the Interface: National Divisions, Class Inequalities and Hegemonic Struggles in Northern Ireland and Kosovo

Herbert Preiss, Austrian Study Centre for Peace and Conflict Resolution, Stadtschlaining, Austria

Is protest participation in post-Yugoslav countries motivated by pro-democratic political culture? A cross-national study

Dr. Marina Tavčar Krajnc, Dr. Sergej Flere, and Andrej Kirbiš, University of Maribor, Maribor, Slovenia

Humans out of sight: Stateless Roma in the EU 1990 – 2010

Nermin Allam, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, Canada

The visa liberalization process in the case of Kosovo: a public opinion perspective

Atdhe Hetemi, Research and Policy Unit, UNDP Kosovo, Prishtina, Kosovo

16:00 – 16:30

Coffee Break

16:30 - 18:30

Session Five

Chair: Faton Bislimi, Kosovo Public Policy Center

Skopje 2014 – Musealizing the city, reinventing history?

Michael Kubiena, Sabanci University, Istanbul, Turkey

Diversity and identity in a bilingual situation – The status of Macedonian students in the region of Korca

Arsinela Xharo and Anyla Saraci, Fan S. Noli University of Korca, Korca, Albania

Peace-building in Kosovo and the narrow narrative of multiculturalism

Elisa Randazzo and Pol Barges Pedreny, University of Westminster, London, UK

Multiculturalism in Macedonia: An ideographic analysis of the EU and Macedonia discourses

Linda Ziberi, Bowling Green State University, Ohio, USA

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