

# The Balkans Dialogue

Conflict Resolution and EU Accession Politics in the Balkans and Turkey

Dear participant,

We sincerely welcome you to join The Balkans Dialogue Conference. The knowledge, expertise and active engagement that you will be sharing will greatly contribute to the depth and breadth of this important event. Please find the following information to assist you with final preparation and orientation.

## ■ Date and venue

The conference will be held between 8–9 February 2013 in Budapest at Kodolányi János University of Applied Sciences, Budapest Campus (Budapest, Frangepán utca 50–56) 4<sup>th</sup> floor, room 401.



## ■ Registration & participation guidelines

The registration will begin at 8:00 in the morning of Friday 8 February. Registration fees are required to be paid during the registration in case of selecting payment in cash. Conference material and name tag will be given to you at the registration. It is suggested to arrive in time in order to follow the scheduled opening session at 9:00.

We request our speakers to bring 2 copies of full paper OR handout printed. Hard copies of the papers or handouts can be found later at the information desk where you can borrow them to read during the programme. Please read and return the paper you have selected as promptly as possible to make them available to all participants.

We are working to a very tight schedule so punctuality is extremely important. We expect you to be on time so that sessions can start promptly and enough time is left for discussion.

## ■ Conference agenda & information

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The registration fee of The Balkans Dialogue conference is 60 euro for speakers. Registration fee includes one copy of conference materials, unlimited tea/coffee and refreshments during the 2 days of conference and participation at the private dinner for speakers (lunch is not included). The price does not include public transport and accommodation fees.

The event will last for two days and is divided into sessions (see the program document). Keynote speakers will give 30-minutes lectures followed by 10-minutes Q&A. Guest speakers will get maximum 15 minutes for presentation. Each session contains 15-20 minutes Q&A and discussion.

A few minutes before the start of each session the moderator will invite all speakers to take a seat on the stage. The conference will be opened by the moderator who will introduce the speakers on stage. Speakers from each session will be on stage together, enabling interaction with each other and with the listeners.

You are requested to arrive at the conference room 20 minutes before the opening of your session, in order to the event not to be delayed.

The conference language is English. No translation services will be available.

Participants are expected to dress smart casual during the programme.

## ■ Presentation

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Due to the number of speakers and conference schedule Guest Speakers are required to hold their presentation within a 15-minutes timeframe.

PowerPoint and Prezi presentation software can be used.

## ■ Paper deadlines

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Sending of full papers or handout: 1 February 2013 (NOTE: Abstracts or handout will be published on Conference DVD in case of lack of full papers.)

Final deadline for sending full papers in order to publish in Conference Book (pdf): 15 April 2013.

## ■ Visa

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Please visit the following website to get information about your visa easily:

<http://konzuliszolgalat.kormany.hu/how-to-apply-for-visa>

## ■ Transportation

From Liszt Ferenc Airport:

- There are different ways to get to the conference location from the airport. There are several taxis which can take you directly to the conference location in 30-40 minutes (price usually varies between 12-15 euro).
- The transport from Liszt Ferenc Budapest Airport to the conference location is also simple by using public transport and takes about 70-90 minutes. At the airport take bus 200E to Kőbánya-Kispest Metro station (last stop). Change to underground nr.3 and get off at Lehel tér (13 stops). At Lehel tér get on tram 14 to Frangepán utca (6 stops).

From main railway and bus terminals:

- From Déli Railway Terminal or Keleti Railway Terminal take the underground nr.2 to Deák tér and change here to underground nr.3. and get off at Lehel tér (13 stops). At Lehel tér get on tram 14 to Frangepán utca (6 stops).
- From Nyugati Railway Terminal and Népliget Central Bus Terminal take underground nr.3 and get off at Lehel tér (13 stops). At Lehel tér get on tram 14 to Frangepán utca (6 stops).

## ■ Suggested accommodations

- Low budget tourist hotel:  
Hotel Góliát \* (20€ per night)  
Location: 1135 Budapest, Kerekes utca 12–20  
Phone: +36 1 350 1456  
Web: <http://gerandhotels.hu/index.php?oldal=goliath>
- Mid-range comfort hotel:  
Fortuna Hotel \*\*\* (31 € per night)  
Location: 1097 Budapest, Gyáli út 3/B  
Phone: +36 1 215 0660  
Web: <http://hotelfortunabudapest.hu>
- First class hotel:  
Casa Sol Apartment Hotel \*\*\*\*  
1082 Budapest, Baross utca 108  
Phone: +36 1 210 5427  
Web: <http://www.casasol.hu>

Please indicate us whether you choose accommodation from the recommended hotels until 25 January 2013.

### ■ Private dinner

The closing event of the first day will be a private dinner for our speakers held at Orchidea English-Hungarian Bilingual School (ORCHIDEA Magyar-Angol Két Tanítási Nyelvű Általános Iskola és Gimnázium, 1105 Budapest, Cserkesz utca 10–14.) We kindly invite you to join this event organised by our sponsors. The dinner is due at 20:30 on Friday 8 February.

Please find the tentative agenda and list of presenters in attachment.

Please note that the schedule is subject to change.

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### ■ Locations

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Budapest, Frangepán utca 50–56, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, room 401

Orchidea English-Hungarian Bilingual School:

Budapest, Cserkesz utca 10–14



## List of presenters and sessions

### ■ The Role of the European Union; Pre-Accession Strategies (13:50 – 15:25 Friday)

**Dr. Edit Lórinzné Bencze:** *The new phase of the integration process: Croatia's accession*

**Cedric Pulliam:** *Reconstruction of the Balkans Region: A Research Study of the Future of European Integration of Bosnia-Herzegovina and Serbia*

**Özden Melis Uluğ:** *"Turkey should solve its Kurdish conflict first": The impact of the EU on the Kurdish conflict in Turkey*

**Yılmaz Kaplan:** *Regional or global European Union? Turkish membership as a test*

**Didar Erdinç & Emilia Zankina:** *Only an EU Apart: Bulgarian-Turkish Economic and Political Relations in the Post-Accession period*

### ■ International Conflict Resolution; Border Disputes I. (15:45 – 17:20 Friday)

**Dr. Füsün Özerdem:** *Europeanisation as a Tool of Border Conflict Resolution*

**Saša Čvrlijak:** *Building the region through cooperation in the area of justice, freedom and security: the case of Western Balkans*

**Merve İnce:** *Turkish-Greek Relations: An Analysis of the Disputes between Turkey and Greece within the Framework of European Union*

**Dr. Ulvi Keser:** *The Mediterranean Security in the Light of Cyprus Issue and Turkish Cypriot-Greek Cypriot Relations*

**Murat Yümlü** (in absentia): *Post-Second World War Case of Conflict Resolution: Question of Trieste*

**Fidan Karimli:** *The Impact of International Mediation on the Armenian-Azerbaijani Conflict*

### ■ National and Ethnic Minority Question; Ethnic and Social Issues I. (17:40 – 18:55 Friday)

**Andreea Andrada Vişan & Ana-Adina Vişelaru:** *The social model and the economic security in Europe*

**Lea Prijon:** *Instabilities in Slovenian Society: Towards the Past or the future?*

**Xhylla Çeliku & Prof. Dr. Fehari Ramadani:** *The Ohrid Framework Agreement as a preventive document for the stability of Macedonia*

**Solveiga Inokaitytė:** *Kosovo's territorial dependence reflection in Serbian political parties discourses*

### ■ Legal problems of international relations; International Law Issues (08:45 – 10:20 Saturday)

**Stefano Braghiroli & Irena Fiket:** *Brussels is well worth a Mass: Assessing the impact of EU-sponsored legislation on minority rights in the Western Balkans*

**Ida Orzechowska:** *The activities of the ICTY as an intervening variable in the EU enlargement processes in the Western Balkan region*

**Melih Uğraş Erol:** *Violated Human Rights and Freedoms near the EU: Analysing the Turkish Alevi Community's Human Rights Position in the Process of EU Accession*

**Ekrem Eddy Güzeldere:** *The Greeks of Istanbul and EU harmonization*

**Claire Griffith:** *Home Sweet Home?: The Right of Return in Post-War Bosnia and Herzegovina*

#### ■ **Interstate Relations and Diplomacy** (10:40 – 12:15 Saturday)

**Dr. Csaba Máté Sarnyai & Tibor Pap:** *The role of interpretation and discourse in the Serbian foreign relations in the 2010's, with special regard to the EU and Russia*

**Dr. Emirhan Göral:** *A Neo-realist Analysis of Turkish Foreign Policy Towards Balkans*

**Gábor Fodor:** *Turkey and the Armenian Question: 1915's perception in Turkey and around the world*

**Jānis Balodis:** *Cross border co-operation between Bulgaria and Turkey: example of Burgas and Kirkaleli region*

**Mladen Karadjoski:** *Cross-border cooperation between Macedonia and Greece as an instrument for good neighbourhood relations*

#### ■ **Regional Security Issues** (13:30 – 15:05 Saturday)

**Romina Beqiri:** *Witness Protection and European Security*

**Dr. Habil. Norbert Pap & József Négyesi:** *Hungarian role in the Western Balkan security issues*

**Ourania Dimitraki:** *The Cost for Peace: Military Expenditure and Economic Growth in Western Balkans*

**dr. Csaba Németh:** *About the current aspects of the EULEX Kosovo mission*

**Nicasia Picciano:** *The EU Common Security and Defence Policy Achilles' heel: North Kosovo*

#### ■ **National and Ethnic Minority Question; Ethnic and Social Issues II.** (15:30 – 16:45 Saturday)

**Lulzim Murtezani:** *Multicultural education as a reality: psychological premise*

**Prof. Dr. Arbër Çeliku & Prof. Dr. Vullnet Ameti:** *The learning of the other's language and cultural corpus, a premise for a successful interethnic communication in Macedonia*

**Faruk Ekmekci:** *Social trust, democracy, and the Kurdish issue in Turkey*

**Davut Han Aslan:** *Turkey's Kurdish Paradox under AKP: EU Processes versus Emerging Security Challenges*

#### ■ **International Conflict Resolution; Border Disputes II.** (17:05 – 18:20 Saturday)

**Konstantin Kolev:** *The Role of the EU in the Conflict Resolution in the Western Balkans. The case of Bosnia and Herzegovina*

**dr. Krisztina Juhász:** *The European Union's crisis management activity in Bosnia and Herzegovina*

**Edgár Dobos:** *When international intervention meets the local context: state-formation, ethnopolitics and local ownership in the Bosnian way*

**Viktor Milanov:** *The Bulgarian-Macedonian Conflict*

**Day 1**

Time	Mins	Session
0800-0900	60	Registration
0900-0930	30	Opening Session
0930-1000	30	Lecture by H.E. Gordan Grlić Radman
1000-1010	10	Q&A, discussion
1010-1020	10	Coffee, tea, refreshments
1020-1050	30	Lecture by <i>Ádám Petheő</i>
1050-1100	10	Q&A, discussion
1100-1110	10	Coffee, tea, refreshments
1110-1140	30	Lecture by H.E. <i>Željko Janjetović</i>
1140-1150	10	Q&A, discussion
1150-1300	70	Lunch
1300-1330	30	Lecture by H.E. <i>Darko Angelov</i>
1330-1340	10	Q&A, discussion
1340-1350	10	Coffee, tea, refreshments
1350-1505	75	Session 1. Role of the European Union; Pre-accession Strategies
1505-1525	20	Q&A, discussion
1525-1545	20	Coffee, tea, refreshments
1545-1700	75	Session 2. International Conflict Resolution; Border Disputes I.
1700-1720	20	Q&A, discussion
1720-1740	20	Coffee, tea, refreshments
1740-1840	60	Session 3. National and Ethnic Minority Question; Ethnic and Social Issues I.
1840-1855	15	Q&A, discussion
2030-		Private dinner for presenters

**Day2**

Time	Mins	Session
0800-0830	30	Lecture by H.E. <i>Ferenc Bösenbacher</i>
0830-0840	10	Q&A, discussion
0840-0845	5	Break
0845-1000	75	Session 4. Legal Problems of International Relations; International Law Issues
1000-1020	20	Q&A, discussion
1020-1040	20	Coffee, tea, refreshments
1040-1155	75	Session 5. Interstate Relations and Diplomacy
1155-1215	20	Q&A, discussion
1215-1330	75	Lunch
1330-1445	75	Session 6. Regional Security Issues
1445-1505	20	Q&A, discussion
1505-1530	25	Coffee, tea, refreshments
1530-1630	60	Session 7. National and Ethnic Minority Question; Ethnic and Social Issues II.
1630-1645	15	Q&A, discussion
1645-1705	20	Coffee, tea, refreshments
1705-1805	60	Session 8. International Conflict Resolution; Border Disputes II.
1805-1820	15	Q&A, discussion
1820-1835	15	Closing Session - ( <i>Ömer Bilal Almak</i> )

\*Lunch, Tea break time is subject to change due to the speeches' duration.