

Regional Cooperation Day

Agenda

organized by Regional Cooperation Council, Representation of the State of Baden-Württemberg to the European Union and the European Fund for the Balkans

Brussels, Wednesday, 6 May 2015

Venue: Representation of the State of Baden-Württemberg to the EU, Rue Belliard 60 – 62, 1040 Brussels

11.30-12.00 Registration and coffee

12.00-13.00 Balkan Barometer presentation

Johannes Jung, Head of the Representation of Baden-Württemberg, opening statement

Nenad Šebek, RCC spokesperson, moderator

Mirjana Agic-Molnar, Project Manager, GfK

Vladimir Gligorov, Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies

Fabrice de Kerchove, Project Manager, King Baudouin Foundation

Timur Kaymaz, Research Associate, TEPAV

Sanjin Arifagić, SEE 2020 Coordinator, Regional Cooperation Council

13.00-14.00 Lunch,
Exhibition of Ljubljana Process II – Rehabilitating our Common Heritage

14.00-14.30 Mini Concert – “Les femmes des Balkans”, RCC’s Music CD – Tamara Obrovac,
Amira Medunjanin, Biljana Krstić

High Level Conference on regional cooperation and enlargement in the Western Balkans

14.30 Opening statements

Johannes Jung, Head of the Representation of Baden-Württemberg, opening statement

Goran Svilanović, Secretary General, RCC, opening statement and moderator

14.40 Keynote speakers

Ditmir Bushati, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Albania, Chair-in-Office of SEECF

Johannes Hahn, Commissioner for European Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations, European Commission

Discussion and Q&A

15.10 – 16.10 Panel on enlargement, economic growth and governance

Moderator:

Dušan Reljić, SWP, Brussels Head of Office

Panellists:

Christian Danielsson, Director General DG NEAR, European Commission

David McAllister, Member of European Parliament

Ivo Vajgl, Member of European Parliament

Dimitar Tzanchev, Permanent Representative to the EU, Bulgaria, next CiO of the SEECP

Roksanda Ninčić, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Serbia

Nikola Poposki, Minister of Foreign Affairs, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Janis A. Emmanouilidis, Director of Studies, European Policy Center

Discussion and Q&A

16.10 – 16.30 Coffee break

16.30 – 17.30 Panel on enlargement and connectivity, links to Berlin process and the Vienna Conference

Moderator:

Hedvig Morvai, Head, European Fund for the Balkans

Panellists:

Jean-Eric Paquet, Director, Western Balkans, DG NEAR, European Commission

Ulrike Lunacek, Vice-President of the European Parliament

Eduard Kukan, Member of European Parliament

Joachim Bleicker, Director for Basic Issues of EU External Relations and Relations with EU Member States, Federal Foreign Office of Germany

*Hashim Thaçi, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Kosovo**

Igor Crnadak, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Florian Bieber, Coordinator BiEPAG, Director of the Centre for Southeast European Studies, University of Graz, Austria, presentation of BiEPAG paper

Discussion and Q&A

17.30 Closing statements

Igor Lukšić, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Montenegro

Andrej Plenković, Vice Chair of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Member of European Parliament

Andreas Brandstätter, Head of Stabilization and Association Process of EU and Western Balkans Unit, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Austria

18.00 Glass of wine

* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.