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USAID

Regional Conference Better Regulation and Competitiveness in Western Balkans

1 – 2 December 2016, Belgrade, Serbia

Venue: Hotel Zira, 35 Ruzveltova street

Thursday, 1 December 2016

08.30 – 09.00 Registration of Conference Participants / Refreshments, Hotel Zira, Belgrade

09.00 – 10.00 **Welcome and Introductory Remarks**

Representatives of ReSPA, USAID, RCC and IFC/World Bank

ReSPA: **Mr. Dražen Maravić**, Chair of ReSPA Governing Board at Senior Officials' level and Assistant Minister of the Ministry of Public Administration and Local Self-Government of the Republic of Serbia

USAID: **Ms. Laura Pavlović**, Director, Office of Democratic and Economic Growth at USAID Serbia

RCC: **Mr. Radu Cotici**, Expert on Governance for Growth, Public Administration Reform and Anticorruption

IFC/ World Bank: **Mrs. Andreja Marušić**, Global Lead for Business Environment at the World Bank Group's Trade and Competitiveness Global Practice

Session I - EU Perspective: Better Regulation in the Context of EU Accession

10.00 – 11.20 **Strengthening Better Regulation Process in the Context of EU Accession**

Key Note Speech: **Mr. Gregor Virant**

Speakers: **Mr. Witold Michalek, Mr. Krassen Stanchev, Ms. Renata Zatler, Mr. Nebojša Lazarević**

11.20 – 11.40 *Coffee break*

Session II - Better Regulation Trends in Western Balkans

11.40 – 13.00 **ReSPA Comparative Study on Better Regulation and Competitiveness in Western Balkans**

Presenters: **Mr. Branko Radulović** and **Mr. Genc Alimehmeti**

Moderated Discussion - Moderator: **Mr. Žarko Djuranović**

Discussants: **Mr. Ivan Radulović, Mr. Fatos Mustafa, Mrs. Selma Džihanović Gratz, Mrs. Gordana Opačić-Zečević**

13.00 – 13.45 *Lunch / Networking*

Session III – Improving Consultations in the Legislative Process

13.45 – 15:15 **Planning and Consultations within Governmental Institutions:
Best practices in the Western Balkans**

Speaker and Moderator: **Mrs. Kori Udovički**

Panelists: **Mrs. Rovena Voda, Mrs. Gordana Gapik Dimitrovska,
Ms. Mira Prokopijević, Mrs. Mirsada Jahić**

15.15 – 15.45 **Best practice: Inspections reform in Serbia – presentation**

Moderator: **Mrs. Tatjana Babac**

Presenters: **Ms. Dragana Stanojević, Mr. Milan Stefanović**

15.45 – 16.00 *Coffee break*

16:00 – 17:00 **Public - Private Dialogue (PPD) – Presentation of the USAID funded research
projects and Discussion on PPD efforts in the Western Balkans**

Moderator: **Ms. Meri Cuculoska**

Presenters: **Ms. Jelena Bojović, Mr. Goran Lazarevski, Ms. Albana Dhimitri**

17.00 – 17.15 **Concluding Remarks: Mrs. Kori Udovički and Ms. Meri Cuculoska**

18:30 *Bus departs in front of Hotel Zira to take participants for the Social Dinner*

19.00 – 21.00 Social Dinner / Networking Event – Skadarlija, Restaurant “Mali vrabac”
<http://www.malivrabac.rs/index.php/en/about-us>

21:00 *Bus departs from Skadarlija to Hotel Zira*

Friday, 2 December 2016

09.00 – 09.30 Welcome refreshments for Conference Participants, Hotel Zira, Belgrade

Session IV – Better Regulation and Competitiveness

09.30 – 10.30 View from the Private Sector – Presentations:

Introduction: **Mr. Aleksandar Djureinović**

Presenters: **Ms. Valentina Ivanić, Ms. Dragana Stanojević, Mrs. Amalija Pavić**

- RCC Balkan Business Barometer 2016
- USAID Business Enabling Project (BEP) Business Survey 2016 and trends
- AmCham Serbia – Fourth Lap Time Engage for Change 2016

10.30 – 11.00 *Coffee break*

11.00 – 12.30 **Panel Discussion: Improving Competitiveness through Better Regulation
Private Sector Contributions to Better Regulation Efforts –
Role of Business Associations**

Moderators: **Mrs. Amalija Pavić** and **Mr. Aleksandar Djureinović**

Discussants: **Mr. Marko Miročević, Ms. Violeta Čibukčić, Mr. Arian Zeka, Mr. Lorenc Gioni,
Ms. Vidosava Džagić, Ms. Dragana Stanojević**

12:30 – 12:45 **Conclusions and Plans for Regional Cooperation**

**Conclusions of the Conference and Proposals for Further Activities and
Regional Cooperation in Improving Better Regulation Efforts**

Concluding Remarks: Mrs. Amalija Pavić and Mrs. Zorana Gajić

12.45 – 14.00 *Lunch / Networking/ Farewell*

14:00 **End of the Conference**