

## Zagreb EU Pre-Presidency Conference

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## **THURSDAY, 28 NOVEMBER**

9:30-11:30

### **TEPSA Board Meeting**

11:30-12:30

### **Registration and Lunch**

12.30-12.45

### **Welcome and opening remarks**

- Velimir Neidhardt, President of the Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts - HAZU
- Sanja Tišma, Director of IRMO
- Jaap de Zwaan, Secretary General of TEPSA, Emeritus Professor, Erasmus University Rotterdam
- Türkan Karakurt, Director of Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Zagreb

12:45 -13.45

### **Plenary Session I: Priorities of Croatian EU Council Presidency**

- Keynote speaker: Andreja Metelko-Zgombić, State Secretary for European Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Republic of Croatia – MVEP
- Sabina Lange, Member of the TEPSA Board, European Institute of Public Administration, Maastricht, Recommendations for Croatian EU Presidency
- Debate with the keynote speaker
- Moderator: Višnja Samardžija, Emeritus Researcher, IRMO

13:45-15:15

### **Plenary Session II: The new EU institutional reality**

- Vladimir Drobnjak, Foreign Policy Advisor to the Croatian Prime Minister
- Jim Cloos, Deputy Director-General, General and Institutional Policy, General Secretariat of the EU Council of Ministers
- Michael Kaeding, Former Chairman of the TEPSA Board (2016-2019), Professor, University of Duisburg-Essen
- Moderator: Petr Kratochvíl, Member of the TEPSA Board, Professor, Senior Researcher, Institute of International Relations Prague

15:15-15:30

### **Coffee Break**

15.30 – 17.00

### **Parallel Session I**

#### **Topic 1: The prospects for EU enlargement on Western Balkans**

- Florent Marciacq, Senior Fellow, Centre International de Formation Européenne – CIFE, Nice
- Florian Bieber, Professor, Centre for South-Eastern European Studies, University of Graz
- Irena Rajchinovska Pandeva, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law Iustinianus Primus, University Ss. Cyril and Methodius, Skopje
- Moderator: Senada Šelo Šabić, Senior Research Associate, IRMO

**Topic 2: Challenges for the EU connectivity in its immediate neighbourhood and in Central Asia - energy security and sustainability (Panel organised in the framework of SEnECA project)**

- Maja Bakran Marcich, Deputy general director of DG MOVE - DG Mobility and Transport
- Sinikukka Saari, Senior Associate Analyst at the EU Institute for Security Studies – EUISS, Paris
- Alica Kizeková, Senior Researcher at the Institute of International Relations Prague
- Moderator: Ana Maria Boromisa, Research Advisor, IRMO

17:00-20:00 **TEPSA General Assembly**

20:30 **Conference Dinner (per invitation)**

**FRIDAY, 29 NOVEMBER**

9:00-10:30 **Parallel Sessions II**

**Topic 1: Future of the EMU and further enlargement of the Eurozone**

- Michael Faulend, Vice Governor at Croatian National Bank
- Iain Begg, Former Member of the TEPSA Board, Professor, London School of Economics – LSE
- Michele Chang, Member of the TEPSA Board, Professor, College of Europe, Bruges
- Ramunas Vilpisauskas, Professor, Vilnius University
- Moderator: Jakša Puljiz, Research Associate, IRMO

**Topic 2: Socio-demographic and migration aspects – towards balanced EU development**

- Adriaan Schout, Senior Research Fellow and Coordinator Europe, Clingendael Institute, The Hague
- Jaap de Zwaan, Secretary General of TEPSA, Professor, Erasmus University Rotterdam
- Carmen González Enríquez, Senior Analyst, Elcano Royal Institute, Madrid
- Ivan Rimac, Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb
- Moderator: Hrvoje Butković, Senior Research Associate, IRMO

10:30-10:45 **Coffee Break**

10:45-12:45

**Plenary session III: Future of the EU: is differentiated integration a good answer to Euroscepticism? (Panel organised in the framework of the InDivEU project)**

- John Stevens, UK Federal Trust, London
- Frank Schimmelfennig, Member of the TEPSA Board, Professor and Head of European Politics Group, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology – ETH, Zürich
- Dr. Funda Tekin, Member of the TEPSA Board, Director of the Institut für Europäische Politik - IEP, Berlin, Project Director, Centre of Turkey and European Union Studies - CETEUS, University of Cologne
- Juha Jokela, Member of the TEPSA Board, Programme Director, Finnish Institute of International Affairs – FIIA, Helsinki
  
- Moderator: Paul Schmidt, Austrian Society for European Politics - ÖGfE, Vienna

12:45-13:00

**Closing and concluding remarks** by Lucia Mokrá, TEPSA Chairperson, Professor, Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences, Comenius University in Bratislava

13:00

**Farewell buffet lunch**

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