



Regional Student Conference

Migration in the Balkans: Common Security Challenges and Ways to Cope with the Prolonged Crisis

PROGRAMME

05. – 07.06.2016

Skopje and Gevgelija



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Sunday, 05.06.2016

- 12:00 Arrival and check-in of the Participants from Greece
Ibis Skopje City Center Hotel
Orce Nikolov 55, Skopje
Tel: + 389 2 3123 700
- 12:30 Lunch
Restaurant *Marriott*
City Square, Skopje
- 14:00 Organized Transfer to the Faculty for Security-Skopje
- 14:20 – 14:30 Registration of the Participants
- 14:30 – 15:00 Official Opening of the Conference
- Johannes D. Rey**
Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Skopje
- Susanna Vogt**
Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Athens
- Prof. Oliver Bacanovic**
Dean of the Faculty of Security – Skopje
- Moderator: Prof. Rade Rajkovcevski*
Faculty of Security – Skopje
- 15:00 – 15:30 Coffee Break
- 15:30 – 17:30 Students Workshops organized in 4 different Topic/Modules
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Module 1: Challenges in the Implementation of the EU-Turkey Agreement

Facilitator:

Prof. Alexandra Prodromidou, CITY College
Thessaloniki, University of Sheffield International
Faculty

Module 2: Fostering Intergovernmental Cooperation between two States for Coping with Common Security Challenges

Facilitator:

Prof. Rade Rajkovcevski, Faculty of Security –
Skopje

Module 3: The refugee experience in the Balkans in a historic perspective

Facilitator:

Prof. Vemund Aarbakke, Aristotelian
University of Thessaloniki

Module 4: Balkan vs. European Models of Refugee and Migrants' Integration – Dealing with Religious and Cultural Differences

Facilitator:

Prof. Zhidas Daskalovski, Faculty of Security
– Skopje

Module 5: Other Side of Migrant and Refugee Crisis - Migrants as Victims of Criminal Acts

Facilitator:

Prof. Nikola Dujovski, Faculty of Security –
Skopje

17:30 – 18:00

Tour around University Campus



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- 18:00 Departure to the Hotel
- 19:30 Dinner of the Group
Restaurant *Bella Vista*, Kej 13 Noemvri, Skopje

Monday, 06.06.2016

- 09:00 Organized Transfer to the Faculty for Security-
Skopje

- 09:30 – 11:30 SESSION I

Introduction and Moderation:

Prof. Nikola Dujovski

Faculty of Security – Skopje

PERCEPTION OF THE MIGRATION CRISIS
ISSUES THROUGH SECURITY CROSS-BORDER
COOPERATION

Prof. Rade Rajkovcevski, Faculty of Security –
Skopje

GREEK EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES
RELATED TO THE REFUGEE CRISIS

Prof. Vemund Aarbakke, Aristotelian
University of Thessaloniki

ADDRESSING THE CHALLENGES OF THE
PROLONGED REFUGEE/MIGRATION CRISIS
THROUGH REGIONAL NGO COOPERATION ON
THE BALKANS

Martina Smilevska, NGO MYLA

HUMANITARIAN CHALLENGES AT THE
BORDERS: TRAFFICKING AND SMUGGLING

Maria Nakasian, NGO Metadrasi

Discussion



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11:30 - 12:00

Coffee Break

12:00 – 14:00

SESSION II

Introduction and Moderation:

Prof. Rade Rajkovcevski

Faculty of Security – Skopje

CROSS-BORDER COOPERATION MIGRATION
AND REFUGEE CRISIS MANAGEMENT

Prof. Nikola Dujovski, Faculty of Security -
Skopje

THE MIGRANT CRISIS IN GREECE AFTER THE
EU-TURKEY AGREEMENT

Prof. Alexandra Prodromidou, CITY College
Thessaloniki, University of Sheffield International
Faculty

SECURITY, REFUGEES AND
MULTICULTURALISM: POSSIBILITIES FOR
COOPERATION BETWEEN MACEDONIA AND
GREECE

Prof. Zhidas Daskalovski, Faculty of Security
– Skopje

CHALLENGES AHEAD: THE NEED FOR A
STRUCTURED BALKAN COOPERATION

Prof. Goran Ilic, Faculty of Law – Bitola

14:00 – 15:00

Lunch Break

15:00 – 16:00

SESSION III

Introduction and moderation:

Prof. Goran Ilic

Faculty of Law – Bitola



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PRESENTATION OF THE RESULTS OF THE
STUDENT WORKING GROUPS

Final Discussion

- 16:00 Closing Words
- 16:15 Departure to the City Center
- 17:00 – 18:00 Meeting and Discussion with
Nikola Poposki, Minister of Foreign Affairs
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Skopje City Center
- 18:00 – 19:00 Cultural-Historical Programme in Skopje
- 19:30 Dinner
Restaurant *Ragusa*
12-ta M. Brigada 2A, Skopje

Tuesday, 07.06. 2016

- 10:30 Check-out from the hotel and Departure to
Gevgelija
- 13:00 Lunch and Discussion with
Ivan Frangov, Mayor of Gevgelija
Restaurant Javor Dzoko
Mrzenci, Gevgelija
- 15:00 – 16:00 Visit of the **Refugee Transit Center "Vinojug"**
near Borderline and Exchange with Authorities
- 16:00 Departure to Thessaloniki / Skopje / Bitola



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