

TUESDAY 16 SEPTEMBER | HOTEL ROGNER (ANTIGONEA 1)

0900hs – 0920hs: Registration and Welcome Coffee

0920hs – 0930hs: Welcome and opening of TCF'25 by Ardian Hackaj, TCF Coordinator

0930hs – 1010hs: Keynote Addresses

- Belinda BALLUKU, Deputy Prime Minister of Albania
- Meglena KUNEVA, Former EU Commissioner, EU Ambassador to Council of Europe, Chief Negotiator and Minister for Europe, Deputy Prime Minister of Bulgaria

1015hs – 1130hs: Panel 1. South East Europe 6 as a Security Provider

With:

- Pirro VENUGU, Minister of Defence of Albania
- Atanas ZAPRYANOV, Minister of Defence of Bulgaria
- Zoran DIMITROVSKI, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of North Macedonia

Discussants: Zsolt BUNFORD, Prime Minister's Special Envoy for the Western Balkans, Hungary; Ivica BOCEVSKI, former Deputy Prime Minister of North Macedonia

Moderated by Knut FLECKENSTEIN, former Member of EP and EU Rapporteur for Albania

1130hs – 1200s: Coffee Break

1200hs – 1315hs: Panel 2. South East Europe 6 contribution to EU competitiveness

With:

- Delina IBRAHIMAJ, Minister-designated of Economy and Innovation, Albania
- Stjepan OREŠKOVIĆ, Founder of Bosqar Invest, President of the SB of IEDC Bled School of Management
- Giorgio ZECCA, Single Market and Common Regional market integration, DG ENEST B1, Regional Strategy & Investments
- Blerina RACA, Project Manager, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH

Discussants: Marinela JAZOJ, Executive Director, Foreign Investors Association of Albania; Jean-Christophe BAS, Institute Aspen France

Moderated by Ardian HACKAJ, TCF Coordinator

Take Aways for the October Investment Forum: Olta MANJANI, Deputy Minister of Economy, Culture and Innovation of Albania, Tirana Investment Forum Coordinator

1330hs – 1500hs: Lunch

1830hs: Networking Dinner

1930hs: Night Owl Session. Communicating on 2030 Enlargement (*this event is by special invitation only*)

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Moderated by Valeska ESCH, former Senior Adviser to the Special Representative for the countries of the Western Balkans, Federal Foreign Office Germany

Conclusions and Take Aways by Maja HANDJISKA TRENDAFILOVA, Director of the Regional School for Public Administration

1230hs: Closure of TCF25