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**I N T E R N A T I O N A L
A C A D E M Y**

on the topic:

Is My Europe the Same as Yours?

July 13 – 17, 2015

Pirin Park Hotel, Sandanski (Bulgaria)

P R O G R A M

July 13, 2015 (Monday)

ARRIVAL AND ACCOMMODATION

20:30 *Dinner*

July 14, 2015 (Tuesday)

08:00 – 09:00 *Breakfast*

09:30 – 09:45 **OFFICIAL OPENING**

Yasen Georgiev

Executive Director, Economic Policy Institute

Wiebke Beiche

Project Assistant, Hanns Seidel Foundation in Bulgaria

- 09:45 – 10:00 **PRESENTATION OF THE INITIATIVE**
Desislava Petrova
 Director “European Programmes and Projects”, Economic Policy Institute
- 10:00 – 10:45 **ICE-BREAKING SESSION**
Moderator: Stephanie Bosseva
 Junior Researcher, Economic Policy Institute
- 10:45 – 11:15 *Coffee break*
- 11:15 – 12:30 **INTERACTIVE SESSION: WHY REGIONAL COOPERATION MATTERS?**
Moderator: Yassen Georgiev
 Executive Director, Economic Policy Institute
- 12:30 – 13:30 *Lunch*
- 13:30 – 16:00 **INTERACTIVE SESSION: MY COUNTRY IN MY EUROPE**
Moderator: Desislava Petrova
 Director “European Programmes and Projects”, Economic Policy Institute
- Creative presentations of the Bulgarian participants*
- Creative presentations of the Romanian participants*
- Creative presentations of the Greek participants*
- 16:00 – 16:15 *Coffee break*
- 16:15 – 18:00 **BENEFITS AND COSTS OF THE EU MEMBERSHIP**
*Martin Petrov**
 Member of Team Europe Junior
- 19:30 *Dinner*

July 15, 2015 (Wednesday)

- 08:00 – 09:00 *Breakfast*
- 09:00 – 12:30 **KEY TOPICS ON THE EU AGENDA – LOCAL PERCEPTIONS**
- 09:00 – 10:30 *Dr. Kiril Avramov**
 Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, New Bulgarian University, Sofia
- 10:30 – 10:45 *Coffee break*
- 10:45 – 12:15 *Romanian speaker*
- 12:15 – 13:30 *Greek speaker*
- 13:30 – 14:30 *Lunch*

* To be confirmed

14:30 – 15:30 **EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION AND FRUITFUL COOPERATION: BG-GR-RO**
Desislava Petrova
Director “European Programmes and Projects”, Economic Policy Institute

15:30 – 16:00 *Coffee break*

16:00 – 17:30 **INTERACTIVE SESSION: EU AS A GLOBAL PLAYER**
Yasen Georgiev
Executive Director, Economic Policy Institute

19:30 *Dinner*

July 16, 2015 (Thursday)

8:00 – 9:00 *Breakfast*

9:00 – 11:00 **WORLD CAFÉ SESSION**
Moderators: Yasen Georgiev and Desislava Petrova
Economic Policy Institute

11:00 – 11:15 *Coffee break*

11:15 – 12:30 *Dr. Mimi Kornazheva**
Director, Bulgarian-Romanian Interuniversity Europe Center, Ruse

12:30 – 13:00 **CLOSING SESSION: CERTIFICATES AWARDING CEREMONY**
Congratulatory addresses to all participants:

Bogdan Mirchev
Representative of the Hanns Seidel Foundation in Bulgaria

Yasen Georgiev
Executive Director, Economic Policy Institute

13:00 – 13:45 *Lunch*

14:00 *Excursion to the town of Melnik and Rozhen Monastery*

20:00 *Folklore dinner in a local restaurant*

July 17, 2015 (Friday)

DEPARTURE