



Fifth Annual International Conference
The European City – Urbanization and Architecture, Security and Finance
16th – 17th September 2010, Sofia

PROGRAM

16. 09. 2010 Opening of the conference - "Sofia" Hall in Grand Hotel Sofia

Moderator Mr. Valentin Lazarov, President of NAMCB

- 9:30** Welcoming speech by His Excellency the Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands **Mr. Karel van Kesteren**
Welcoming speech by His Excellency the Ambassador of the Republic of Germany **Mr. Matthias Hoepfner**
Welcoming speech by His Excellency the Ambassador of the Kingdom of Spain **Mr. Jorge Fuentes Monzonis-Vilallonga**
Welcoming speech by the District Governor of Sofia **Mr. Danail Kirilov**
10:00 Presentation by **Prof. Rinus van Schendelen**, Erasmus University Rotterdam - „Multi-level lobbying, up to the global level”
10:40 Presentation by **Mr. Jean Eigeman**, public administration expert for The Hague Academy for Local Governance -
”Sustainable cities as global perspective, a challenging assignment for city-management”
11:20 Presentation by the Chief architect of Sofia **Mr. Peter Dikov** - „Trends in Sofia’s urbanization development”
12:00 Presentation by **Mr. Vladimir Uruchev**, Member of the European Parliament – “Opportunities for increasing the energy efficiency
12:30 Presentation of the activity of the Anti-fraud Coordination Structure /AFCOS/ to the Ministry of Interior by **Ms. Sonia Klissarska**

Panel 1 : Local government. “Investment and public-private partnership, project management”

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- 14:00** Presentation by **Ms. Irina Jordanova**, Municipal councillor – „Possibilities for implementation of EU funds in Sofia”
14:30 Presentation by **Associate Prof. Dr. Rumen Brusarski**, University of National and World Economy – “Dynamics of the incomes from property taxes”
15:00 **Presentation by Associate Prof. Dr. Maria Slavova**, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski – “Presentation of the public-private partnership bills”
15:30 Presentation by **Prof. Dr. Stephan Wyckaert**, LIBRA University of Brussels - “Public private partnership in urban planning: some experiences from Belgium”
16:00 Presentation by **Associate Prof. Dr. Yordan Botev**, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski – “Public private partnership at the local level”
16:30 Presentation by **Associate Prof. Josif Avramov**, financier – “Principles, goals and functions of the public private partnership”
17:00 Presentation by **Dr. Hans-Günther Clev**, General Director of MOT /France/ – “The relationship between the NGOs and the local authorities”
18:00 “Inspired by the Source” exhibition – aquarelle copies by Evgenia Lepavtsova, presented by the Ethnology and Folkloristics Institute with an Ethnographic Museum to the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences

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9:30 – 13:00 **Panel 2: Management of the water-supply and sewage systems in municipalities; accordance with EU directives”**

Moderator – Mr. Georgi Chernev, President of the Sofia Chamber of Commerce and Industry

- 9:30** Presentation by **Mr. Valentin Nikolov**, member of Parliament – “The relationship between the consumers and the water-supply and sewage operators”
10:00 Presentation by **Mr. Georgi Chernev**, President of the Sofia Chamber of Commerce and Industry – “The business and the water-supply and sewage sector”
10:30 Presentation by **Mr. Ivan Ivanov**, Executive Director, Sofiyska voda / water-supply and sewage/ company – “Program for decrease of the unreported water quantities”
11:00 Presentation by **Ms. Iskra Zlatanova**, Director of Water-supply and Sewage - the city of Pernik - “Reform of the water-supply and sewage sector in Pernik”
11:30 Presentation by **Mr. Valentin Getov**, Head of Department in the Ministry of Environment and Water of Bulgaria – “Development of the water-supply and sewage sector – legislative changes”

14:00 – 16:30 **Panel 3 : Urban Security and Fight Against Corruption**

Moderator – Mr. Atanas Cheresharov, Sofia Municipal Council

- 14:00** Presentation by **Mr. Sebastian Sperber**, Program Manager of the European Forum for Urban Security /France/ - “Together for regional security”
14:30 Presentation by **Mr. Ib Jespersgaard**, Videnscenter for Integration - “The policy in Vejle Municipality /Denmark/ on preventive actions and acts directed at children and families with problems”
15:00 Presentation by **Ms. Ivelina Yankova**, Audit of EU Funds Executive Agency - “Financial management of EU funds”
15:30 Presentation by **Dr. Dobromir Hristov**, Center for the Study of Democracy – “Corruption in Southeastern Europe and its influence on the business environment – review of the progress and the main challenges”
16:00 Presentation by **Mr. Vassil Chobanov**, Journalists against corruption club – „Conflict of interests and fight against corruption practices”

17:00 Closure of the conference

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