



CONFERENCE



YEARS

MACEDONIAN INDEPENDENCE
ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND
POLICY DEVELOPMENTS



PROGRAM

15th- 16th September 2011, FON University

The Center for Research and Policy Making (CRPM) from Skopje, FON University, and the School of Public Policy "Mother Theresa", in partnership with Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, office Skopje (FES) are organizing an international academic conference dedicated to the 20th anniversary of the independence of the Republic of Macedonia titled 'Twenty Years of Macedonian Independence: economic, political and policy developments'

DAY 1

15th September

12:00

Official Opening of the Conference

Marija Risteska, Executive Director of CRPM

Aleksandar Nikolovski Rector, FON University

Zhidas Daskalovski, Director of School of Public Policy |Mother Theresa|

Representative of Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, office Skopje (FES)

13:00-14:30

PANEL 1

Twenty years of economic development in Macedonia: issues and challenges

Chair/ Discussant: Will Bartlett, LSE, UK

Presenters:

Prof. Dragan Tevdovski, University of Kiril and Metodij, Faculty of Economics,
"Economic Development in Macedonia: Issues and Challenges"

Dr. Sam Vaknin, Editor in Chief of "Global Politician",
"Why the Constant Failure to Attract FDI to Macedonia?"

Prof. Marjan Petreski and Branimir Jovanovic, University American College Skopje,
School of Business Economics and Management,
"A New Perspective on the Monetary Policy in Macedonia: The New Keynesian Model"

14:30-15:30

LUNCH BREAK

15:30-17:00

PANEL 2

Nation-building / nation branding in Macedonia

Chair/ Discussant: Prof. Veli Kreci, Public Administration and Political Sciences,
Southeast European University

Presenters:

Nora Maliqi, Albert Hani:
"OFA a challenge or opportunity"

Prof. Jovan Ananiev and Strashko Stojanovski, PhD, University of Goce Delchev, Faculty of Law
"Twenty years independence: models of Nation Building in Macedonia"

Prof. Stojan Slaveski, European University,
"Macedonian model of ethnic conflict regulation"

Prof. Ylber Sela and Lazim Ahmedi State University of Tetovo, Law Department,
"The name-dispute. Macedonia's main handicap towards NATO and EU accession"

17:00-17:30

COFFEE BREAK

17:30-19:00

PANEL 3

Issues and Challenges for Macedonia

Chair/ Discussant: Ridvan Peshkopia, Dean of the College of Sciences and Humanities, American University of Tirana

Presenters:

Dijana Stojanovic Djordjevic, PhD Candidate at the Institute for Sociological, Juridical, Political Studies, University of Kiril and Metodij

"Gender-sensitive policies - is there a change after 20 years of independence"

Diogen Hadzhi-Kosta Milevski, PhD Candidate at the University of Kliment Ohridski, Faculty of Administration and Information Systems Management

"Transformations of the political system as a result of changes in the electoral system 1991-2011"

Biljana Chavkoska, FON University, Faculty of Law,

"Is the Republic of Macedonia "good lover"? Macedonia-EU-NATO case study"

Ivica Josifovic, FON University, Faculty of Law

"Political Criteria of CEE countries for EU membership"



DAY 2

16th september

10:00-11:30

PANEL 4

Multicultural policies in Macedonia implications for the region and beyond

Chair/ Discussant: Zhidas Daskalovski, University St Clement of Ohrid, Bitola, Macedonia

Presenters:

Prof. Petar Atanasov and Bojana Naumovska, Institute for Sociological, Juridical, Political Studies, University of Kiril and Metodij

"Multicultural policies and the role of ethnic political parties: cases of Macedonia, Bulgaria and Romania"

Prof. Rubin Zemon, Euro-Balkan Institute,

"Macedonian salad-Managing of virtual reality among the image of nation-state, "multiculturalism dream" and bicultural policies"

Leon Malazogu (PER Kosovo)

"Multicultural policies in Macedonia and implications for Kosovo"

Prof. Goran Janev , Institute for Sociological, Juridical, Political Studies, University of Kiril and Metodij

"Democracy gone sour: establishing ethnocracy in Macedonia"

11:30-12:00

COFFEE BREAK

12:00-14:00

PANEL 3

Issues and Challenges for Macedonia Macedonia and the EU: love at second sight

Chair/ Discussant: Dimitar Bechev, Senior Policy Fellow and Head of European Council for Foreign Relations' Sofia Office

Presenters:

Gorica Atanasova Gjorevska, Ministry of Justice

"Macedonia– a leader or a laggard: Europeanization through political conditionality and the evolution of the of 'name dispute' as the key political criterion"

Malinka Ristevska Jordanova, PhD, Director, European Policy Institute

"Adopting the acquis - timeless: the case of Macedonia"

Prof. Didem Ekinici, Çankaya University

"Rethinking the role of International Organizations in state and peacebuilding: the UN, the OSCE, and the EU in Macedonia since 1991"

Ridvan Peshkopia, Dean of the College of Sciences and Humanities,
American University of Tirana

"Consociational Theory, EU Eastward Expansion and Eastern European Institutional Reforms: The case of Albania and Macedonia."

14:00-15:00

COFFEE BREAK

15:00-17:00

PANEL 6

Twenty years of the democratic Constitution: legal and political development since 1991

Chair/ Discussant: Prof. Dimitar Mirchev, FON University,

Presenters:

Prof. Biljana Vankovska, University of Kiril and Metodij, Faculty of Philosophy

"Constitutional Engineering and Institution Building in Macedonia"

Prof. Christopher K. Lamont, University of Groningen

"Forging Transitional Justice, the Rule of Law and Democratic Consolidation in Macedonia"

Aferdita Haxhijaha Imeri, PhD candidate at European Centre for Peace and Democracy /UNDP

"Well blended or badly mixed society? –what is the result of twenty years of democratic development"

Prof. Nano Ruzhin, FON University, Faculty of Political Science

"The Macedonian transition and it's dilemmas and anomalies"

17:00-17:30

COFFEE BREAK

18:15-18:30 *Opening of the Third Session of the School of Public Policy
|Mother Theresa|*

"Multiculturalism, new challenges and issues",
Anton Sereci, Commission for Relations between Religious Communities
Nezhdet Mustafa, Minister in the Government of the Republic of Macedonia
(attendance open only to the participants of the school)

18:30-20:00 *"Multiculturalism in Macedonia"*

Prof. Petar Atanasov, Institute for Sociological, Juridical, Political Studies
University of Kiril and Metodij

Programme for the final session of the School of Public Policy
|Mother Theresa|, generation 2011.



DAY 3

17th September

10:00-10:30 *Introduction by Francois Friderich, Council of Europe*

10:30-11:45 *"Universalisms and/or Particularisms:
Gender and Cultural Sensitivity Integrated into a Universalistic
Political Approach"*

Prof. Katerina Kolozova Euro Balkan Institute

11:45-12:30 **COFFEE BREAK AND DISCUSSION**

12:30-13:30 *"Multiculturalism from theory to practice"*

By: Ridvan Peshkopia, Dean of the College of Sciences and Humanities
American University of Tirana

13:30-14:30 **LUNCH BREAK**

14:30-16:00 *"Multicultural policies in Kosovo"*

By: Leon Malazogu (PER Kosovo)

16:00-16:30 **LUNCH BREAK**

16:30-17:45 *"Multiculturalism and the media"*

Nazim Rashidi, member of the Management Board of the Macedonian Institute for Media,
editor at BBC, service in Albanian language

18:00-19:30 *"Multiculturalism and Anthropology"*

Prof. Maja Muhic, Southeast European University, Languages, Cultures and Communications

20:00 **DINNER**

DAY 4

18th September

09:00-10:30

“Management of Cultural Policies”

Robert Alagjovzovski, expert on management of cultural policies

10:30-12:00

“Multiculturalism and minorities”

Prof. Rubin Zeman, Euro-Balkan Institute

12:00-12:30

COFFEE BREAK

12:30-13:30

“Multicultural story-personal views”

Mariangela Biancofiore Ameti, Italian Information Center (Centro Multi-Informativo Italiano)

13:30-14:30

LUNCH

14:30-16:00

“Multiculturalism and Nationalism”

Misha Popovikj, Institute for Democracy 'Societas Civilis' Skopje

16:00-17:00

Official closing of the School and diploma awarding to the participants