



BULGARIA ECONOMIC FORUM

Bulgaria on the EU road to 2020

3-4 December 2014, Sofia Hotel Balkan

3 December 2014 (Wednesday)

15:30 – 17:00 Registration for Bulgaria Economic Forum

17:00 – 17:45 **Official Opening of Bulgaria Economic Forum**

17:45 – 18:45 Key Note Speech

Professor Steve H. Hanke: Global Financial Trends. Bulgaria's Performance - What's Next?

19:00 – 21:00 Official Cocktail

4 December 2014 (Thursday)

8:30 – 9:30 Registration for Bulgaria Economic Forum and Balkan Trade Bridge

Hall Royal 1

Part 1: Finance

9:30 – 10:30 Round Table:

Fiscal stability, state budget, external debt and perspectives for Bulgaria's accession to the Eurozone

10:30 – 11:30 Round Table:

Current state of the banking sector in Bulgaria

11:30 – 11:45 Coffee-break

11:45 – 12:45 Round Table:

Current financial state of the energy sector in Bulgaria

Hall Royal 2

Part 2: EU Funds

9:30 – 11:30 – EU Funds

9:30 – 10:00 Presentation of the common budget framework and the financing priorities of the new European Programmes

10:00 – 10:30 - OP Human Resources Development" 2014-2020

10:30 – 11:00 - OP Innovations and Competitiveness 2014-2020

11:00 – 11:30 - OP Regions in Growth 2014-2020

11:45 – 12:45 EU Funds

11:45- 12:15 - OP Transport and Transport Infrastructure 2014-2020

12:15- 12:45- OP Environment 2014-2020

Hall Royal 3

Part 3: Balkan Trade Bridge

9:30 – 10:00 **Official Opening of Balkan Trade Bridge**

10:00 – 12:30 Round table: **The promotion of foreign trade – factor for economic prosperity**

- Financial instruments for promotion of exports;
- Challenges of accessing international markets;
- Will Bulgaria start exporting innovative products and high-level-processed goods;
- Products marketing abroad;
- Institutional and political framework for promotion of exports.



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Serdika Hall

12:45 – 14:00 Lunch

Hall Royal 1

Part 1: Finance

14:00 – 15:00 Round table:
Financial state of the National Social
Security Institute and the National
Health Insurance Fund

15:00 – 15:30 Best practices in
promoting of SMEs in Austria, Italy,
Spain and Romania as a measure
against the crisis in Europe

Hall 4

AGRO-START Conference

13:00 – 14:00
Registration for AGRO-START

14:00 – 15:00
SME promotion methods in the sectors
Horticulture and Animal breeding

15:00 – 16:00
Presentation of the Rural Development
Programme 2014-2020

Hall Royal 3

Part 3: Balkan Trade Bridge

14:00 – 17:45

B2B meetings in the frame of
Balkan Trade Bridge

18:00 – 19:00 Cocktail for the
participants of Balkan Trade Bridge