



PROGRAM

08.30 Registration of participants

09.00 Opening of the conference

Dr Nikola Špirić

Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Dr Miroslav Lajčák

The High Representative and European Union Special Representative in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Ambassador Dimitris Kourkoulas

Head of Delegation of the European Commission to Bosnia and Herzegovina

09.30 PANEL I Underutilization of Bosnia and Herzegovina's economic potential: what prevents growth and job creation?

*Is politics in the service of the economy or is the economy in the service of politics?
Economic manipulation versus economic integration*

Prof. Dr Mladen Ivanić, Professor

University of Banja Luka

Business climate in Bosnia and Herzegovina: incentive or deterrent to investment?

Elizabeta Josipović, Director

Skonto-prom, Prijedor

The need for effective employment strategies: poor labor market policies sustaining unemployment

Huso Sarić, Director

Labor and Employment Agency of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Stumbling blocks on the way to success: the experience of Triland

Tie Sosnowski, Director

Triland Development

Discussion

Moderator:

Dr Raffi Gregorian

Principal Deputy High Representative and Supervisor of Brčko District

11.00 Coffee break

11.30 PANEL II Designing an economic roadmap for Bosnia and Herzegovina: effects of economic reforms and partnership on the dynamics of growth and employment

A new approach to economic policymaking and job creation

Prof. Dr Anto Domazet, Director

The Institute of Economics, Sarajevo

Creating a competitive economic area for attracting foreign investment

Haris Bašić, Director

Foreign Investments Promotion Agency of Bosnia and Herzegovina

What businesses need in order to prosper – a guide for policymakers

Tomislav Grizelj, President

Association of Employers of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Bosnia and Herzegovina's integration in the regional and European activities of the European Economic and Social Committee

Patrik Zoltvány, Member of the Western Balkans Contact Group

European Economic and Social Committee

Discussion

Moderator:

Ambassador Igor Davidović

The Chief Negotiator of BiH on the SAA with the EU

13.00 Lunch

14.00 OPEN FORUM Coalition for jobs: government, business and society in partnership for faster development and better living conditions

Summary of discussion from the morning session

Doing business in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Mr Marco Mantovanelli, World Bank Country Manager

Presentation of a parallel debate by young economists

Discussion

Conclusions

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16.00 Press conference
