

Invitation to a public debate:

Slovak – Kosovar Dialogue on the EU path

Wednesday, 23rd September, 9:30 – 12:00

Venue: Arcadia Hotel, Františkánska 3, Bratislava

Points for discussion:

- What is Kosovo's progress in the Stabilization and Association (SAA) Process and what are its main challenges on the EU path?
- What is the update on Kosovo's relations with five EU non-recognizers?
- How will Slovakia approach Kosovo's EU perspective during its EU Presidency in the second half of 2016?

Agenda

9:30 – 10:30: Panel 1: Kosovo's challenges on the EU path: SAA, and relations with non-recognizers

Ramadan Ilazi, Deputy Minister for European Integration of Kosovo

Henrik Markuš, Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of Slovak Republic; former Head of the Liaison Office in Prishtina (until August 2015)

Bernard Nikaj, Former Minister of Trade and Industry of Kosovo (until 2014)

Chair: **Milan Nič**, Director, Central European Policy Institute (CEPI), Bratislava

10:30 – 11:00: Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:00: Panel 2: Slovak EU Presidency in 2016: what working relations with Kosovo?

Vladimír Bilčík, Head of EU Programme, Slovak Foreign Policy Association, Bratislava

Besa Shahini, Independent Analyst, Brussels

Agron Bajrami, Editor in Chief, Koha Ditore, Prishtina

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RSVP: Due to the limited capacity, we kindly ask you to confirm your participation by 21st September 2015 to Barbora Tholtová on her e-mail: barbora.tholtova@cepolicy.org.

Please, kindly note that the event will be held in English.