

CONGRESS POST-ELECTORAL DIALOGUE

Further to the 2 October 2016 local elections in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Final programme

Wednesday 24 May 2017

Various times **Arrival of the Congress' Delegation in Sarajevo**

Thursday 25 May 2017 Meetings in Sarajevo

- 08:30 – 08:45 Breakfast briefing for the Delegation
Venue: Hotel Europe in Sarajevo, breakfast room
- 09:00 – 09:30 Background briefing with the Head of the Council of Europe Office in Sarajevo, **Ambassador Drahoslav STEFANEK** on the overall political situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the situation in Mostar
Venue: Hotel Europe in Sarajevo, Mezzanine meeting room
- 9:30 – 10:30 Briefing with representatives of the international community:
- **HE Anders HAGELBERG**, Ambassador - **Embassy of Sweden**,
 - **Ms Christine McNEILL**, Acting Deputy Head of Mission and **Mr Julian MILLER**, 1st Sec Political – **Embassy of the United Kingdom**
 - **Mr Kenneth ZURCHER**, Deputy Political Counselor – **Embassy of the USA**
 - **Mr Joeri MAAS**, Chief of Policy and Planning – **OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina**
 - **Ms Maja RIBAR**, EUSR Political Adviser, Delegation of the European Union
- Venue: Hotel Europe in Sarajevo, Mezzanine meeting room
- Coffee break
- 11:00 – 12:00 Meeting with the President of the Central Election Commission of BiH, **Ms Irena HADZIABDIC** on the post-electoral situation/ follow-up on Congress' REC
Venue: CEC, Danijela Ozme 7
- 12:15 – 13:15 Meeting with **Mr Šefik DŽAFEROVIĆ**, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the BiH Parliamentary Assembly on the post-electoral situation/follow-up on Congress' REC
Venue: BiH Parliamentary Assembly, Trg BiH 1, VIP entrance
- Lunch break
- 14:30 – 15:15 Meeting with **Mr Marinko ČAVARA**, President of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina on the overall situation of local democracy in the FBiH and the specific situation in Mostar
Venue: Office of the President of FBiH, Titova street, entrance of the Presidency BiH
- 15:30 – 16:00 Meeting with **Ms Vesna TRAVLJANIN**, Director of the Association of Municipalities and Towns of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina on the overall situation of local democracy in the FBiH and the specific situation in Mostar
Venue: Premises of the Association, Musala 5/1
- Coffee break

- 16:15 – 16:45 Meeting with the representatives of the Ministry for Administration and Local Self-Government of Republika Srpska, **Ms Milanka SOPIN**, Assistant Minister for Local Self-Government and **Ms Gordana LUKIC**, Adviser to Minister Lelja RESIC, on the overall situation of local democracy in Republika Srpska
Venue: Hotel Europe in Sarajevo, Mezzanine meeting room
- 17:30 – 18:30 Meeting with the Principal Deputy of the High Representative for Bosnia and Herzegovina **Mr Bruce BERTON** on the overall political situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the situation in Mostar
Venue: Emerika Bluma 1, Sarajevo
- 18:30 Transfer from Sarajevo to Mostar (approx. 2 hours)
- Dinner in Mostar – restaurant Divan, Oneščukova, Mostar

Friday 26 May 2017 Meetings in Mostar

- 09:00 – 9:45 Meeting with the acting Mayor of Mostar, **Mr Ljubo BEŠLIĆ**
Venue: City Hall of Mostar, Hrvatskih branitelja no. 2
- 10:00 – 10:30 Meeting with the President of the City Board of HDZ Mostar, **Mr Damir DZEBA** and the Secretary of the City Board of HDZ Mostar, **Ms Ana LEZENIC**
Venue: Hotel Bristol in Mostar, Meeting room 1
- 10:45 – 11:15 Meeting with the Vice President of the City Board of SDA Mostar, **Mr Alija SUNJE** and the Chairman of the SDA caucus in the City Council of Mostar elected in 2008, **Mr Adil SUTA**
Venue: Hotel Bristol in Mostar, Meeting room 1
- Coffee break
- 11:30 – 12:00 Meeting with representatives of the Social Democratic Party of BiH (SDP) in Mostar, the President of the Cantonal Board of the SDP, **Mr Zoran MIKULIC**, the President of the City Board of SDP Mostar **Mr Edin ZAGORCIC** and Legal Adviser **Mr Milan RACIC**
Venue: Hotel Bristol in Mostar, Meeting room 1
- 12:15 – 12:45 Meeting with representative of the Alliance for a Better Future (SBB) in Mostar, President of the City Board of **Mr Anel KLJAKO**
Venue: Hotel Bristol in Mostar, Meeting room 1
- Lunch break
- 14:45 – 15:30 Meeting with representatives of the coalition of NGOs which organised “Elect Mostar” (unofficial vote) on 2 October 2016:
 - Local Democracy Agency Mostar
 - Youth Cultural Centre “Abrasevic”
 - Center for psychological support “Sensus” (former Association of Young Psychologists)
 - Youth City Council
Venue: Hotel Bristol in Mostar, Meeting room 1
- Coffee break
- 16:00 Transfer from Mostar to Sarajevo (approx. 2 hours)
- Debriefing and dinner in Sarajevo

Saturday 27 May 2017

- Various times **Departure of the Congress’ Delegation**

Delegation

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Leen VERBEEK, Netherlands (R, SOC), Chair of the Monitoring Committee

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