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## High-level Horizontal Facility Steering Committee Meeting

North Macedonia, Skopje, 19 March 2019

Venue: Marriot Hotel

### Agenda

- 08:30 – 09:00**      **Registration of participants**
- 09:00 – 09:15**      **Introductory speech**  
Deputy Minister of Justice Mr Oliver Ristovski (TBC)
- 09:15 – 10:00**      **Round-table on “Horizontal Facility as a tool in the EU accession process: results and challenges (*in the presence of media*)**  
Moderation and introduction by Professor Vlado Kambovski (TBC)  
Mr Dusko Uzunovski, Horizontal Facility Beneficiary Co-ordinator *a. i.*, Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Mr Nicola Bertolini (TBC), Head of Co-operation, Delegation of the European Union  
Ms Pilar Morales Fernandez Shaw, Head of the Programming Department, Office of the Directorate General of Programmes, Council of Europe
- 10:00 – 10:20**      **Media Press Statement (TBC) and coffee break**
- 10:20 – 11:10**      **Round-table on justice reform**  
*moderated by Ms Ana Zec*  
*Support to the national Strategy of North Macedonia for Reform of the Judicial Sector (2017-2022): institutional support and legal advice*  
**Statements by:**  
Ms Natasa Gaber Damjanovska, Director of the Academy for Public Prosecutors and Judges (TBC)

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Judge in the Constitutional Court (TBC)

Access to justice: improving quality of free legal aid

Mr Petar Mirkovic, Ministry of Justice (TBC)

Ms Rita Marascalchi, Senior Project Officer, Council of Europe

**11:10 – 12:00**

**Round-table on prison and police reform**

*moderated by Mr Nicola Bertolini - EU Delegation (TBC)*

*Independent oversight mechanism*

*De-radicalisation in prisons*

*Improved prisons' management and reintegration*

**Statements by:**

Representative of the Ministry of Interior (TBC)

Representative of the Public Prosecutor's Service (Ms Gordana Smacaska)

Mr Jovica Stojanovic, Director of the Agency for Execution of Sanctions

Ms Tanja Rakusic-Hadzic, Head of the Criminal Law Cooperation Unit, Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe

**12:00 – 12:10**

***Coffee break***

**12:10 – 13:00**

**Round-table on fight against economic crime and trafficking in human beings**

*moderated by (TBC) Directorate for MA, Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

*Supporting prevention and investigation of economic crime cases, asset recovery*

**Statements by:**

Mr Blazo Trendafilov, Director of the Agency for Financial Intelligence (TBC)

Representative (member) of the State Commission for Combating Corruption (TBC)

Mr Mustafa Ferati, Head of Unit I, Economic Crime and Cooperation Division at Council of Europe

*Effective investigation of cases of trafficking in human beings and securing compensation for victims of trafficking*

**Statements by:**

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National Commission for Fight Against Trafficking in Human Beings (Magdalena Nestorovska or Svetlana Vlahovic)(TBC)

Ms Elena Grozdanovska, State Councilor MLSP (TBC)

Ms Kristina Velcikova, Senior Project Officer, Council of Europe

**13:00 – 13:30**

### **Recommendations and way forward**

Mr Dusko Uzunovski , Horizontal Facility Beneficiary Co-ordinator *a.i.*, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of North Macedonia

Mr Nicola Bertolini (TBC), Head of Co-operation, Delegation of the European Union

Ms Pilar Morales Fernandez Shaw , Head of the Programming Department, Office of the Directorate General of Programmes, Council of Europe

**13:30 – 15:00**

### **Buffet lunch**

**Note: Languages on the Meeting: Macedonian / English**