

# COUNCIL OF EUROPE SCHOOLS OF POLITICAL STUDIES (SPS)

## Calendar of Events 2014

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### JANUARY

5-31 January, Chisinau, Moldova	Selection process of new audients	SPS Chisinau
29 January - 2 February, Pravetz, Bulgaria	National Programme "Governing Skills" 2013/2014, course "National priorities and national decisions"	SPS Sofia
31 January, Tirana, Albania	Welcome meeting	SPS Tirana
30 January, Serbia	1st seminar: Strengthening capacities of Women's Parliamentary Network (with special emphasis on gender and security)	SPS Belgrade

### FEBRUARY

29 January - 2 February, Pravetz, Bulgaria	National Programme "Governing Skills" 2013/2014, course on "National priorities and national decisions"	SPS Sofia
7 February, Tirana, Albania	Seminar on "Political institutions and local self-government"	SPS Tirana
7-9 February, Budva, Montenegro	Seminar on "Human rights in Montenegro - Between standard and practice"	SPS Podgorica
18 February, Sofia	Public Debate on Refugees' problem	SPS Sofia
18 February, Bucharest, Romania	Conference concerning India's priorities as an emerging world power	SPS Bucharest

20-21 February, Kobuleti, Georgia	Seminar	SPS Tbilisi
21-24 February, Niš, Serbia	1st RAD* SEMINAR "Invisible People: Many Faces of Migrations in the Western Balkans"	*RAD – Regional Academy for Democracy – Project Coordinator: Belgrade SPS; Project Partners: SPS Tirana, Sarajevo, Zagreb, Skopje, Pristina
21-23 February, Pristina	National seminar	SPS Pristina
<b>MARCH</b>		
28 February - 2 March, Progradec, Albania	National course on "Political parties and elections"	SPS Tirana
6 March, Zagreb, Croatia	Skype Conference with Mikhail Minakov on present political situation in Ukraine	SPS Zagreb
8 March, Belgrade, Serbia	Pre-elections Convention of Women Parliamentary Network (Project: Strengthening capacities of Women Parliamentary Network)	SPS Belgrade
11-15 March, Zelenogorsk, St. Petersburg region	Federal seminar titled Law, Politics, Economy, Mass Media	SPS Moscow
12-16 March, Pravetz, Bulgaria	National Programme "Governing Skills" 2013/2014, course "Bulgaria in the European Union: principles of good governance"	SPS Sofia
12-16 March, Pravetz, Bulgaria	Visit of Youssef Laaraj, Executive Director of ECEP – Morocco	SPS Sofia
13-16 March, Odorheiu Secuiesc, Romania	First national seminar of the "Ovidiu Sincai" European School	SPS Bucharest
14-16 March, Makarska, Croatia	1st annual APD seminar, "Citizens, society and politics in modern democracies"	SPS Zagreb
14-16 March, Chisinau, Moldova	Seminar One: Democracy and Good Governance in Moldova – Current Situation and Main Trends	SPS Chisinau

19-22 March, Veszpren, Hungary	Special Judiciary Session	SPS Visegrad
19-23 March, Sofia, Bulgaria	Public lecture delivered by James Robinson	SPS Sofia
21 March, Tirana, Albania	Seminar: Essays writing training / Public initiatives	SPS Tirana
21-23 March, Kavadarci, "the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"	Elections campaigns and democracy	SPS Skopje
23-25 March, Ivano-Frankivsk, Ukraine	First Session "Belarus in Contemporary World"	EESPS Belarus
26-28 March, Warsaw, Poland	Visegrad School seminar	SPS Visegrad
31 March - 6 April, Croatia	Study visit - 10 Azerbaijane officials, Ministry of Economy and Industry	SPS Zagreb
22-23 March (venue tbd)	Second seminar of Project: Strengthening capacities of the Women's Parliamentary Network (with the special emphasis on gender and security)	SPS Belgrade
24-29 March, Brussels, Belgium	Study visit to Brussels (project: support to institute for Sustainable Communities core partners)	SPS Belgrade
27 March, Belgrade, Serbia	Round table on energy efficiency with local government representatives (Project: Public Dialogue on Sustainable Use of Energy in SEE)	SPS Belgrade
March, Ulyanovsk, Russian Federation	Regional seminar	SPS Moscow
March (date tbd), Sofia, Bulgaria	Press conference on "Models and Good Practices for Legitimate Civic Representation"	SPS Sofia
<b>APRIL</b>		
31 March - 6 April, Croatia	Study visit - 10 Azerbaijane officials, Ministry of Economy and Industry	SPS Zagreb

2-4 April, Rijeka, Croatia	Study visit to Rijeka (Project: Local Networking for Sustainable Development - LNSD)	SPS Belgrade
10-13 April, Korca, Albania	National seminar	SPS Pristina
11-13 April, (Gjirokaster, Albania)	National course 2 on "Leadership, active citizenship and political communication "	SPS Tirana
15 April, Bucharest, Romania	Conference concerning Turkey's role at regional and world level	SPS Bucharest
18 April, Tirana, Albania	Seminar on "The organisation of state: executive, legislative and the judiciary powers - Drawing the line between state and power".	SPS Tirana
15 April, Zagreb, Croatia	Final event of the Green idea project - Press conference and presentation of the results (activities to continue until October 2014)	SPS Zagreb
15 April, Bucharest, Romania	Conference on Turkey's role at regional and world level	SPS Bucharest
23-25 April, Golitsyno, Moscow Region	Federal Seminar for Alumni of the Moscow School of Civic Education and foreign participants	SPS Moscow
23-25 April, Golitsyno, Moscow region	MSCE federal seminar for Alumni of the Moscow School of Civic Education and foreign participants	SPS Moscow
25 April	One-day seminar for women MPs on parliamentary diplomacy (Project: Strengthening capacities of Women Parliamentary Network)	SPS Belgrade
25 April, Tirana, Albania	Seminar on essays writing training / Public initiatives	SPS Tirana
26 April, Split, Croatia	2nd LAPR seminar on "Local Development for a Sustainable Future" project	SPS Zagreb
April	Annual Conference of Teachers of Civic Education	SPS Yerevan

April, Minsk, Belarus	Round Table "Belarus in Contemporary World"	EESPS Belarus
April, Sofia, Bulgaria (date tbd)	Workshop for alumni of Bulgarian School of Political Studies on "Communicating philanthropy"	SPS Sofia
April, Sofia, Bulgaria (date tbd)	2 Workshops for alumni of Bulgarian School of Political Studies	SPS Sofia
Mid-April, Zagreb, Croatia	5th and final round table on EU funds and public finance	SPS Zagreb
<b>MAY</b>		
1-2 May, Gudauri, Georgia	Seminar	SPS Tbilisi
2-4 May, Durres, Albania	National course 3: "The EU and the integration process. Perspectives for WB countries and Albania"	SPS Tirana
8 May, Belgrade, Serbia	1st national round table (Project: Development of a Sustainable Bioenergy Market in Serbia)	SPS Belgrade
8-11 May, "The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"	RAD* Second seminar "Social and Labour Rights in Times of Prolonged Economic Crisis"	*RAD – Regional Academy for Democracy – Project Coordinator: Belgrade SPS; Project Partners: SPS Tirana, Sarajevo, Zagreb, Skopje, Pristina
9 May, Belgrade, Serbia	One-day seminar for women MPs on parliamentary diplomacy (Project: Strengthening capacities of Women Parliamentary Network)	SPS Belgrade
9-11 May, Pristina	3rd seminar: Local Networking for Sustainable Development (LNSD)	SPS Belgrade
9-11 May, Skopje "the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"	EU Enlargement and the Balkans	SPS Skopje
Mid-May (tbc), Podgorica, Montenegro - Oslo, Norway	Seminar "Towards Responsible institutions"	SPS Podgorica

16 May, Tirana, Albania	Seminar on "Civil society and groups of interest"	SPS Tirana
16-18 May, Osijek, Croatia	2nd Annual APD Seminar, „Communication Skills for Public Affairs“	SPS Zagreb
22-23 May, Gudauri, Georgia	Seminar	SPS Tbilisi
23 May, Belgrade, Serbia	One-day seminar for women MPs on parliamentary diplomacy (Project: Strengthening capacities of Women Parliamentary Network)	SPS Belgrade
28-30 May, Prague, Czech Republic	Visegrad School Seminar	SPS Visegrad
29 May - 1 June, Paltinis, Romania	Second national seminar of the "Ovidiu Sincai" European School	SPS Bucharest
29 May, Novi Sad, Serbia	1st local round table (Project: Development of a Sustainable Bioenergy Market in Serbia)	SPS Belgrade
May 2014 (date tbd)	High level event – Debate on EU membership	SPS Zagreb
May, Tsaghkadzor, Armenia	YSPS National Seminar on "State, Society, Politics, Law, Culture"	SPS Yerevan
Late May, Kaliningrad, Russian Federation	Regional seminar on Local self-governance and civil society's involvement	SPS Moscow
May or June	Second Session "Transformations in Countries of Visegrad 4: Lessons for Belarus"	EESPS Belarus
<b>JUNE</b>		
29 May - 1 June, Paltinis, Romania	Second national seminar of the "Ovidiu Sincai" European School	SPS Bucharest

5-8 June, Palic, Serbia	First annual seminar	SPS Belgrade
6 June, Tirana, Albania	Seminar on "Freedom of expression and the role of media"	SPS Tirana
6 June, Belgrade, Serbia	One-day seminar for women MPs on parliamentary diplomacy (Project: Strengthening capacities of Women Parliamentary Network)	SPS Belgrade
6-8 June, Chisinau, Moldova	Seminar Two: Effective Democracy, Efficient Governance, and Functional Market Economy – The Outcomes of Successful Transition	SPS Chisinau
6-8 June, Pristina	National seminar	SPS Pristina
Beginning of June, Tbilisi, Georgia	Georgian-Russian Expert's Meeting	SPS Tbilisi
10 June, Bucharest, Romania	Conference concerning Brazil's priorities as an emerging world power	SPS Bucharest
8-14 June, Golitsyno, Moscow Region	Federal seminar on "Law, Politics, Economy, Mass Media"	SPS Moscow
12 June, Zrenjanin, Serbia	2nd local round table (Project: Development of a Sustainable Bioenergy Market in Serbia)	SPS Belgrade
1st half of June (tbc, Serbia)	Project: European Integration and Local Socio-Economic Development – Bringing Decisions Closer to Citizens	SPS Belgrade
19-20 June, Strasbourg	International Alumni Seminar for all Schools of Political Studies	Council of Europe - all schools
25-26 June, Gudauri, Georgia	Seminar	SPS Tbilisi

27-30 June, Pristina, Kosovo	3rd RAD SEMINAR "Rights of Minorities and Institutional Arrangements: Seeking Better Solutions"	*RAD – Regional Academy for Democracy – Project Coordinator: Belgrade SPS; Project Partners: SPS Tirana, Sarajevo, Zagreb, Skopje, Pristina
June, Ufa, Bashkortostan	Regional seminar on "Russian Region in Global World"	SPS Moscow
May or June	Second Session "Transformations in Countries of Visegrad 4: Lessons for Belarus"	EESPS Belarus
June (date tbd), Zagreb, Croatia	Celebration of APD's 10th anniversary	SPS Zagreb, Pristina
June, Sofia, Bulgaria	Round table for presenting results from Glasovoditel and Glasosleditel project	SPS Sofia
June	Training for Youth Wing Members of the Political Parties of Armenia	SPS Yerevan
June, Sofia, Bulgaria	Workshop for Bulgarian, Tunisian Schools and European and ECEP	SPS Sofia
<b>JULY</b>		
17-20 July, Danube Delta, Romania	Third national seminar of the "Ovidiu Sincai" European School	SPS Bucharest
23-25 July, Bratislava, Slovak Republic	Visegrad School seminar	SPS Visegrad
24-25 July, Gudauri, Georgia	Seminar	SPS Tbilisi
27 July - 2 August, Golitsyno, Moscow Region	Federal seminar on on "Law, Politics, Economy, Mass Media"	SPS Moscow

31 July, Bitola and Skopje, "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"	Milton Friedman Legacy for Freedom Day 2014	SPS Skopje
July, Belarus	Summer Meeting of the EESPS Alumni (team building event)	EESPS Belarus
July	Book Presentation	SPS Yerevan
July	Study visit – 3 APD alumni to USA	SPS Zagreb
<b>AUGUST</b>		
27 July-2 August, Golitsyno, Moscow Region	Federal seminar titled Law, Politics, Economy, Mass Media	SPS Moscow
August	Study visit – 3 APD alumni to USA	SPS Zagreb
August, Vilnius, Lithuania	Workshop for planning of the EESPS' Activity for 2015, meeting of Administration, Advisory Council and Alumni Council	EESPS Belarus
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		
September, Yerevan, Armenia	Opening ceremony of 2014-2015 study year and one-day seminar	SPS Yerevan
5 September, Chisinau, Moldova	Inter-school regional Meeting/Conference	SPS Chisinau
5 September, Tirana, Albania	Seminar on "Governance, development and globalisation"	SPS Tirana
9-12 September, Northern Ireland	Study visit (Project: Regional Academy for Democracy - RAD)	SPS Belgrade

11-14 September, Serbia	Second annual seminar	SPS Belgrade
19-21 September (venue tbd)	National Seminar	SPS Pristina
24-26 September, Budapest, Hungary	Visegrad School seminar	SPS Visegrad
26 September, Tirana, Albania	Seminar on "The global financial crisis"	SPS Tirana
26 September, Bucharest, Romania	Alumni conference of the "Ovidiu Sincai" European School	SPS Bucharest
24 September, Nis, Serbia	3rd local round tableProject: Development of a Sustainable Bioenergy Market in Serbia	SPS Belgrade
27-29 September	Annual conference of the APD and 3rd annual seminar	SPS Zagreb
30 September - 2 October, Belgrade, Serbia	Belgrade Security Forum 2014 – Europe 2014: Closure and/or New Beginning	SPS Belgrade
September, Khabarovsk, Far East Region of RF	Regional seminar on "Russian Region in Global World"	SPS Moscow
September, Warsaw, Poland	Third Session "Belarus: Opportunities for Transformation"	EESPS Belarus
<b>OCTOBER</b>		
30 September - 2 October, Belgrade, Serbia	Belgrade Security Forum 2014 – Europe 2014: Closure and/or New Beginning	SPS Belgrade
3-5 October, Chisinau, Moldova	Seminar Three: The Global Challenges to Democracy and their Influence on the State of Democracy in Moldova	SPS Chisinau

October, Pravets, Bulgaria (date tbd)	National Programme "Governing Skills" 2014/2015, course "Leadership, Organization, Communication"	SPS Sofia
October, Sofia, Bulgaria (date tbd)	Public Lecture	SPS Sofia
10-11 October, Iasi, Romania (tbd)	Joint seminar of the Romanian and Moldovan SPS	SPS Bucharest, Chisinau
Mid-October (date tbd), Montenegro	Seminar "Challenges of Europeanization in Montenegro" (for new, XIII, generation of participants )	SPS Podgorica
1st half of October, Serbia (tbc)	Second seminar (Project: European Integration and Local Socio-Economic Development – Bringing Decisions Closer to Citizens)	SPS Belgrade
17-19 October, Kratovo, "The former Yugoslav Republic of Yugoslavia"	Public Policy theory and practice	SPS Skopje
22 October, Uzice, Serbia	4th local round table (Project: Development of a Sustainable Bioenergy Market in Serbia)	SPS Belgrade
23-24 October, Gudauri, Georgia	Seminar	SPS Tbilisi
October	YSPS National Seminar on "Strivings and Challenges of European Integration of Armenia"	SPS Yerevan
October, Irkutsk, Baikal Region	Regional seminar	SPS Moscow
October, Minsk, Belarus	Round Table "Belarus: Possible Scenarios of Transformation"	EESPS Belarus
<b>NOVEMBER</b>		
3-5 November, Golitsyno, Moscow Region	Workshop under project "Promotion of Civic Education in Russian regions"	SPS Moscow

7-10 November	FINAL RAD* seminar "Governing Cyber Space: Right to Privacy in an Ever-Closer World"	*RAD – Regional Academy for Democracy – Project Coordinator: Belgrade SPS; Project Partners: SPS Tirana, Sarajevo, Zagreb, Skopje, Pristina
20 November, Belgrade, Serbia	Final national round table (Project: Development of a Sustainable Bioenergy Market in Serbia)	SPS Belgrade
6-8 November, Golitsyno, Moscow Region	Workshop under the project Promotion of Civic Education in Russian regions	SPS Moscow
November, Sofia, Bulgaria	Workshop for BSoP alumni "Communicating philanthropy"	SPS Sofia
November	Participation in Strasbourg World Forum for Democracy	EESPS Belarus
<b>DECEMBER</b>		
December, Pravets, Bulgaria (date tbd)	National Programme „Governing Skills“ 2014/2015, course „Regional Development and Local Self-Government	SPS Sofia
11-12 December, Gudauri, Georgia	Seminar	Georgia
11-14 December, Serbia (venue tbd)	Third Annual Seminar	SPS Belgrade
19-20 December, Chisinau, Moldova	Third EISPM Alumni Assembly: Building European Democracy in Moldova	SPS Chisinau
December	Second Seminar on "Armenia in Globalizing World"	Armenia
December	Yerevan School of Political Studies Alumni Conference	Armenia

December, Novosibirsk, Siberia	Regional seminar on Local self-governance and civil society involvement	Russia
December, Yaroslavl, Central Russia	Regional seminar on Local self-governance and civil society involvement	Russia
December, Kostroma, Central Russia	Regional seminar on "Russian Region in Global World"	Russia
December, Golitsyno, Moscow Region	Federal seminar on "Mass media and society"	Russia
December, Warsaw, Poland	International Conference "Belarus and European Standards of Equal Rights and Opportunities of Women and Men"	EESPS Belarus
<b>DATES TO BE DETERMINED</b>		
date tbd, Bucharest, Romania	"European Evening" fund-raising event	SPS Bucharest
date tbd	Within the PDI project the activities are still being defined	SPS Zagreb
Autumn 2014	World Forum for Democracy	All SPS



