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***Balkan Ambitions and Polish Inspirations***

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## **Opening ceremony**

**9.15 – 9.45**

Professor Sambor Grucza, Vice-Rector for Cooperation and Human Resources, University of Warsaw

Professor Kamil Zajączkowski, Director of the Centre for Europe, University of Warsaw

Professor Goran Ilik, Vice Rector, University "St. Kliment Ohridski" – Bitola

Professor Danijela Vuković-Ćalasan, Vice Dean for International Affairs, University of Montenegro

Mr Patryk Błaszczak, Deputy Director of the European Policy Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

## **Panel 1**

**9.45-11.30**

### **Poland, the Balkan States and Regional Players**

**Chair:** Prof. Bogdan Góralczyk (University of Warsaw)

Prof. Goran Ilik (University "St. Kliment Ohridski" – Bitola)

***Towards Closer Balkan Cooperation:  
The Case of V4 and the Challenges of the Eurointegration Processes***

Dr. Małgorzata Bonikowska, Agnieszka Ostrowska (Centre for International Relations)

***Poland in the NATO. Lessons for Balkans***

Prof. Todor Lakić, (University of Montenegro)

***Russian influence in the Western Balkans***

Prof. Małgorzata Łakota-Micker (University of Wrocław)

***Russian influence in Montenegro (recording)***

Prof. Ozgun Erler Bayir (University of Stambul)

***Turkey's soft power and public diplomacy in the Balkans***

Prof. Ivan Ilic (University of Niš)

***Challenges in relations between Serbia and European Union (recording)***

**Coffee break  
11.30 – 12.00**

## **Panel 2**

12.00 - 13.45

### **Poland and the Balkans - Socio-Economic Changes and Challenges**

**Chair:** Prof. Marko Babić (University of Warsaw)

Dr. Anna Masłoń - Oracz (SGH Warsaw School of Economics)

*Poland as a leader in supporting start-ups among the countries of Central and Eastern Europe*

Prof. Danijela Vuković-Ćalasan, (University of Montenegro)

*Social Cohesion and EU Integration of Post-communist Countries - The Case of Montenegro*

Prof. Katarzyna Kołodziejczyk (University of Warsaw)

*The balance of Poland's membership in the EU development policy*

Dr. Aleksandra Borowicz (University of Gdańsk)

*Poland's success in the area of attracting foreign direct investment: determinants and prospects*

Prof. Małgorzata Dziembała/Ms. Karolina Tadla (University of Economics in Katowice)

*Supporting the innovativeness of Polish small and medium-sized enterprises from EU funds*

Dr. Anna Wójtowicz (SGH Warsaw School of Economics)

*Priorities and challenges of the Poland energy transition*

13.45– 14.45

**Lunch**

### **Panel 3**

14.45-16.15

## **Poland and the Balkans - Systemic and Administrative Changes**

**Chair:** Prof. Goran Ilik (University "St. Kliment Ohridski" – Bitola)

Prof. Jacek Wojnicki (University of Warsaw)

*Disputes on the Polish model of government in public debate*

Prof. Mladen Karadzovski (University "St. Kliment Ohridski" – Bitola)

*Reform of the public administration system in North Macedonia*

Prof. Bojana Naumovska (University of "Ss. Cyril and Methodius" Skopje)

*Electoral regulations - political parties vs citizens attitudes*

Prof. Angelina Stanojoska (University "St. Kliment Ohridski" – Bitola)

*Emigration, Brain Drain, and Brain Gain Policies of the Republic  
of North Macedonia*

Mr. Marcin Sokołowski (University of Warsaw)

*Participatory budget in Poland – an example for the Balkan countries*

### **Closing remarks**

16.15

Prof. Goran Ilik and Prof. Kamil Zajączkowski