



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

**National Human Rights Institutions and the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights in  
Macedonia and the Western Balkans**  
*3 - 4 October 2012*

Venue: EU Info Centre, Skopje, Macedonia  
Working Languages: Macedonian, English

*Day 1*                      *October 03, 2012*

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*13.00 - 14.00*            **Participant registration and welcoming cocktail**

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*14.00 - 14.15*            **Welcome Note**

**Tome Gruevski, President, Studiorum, Macedonia**

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***The NHRIs in the Western Balkans: Strong and Independent Overarching  
Human Rights Bodies***

*14.15-15.45*

**Ixhet Memeti**, Ombudsperson of the Republic of Macedonia  
**Almedina Karic**, councilor, Ombudsperson Institution of Bosnia and  
Herzegovina  
**Sami Kurteshi**, Ombudsperson of the Republic of Kosovo  
**Moderator: Elena Andreevska**, Faculty of Public Administration and Political  
Sciences, SEEU Tetovo, Macedonia

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*15.45 - 16.00*            **Coffee Break**

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***Human Rights Protection in the Countries of the Western Balkans:  
Normative Challenges and Institutional Legacies***

*16.00 - 17.30*

**Dusko Minovski**, Commission for Protection against Discrimination, Macedonia  
**Tatjana Vlastic**, Office for Human Rights, Croatia  
**Maja Micic**, Youth Initiative for Human Rights, Serbia  
**Nina Seremet**, Youth Initiative for Human Rights, Bosnia and Herzegovina  
**Moderator: Denis Presova**, Faculty of Law, UKIM Skopje, Macedonia

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**Day 2**

**October 04, 2012**

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***What model of NHRIs do we need? Evidence from the Think-tanks***

**10.00 - 11.30**

**Uranija Pirovska**, Helsinki Committee for Human Rights of the Republic of Macedonia, Macedonia  
**Natyra Avdiu**, Youth Initiative for Human Rights, Kosovo  
**Tamara Milas**, Center for Civic Education, Montenegro  
**Milica V. Matijevic**, Institute of Comparative Law, Serbia  
**Moderator: Mia Karamehic**, Human Rights Center, Bosnia and Herzegovina

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**11.30 - 12.30**

***Lunch Break***

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***What NHRI Model for Macedonia?***

**12.30 - 13.45**

**Biljana Kotevska**, Studiorum, Macedonia  
**Bekim Kadriu**, Faculty of Law, State University of Tetovo, Macedonia  
**Nenad Markovic**, Faculty of Law, UKIM Skopje, Macedonia  
**Moderator: Donce Boskovski**, Ombudsman Institution of Republic of Macedonia, Macedonia

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**13.45 - 14.45**

***Closing Session: Recommendations and Conclusions***

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