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“Regional Co-operation in South Eastern Europe – Prospects and Challenges for the Regional Co-operation Council

28/29 April 2008

Hotel Holiday Inn Sarajevo, Zmaja od Bosne 4, 71000 Sarajevo

Program

Monday, 28 April

Arrival of Participants

15:30 hrs Welcome / Opening

Hansjörg Brey, Executive Director, Southeast Europe Association, Munich

Michael Schmunk, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to Bosnia-Herzegovina, Sarajevo

15:45 hrs Session I – Regional Co-operation as a Political Process - Achievements and Lessons Learnt

Chair: Jelica Minić, Chairperson, Institute for Economic Sciences, Belgrade

Introductory statement: Erhard Busek, Special Co-ordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe

18:00 hrs Panel Discussion on the Future of Regional Co-operation in South Eastern Europe

(open to the public, media and the diplomatic representations and international organisations in Sarajevo)

Moderator: Michael Schmunk, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to Bosnia-Herzegovina, Sarajevo

Statements by:

Hido Bišćević, Secretary General of the Regional Co-operation Council,
Sarajevo

Jan Truszczynski, Deputy Director General for Enlargement, European
Commission, Brussels

Erhard Busek, Special Co-ordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern
Europe, Brussels

Open Discussion

19:30 hrs Reception

Tuesday, 29 April

**09:00 hrs Session II – Regional Co-operation to Address Substantial Challenges in
SEE in the Field of Democracy, Economy and Security**

Chair: Hido Bišćević, Secretary General of the Regional Co-operation Council

Introductory statements on the priority areas of the RCC:

Economic and Social Development: Jelica Minić, Chairperson, Institute for
Economic Sciences, Belgrade

Infrastructure, Energy: Franz Kaps, Senior Partnership Advisor, Europe and
Central Asia Region, World Bank, Munich

Justice and Home Affairs: Uwe Kranz, International Security Consultant,
Oberzell

Security Co-operation: Efrem Radev, Senior Expert on Security Issues,
Regional Co-operation Council

Building Human Capital: Hedwig Morvai-Horvath, Executive Director,
European Fund for the Balkans, Belgrade

Parliamentary Co-operation: Petra Bläss, Former Senior Consultant to the
Stability Pact on Parliamentary Cooperation, Berlin

12:00 hrs Session III – Regional Co-operation, European Integration and the Role of the Regional Co-operation Council

Chair: Wim van Meurs, Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen / Southeast Europe Association

Introductory statement by Jan Truszczyński, Deputy Director General for Enlargement, European Commission, Brussels

13:00 hrs Closing Session – Conclusions for the Future of Regional Co-operation in Southeast Europe

Chair: Erhard Busek, Special Co-ordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe, Brussels

Short presentation of summaries of sessions I-III by rapporteurs

14:00 hrs End of Workshop

Lunch

15:45 – 16:30 hrs Visit to the Regional Co-operation Council Secretariat (optional)