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VIth IPA REGIONAL PUBLIC PROCUREMENT CONFERENCE

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Danilovgrad, Montenegro, 20-21 June 2013
ReSPA premises*

AGENDA

Thursday, 20th June 2013

09.00 – 09.30	Registration
09.30 – 10.00	Opening of the conference and welcome remarks <i>Suad MUSIC, Director of ReSPA</i> <i>Olivier MOREAU, Senior Advisor, Public Procurement, SIGMA</i>
10.00 – 10.30	New EU legislative package on public procurement: state of play <i>Jari KALLIO, DG Internal Market and Services, European Commission</i>
10.30 – 10.50	Coffee break
10.50 – 11.30	Public procurement training in the IPA region: the prospects <i>Panel session</i>
11.30 – 12.00	Utilities: from exclusive rights to liberalisation - the rationale for flexibility in Directive 2004/17/EC <i>Colin MAUND, Director, Hellios Information Management Ltd</i>
12.00 – 12.30	Questions and answers
12.30 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 14.30	Utilities: how the EU Directive is implemented and how it works in EU Member States <i>Elisabeth STAVRESKI, Head of Procurement, Southend-on-sea Borough Council</i>
14.30 – 14.50	Questions and answers
14.50 – 15.10	Coffee break
15.10 – 15.40	Utilities: how the EU Directive is managed in a network operator of the Western Balkans <i>Slagjana NIKOLIKJ NIKOLOVSKA, Head of Procurement, EVN Macedonia</i>
15.40 – 16.00	Questions and answers
16.00 – 16.15	Summary and close of day 1
17.00 onwards	Trip to Kotor and dinner

09.00 – 10.20	Development of the national public procurement framework in IPA countries: the current challenges and how they are overcome in: <i>Albania</i> <i>Bosnia and Herzegovina</i> <i>Croatia</i> <i>The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia</i>
10.20 – 10.50	SIGMA views on public procurement reform: how to shift from legal compliance to managing the whole procurement cycle <i>Marian LEMKE, Senior Advisor, SIGMA</i>
10.50 – 11.10	Coffee break
11.10 – 12.30	Development of the national public procurement framework in IPA countries (continued): the current challenges and how they are overcome in: <i>Montenegro</i> <i>Kosovo*</i> <i>Serbia</i> <i>Turkey</i>
12.30 – 13.00	Questions and answers
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 14.30	European Union law and defence integration: value for money is also at stake in defence procurement <i>Aris GEORGOPOULOS, Lecturer, University of Nottingham</i>
14.30 – 14.50	Coffee break
14.50 – 15.20	Implementing Directive 2009/81/EC: a practitioner's views <i>Bernard PIEKARSKI, Engineer, French Armaments Procurement Agency (DGA)</i>
15.20 – 15.40	Plenary discussion
15.40 – 16.00	Summary and close of the conference

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