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Lithuanian EU Pre-Presidency conference

Institute of International Relations and Political Science, Vilnius University, in association with TEPSA

July, 4–5, 2013

Preliminary program

Thursday, July 4

Venue: The Presidential Palace, S. Dūkanto a. 3

9.00 Welcome

Her Excellency Dalia Grybauskaitė, President of Lithuania

Jean Paul Jacqué, Secretary General of TEPSA

Ramūnas Vilpišauskas, Director of Institute of International Relations and Political Science

9.15 Session 1. Priorities of Lithuanian Presidency

Chair: Ramūnas Vilpišauskas, Director of Institute of International Relations and Political Science

Algirdas Butkevičius, Prime Minister of Lithuania

Linus Linkevičius, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Lithuania

Presentation of recommendations by Representatives of TEPSA Network (Jaap de Zwaan, Erasmus University Rotterdam, TEPSA Board Member)

9.45 Session 2. Eastern Partnership and EU's role in the neighborhood

Subjects to be covered: the state of Eastern partnership and reforms in partner countries, interests of the EU, border management, visa and trade liberalization, external energy supply



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Chair: Olaf Osica, Centre for Eastern Studies

Panelists:

Klaudijus Maniokas, Institute of International Relations and Political Science

Andrew Wilson, European Council on Foreign Relations

Kristi Raik, Finnish Institute of International Affairs

Gunilla Herolf, Royal Swedish Academy of War Sciences, TEPSA Board Member

11.00 Coffee break

11.30 Session 3. How common is energy policy?

Subjects to be covered: progress in energy and transport infrastructure projects, liberalization of energy market and integrating isolated areas

Chair: Romas Švedas, Institute of International Relations and Political Science, former Vice minister of Energy

Panelists:

Jaroslavas Neverovičius, Minister of Energy

Andres Mäe, independent analyst

Alan Riley, City University London

Andris Spruds, Latvian Institute of International Affairs

12.45 Lunch

14.15 Session 4. Economic governance reforms

Assessment of ongoing creation of the banking union, governance reforms (European semester)

Chair: Hanna Ojanen, Finnish Institute of International Affairs, TEPSA Board Member

Panelists:

Ingrida Šimonytė, former Minister of Finance

Jonas Čičinskas, Institute of International Relations and Political Science

Iain Begg, London School of Economics and Political Science, TEPSA Board Member

András Inotai, Institute for World Economics of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, TEPSA Board Member



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15.30 Coffee break

16.00 Session 5. Challenge of differentiation in the EU

Relationship between euro zone members and non-members, institutional reforms and legitimacy issues

Chair: Gianni Bonvicini, IAI, TEPSA Board Member

Panelists:

Petras Auštrevičius, Deputy Speaker of the Seimas

Ahto Lobjakas, Estonian Foreign Policy Institute

Jaap de Zwaan, Erasmus University Rotterdam, TEPSA Board Member

Funda Tekin, Institut für Europäische Politik

17.00 Closing remarks

Ramūnas Vilpišauskas, Director of Institute of International Relations and Political Science

Wolfgang Wessels, TEPSA Chairperson

17.30 End of the conference

18.30 Reception/Dinner

Venue: Restaurant "La Traviata", Liejyklos g. 11/23

Friday, July 5

Venue: Institute of International Relations and Political Science (IIRPS), Vilnius University

08.45 TEPSA general assembly (restricted to TEPSA members)

12.00 Lunch