



WESTERN BALKANS AT THE CROSSROADS: ASSESSING NON-DEMOCRATIC EXTERNAL INFLUENCE ACTIVITIES

WORKSHOP AGENDA

Venue: PSSI, Pohořelec 6, Praha 1, 118 00

Date: May 29–30, 2018

PROGRAM

Tuesday, May 29 (closed session)

14:00 – 15:00 Introduction of the project and the project team

15:00 – 16:30 Protection from foreign influence activities – Czech experience

- Jan Marián (Ministry of Foreign Affairs) – Czech experience with protection from foreign influence
- Petr Lang (PSSI) – mechanism for screening of foreign investments
- Jonáš Srovátka (PSSI) – media and disinformation

17:00 – 18:00 Project outputs and responsibilities overview

19:30 Dinner: **Malostranská beseda**, Malostranské náměstí 35/21, Praha 1

Wednesday, May 30

10:00 – 12:30 External powers' interests and influence strategies: How can we understand them and study them? – putting Russian, Chinese, Gulf States' and Turkish influence activities in a broader context – brief presentations will be followed by a debate with all the participants

- Daniel Heler (Institute of International Relations) – ethical-methodological issues
- Mitchell Belfer (Metropolitan University Prague) – Turkey and the Gulf states
- Václav Kopecký (Association for International Affairs, AMO) – China
- Jan Šír (Charles University) – Russia



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12:30 – 14:00 **Lunch: Café U Zrcadla, Úvoz 22, Hradčany, Praha 1**

14:00 – 16:30 **Western Balkans at the crossroads– assessing vulnerability and external powers' influence in Serbia, Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Macedonia and Kosovo –**
brief presentations will be followed by a debate with all the participants

- Adnan Huskić (University of Sarajevo) – West vs. East in the Balkans: EU and NATO integration vs. non-democratic countries - conflict of interests?
- Maja Bjeloš – Serbia
- Martin Naunov – Macedonia
- Hana Semanić – Montenegro
- Nektar Zogjani – Kosovo
- Srećko Latal – Bosnia and Herzegovina

17:00 – 18:00 **Concluding session (only the project team) – discussing project methodology and vocabulary**

Other participants

Břetislav Tureček	Metropolitan University Prague
Gordana Knezevic	Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty
Tomáš Jungwirth	Association for International Affairs
Karla Koutková	Palacký University Olomouc
Filip Jirouš	Sinopsis
Petr Čermák	Masaryk University Brno
Matěj Denk	Charles University