



BULGARIA ECONOMIC FORUM

Bulgaria on the EU road to 2020

3-4 December 2014, Sofia Hotel Balkan

3 December 2014 (Wednesday)

15:30 – 17:00 Registration for Bulgaria Economic Forum

17:00 – 17:45 **Official Opening of Bulgaria Economic Forum**

17:45 – 18:45 Key Note Speech

Professor Steve H. Hanke: Global Financial Trends. Bulgaria's Performance - What's Next?

19:00 – 21:00 Official Cocktail

4 December 2014 (Thursday)

8:30 – 9:15 Registration for Bulgaria Economic Forum

Hall Royal 1

Part 1: Finance

9:15 – 10:15 **Round Table:**
Fiscal stability, state budget, external debt and perspectives for Bulgaria's accession to the Eurozone

10:15 – 11:15 **Round Table:**
Current state of the banking sector in Bulgaria

11:30 – 12:30 **Round Table:**
Current financial state of the energy sector in Bulgaria

Hall Royal 2

Part 2: EU Funds

Presentation of the common budget framework and the financing priorities of the new EU Programmes

9:15 – 09:45 - **OP Human Resources Development” 2014-2020**

09:45 – 10:30 - **OP Innovations and Competitiveness 2014-2020**

10:30 – 11:00 - **OP Regions in Growth 2014-2020**

Presentation of EU Programms

11:15- 12:00 - **OP Transport and Transport Infrastructure 2014-2020**

12:00- 12:30- **OP Environment 2014-2020**

Hall Royal 3

Part 3: Balkan Trade Bridge

9:30 – 10:30 **Registration for Balkan Trade Bridge**

10:30 – 10:45 **Official Opening of Balkan Trade Bridge**

10:45 – 12:30 **Round table: The promotion of foreign trade – factor for economic prosperity**

- Financial instruments for promotion of exports;
- Challenges of accessing international markets;
- Will Bulgaria start exporting innovative products and high-level-processed goods;
- Products marketing abroad;
- Institutional and political framework for promotion of exports.



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Serdika Hall

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

Hall Royal 1 Part 1: Finance

14:00 – 15:00 **Round table:
Financial state of the National Social
Security Institute and the National Health
Insurance Fund**

15:00 – 15:15 Coffee-break

15:00 – 15:30 **Best practices in promoting
of SMEs in Austria, Italy, Spain and
Romania as a measure against the crisis in
Europe**

Hall Royal 2 AGRO-START Conference

12:30 – 13:30
Registration for AGRO-START

13:30 – 15:00
**Support and promotion approaches for
SMEs in the animal breeding and
horticulture sectors**

15:00 – 15:15 Coffee-break

15:15 – 16:30
**Trends and needs in the provision of
business support services for SMEs in the
animal breeding and horticulture sectors**

Hall Royal 3 Balkan Trade Bridge

14:00 – 16:30

**B2B meetings in the frame of
Balkan Trade Bridge**

Co-organizers:

*Bulgarian-Serbian Chamber of Commerce
and Industry*

Italian Chamber of Commerce in Bulgaria