

BALKAN FORUM 2020 AGENDA

THESSALONIKI 27 & 28 / MARCH 2020 - TIF

«FOR THE ENTREPRENEURSHIP & INNOVATION»

1ST DAY (Emilios Riadis Hall)

9.00-10.00 Proposition by Deputy Minister of Interior, proposition by EU representative, greetings by governmental & embassies' representatives.

10.00-12.30 1st Thematic Unit: Policies for growth and support by structures/programs for entrepreneurship and innovation in the Balkans.
Representatives by the Ministry of Development and Investments of Greece, Bulgaria, Rumania, Serbia, Albania, Republic of North Macedonia.

12.30-13.30 Coffee break.

13.30-15.30 2nd Thematic Unit: Business and technology networking and synergies in the Balkans.

2.1 Setting the scene: Boosting an innovative entrepreneurship ecosystem – what have we learned?

2.2 The EU's role in creating favorable entrepreneurship support ecosystems in the Balkans – viewpoints of entrepreneurs and actors.

Representatives by SEV (Hellenic Federation of Enterprises), SEVE (Greek Exporters Association), GSEVEE (Hellenic Confederation of Professionals, Craftsmen & Merchants) and by related Balkan business associations.

15.30-16.00 Coffee break

16.00-18.00 3rd Thematic Unit: Configuration of European Territorial Cooperation Programmes Interreg in the Balkans και S.E. Europe 2021-2027 & capitalization of previous Program Periods good practices.

Representatives by M.A. Interreg, Balkan-Med, Black-Sea, Med, Adrion, DG Regio, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, General Secretariat for Investments and Development, G.D. of Ministry of Interior (Sector Macedonia & Thrace)

21.00 Conference Gala`

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2ND DAY (Emilios Riadis Hall)

9.00 Public attendance (Coffee)

9.30-11.30 4th Thematic Unit: Incorporation of successful innovative practices and scientific collaborations in the Balkans' business culture.

4.1 On track towards a more innovative, better accessible and more sustainable route: actions that have taken place till today.

4.2. Boosting innovation –led growth in the Balkan Region: Present situation and future possibilities.

AUTH, UoM, AIZ SA, CERTH, CEDEFOP & related Balkan Associations of research and promotion of innovation networks.

11.30-12.00 Coffee Break

12.00-14.00 5th Thematic Unit: Green Entrepreneurship and circular economy through innovative actions and funding tools.

5.1 Transition towards a sustainable Green Growth future.

5.2. Supporting a sustainable green economy through cooperation in the Balkans.

Economic Chamber of Greece, Technical Chamber of Greece, GeoTechnical Chamber of Greece, MA Interreg, Ministry of Development and Investments, EU funding actors, environmental innovation actors, Ministry Of Interior (Sector Macedonia & Thrace), Balkan countries' representatives.

14.00-15.00 Coffee break

15.00-16.00 Germany (Honored Country in the TIF 2020) in the context of BALKAN FORUM with the collaboration of the Greek –German Chamber

Representatives by TIF, HELEXPO, Ministry Of Interior (Sector Macedonia & Thrace), Greek –German Chamber.

16.00-16.30 Forum closure and conclusions by Deputy Minister of Interior Mr. Karaoglou Th.

17.00 Guided tours in historic places in Thessaloniki.

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****The coordinators of the thematic units will be executives by the Ministry of Interior (Sector Macedonia & Thrace) & Interreg****



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