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Round Table

Advisory Councils – Opportunities for Change

26.05.2015, "Radisson Blu" Hotel, Sofia

9.30 – 10.00 Registration

10.00 – 10.30 **Openning**

Hristo Ivanov, Minister of Justice, Bulgaria
Boyka Marinska, Chair, Interaction with Non-Governmental Organizations and Citizens Complaints Committee, National Assembly, Bulgaria
PhD Irina Alexieva, Executive Director, Bulgarian School of Politics "Dimitry Panitza"

10.30 – 10.50 **Advisory Bodies – Opportunities for Change**
Presentation of the main conclusions from the analysis on the advisory councils to the executive power in Bulgaria and the experience in the consultation process with citizens in 10 European countries conducted by the BSoP "Dimitry Panitza"

Daniela Simeonova, Program Director, Bulgarian School of Politics "Dimitry Panitza"

10.50 – 11.20 **Public consultations in the decision-making process – the European experience**

Patrick Trees, Secretary General, Canton Bern Parliament, Switzerland

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11.20 – 12.30 **How to hear more clearly the voice of the citizens?**

Moderator: Daniela Simeonova, Program Director, Bulgarian School of Politics "Dimitry Panitza"

Experience and ideas will share:
Slaveya Hristova, Executive Director and Deputy Chair of the Board, Balkan Assist
Luben Panov, Executive Director, BCNL
Georgi Bogdanov, Executive Director, Netional Network for Children
Milena Nedeva, Advisor, Political Cabinet, Deputy Prime Minister Rumyana Bachvarova

Discussion among all participants in the round table

12.30 – 12.45 Conclusions and closing of the round table

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