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## Regional Conference

# „Membership in the European Union – Constitutional Challenges for South East Europe Applicant Countries“

December 2, 2011

Conference Hall II, Hotel Arka, Skopje, Macedonia

### DRAFT-AGENDA

- 09:45 – 10:00 *Welcome and registration of participants*
- 10:00 – 10:45 **Opening session**  
Welcoming remarks
- Mr. Aleksandar Nikolov, *Executive Director of the Association for Development Initiatives – Zenith*
- Opening addresses
- H.E. Ms. Teuta Arifi, *Deputy Prime Minister for European Affairs* (TBA)
  - Mr. Robert Liddell, *Chargé d’Affaires a.i. Delegation of the European Union* (TBA)
  - Tatjana von Steiger Weber, *Head of the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation in Macedonia*
  - Mr. Thorsten Geissler, *Director of the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung – Rule of Law Program South East Europe*
  - Ms. Anja Czymmeck, *Head of the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung Office In Macedonia* (TBA)
- 10:45 – 11:00 *Coffee/Networking break*
- 11:00 – 11:45 **Presentation**  
**Comparative study “Membership in the European Union – Constitutional challenges for South East European applicant countries”**
- Dr. Jens Woelk, *Professor of Comparative Constitutional Law at the Faculty of Law, University of Trento, Italy*
- 11:45 – 12:30 **The constitutional view: potential conflict and the legitimacy issue**  
*Discussion on national perspectives*
- 12:30 – 13:15 **The role of Constitutional Courts: defining “constitutional tolerance”**  
*Discussion on national perspectives*
- 13:15 – 13:30 **Closing remarks**
- Mr. Aleksandar Nikolov, *Executive Director of the Association for Development Initiatives – Zenith*
- 13:30 – 14:30 *Lunch*