

INVITATION TO SEMINAR

Quo vadis, Democracy?

Goals:

- To discuss current developments in democracy with particular focus on Israel, USA, EU and V4 region. Are we moving from liberal to populist democracy? What are the threats and how to prevent negative developments?
- To discuss the influence of Russian propaganda using social media in V4 region. Is it really there and how influential it is? How does it communicate and with whom? What are the threats and how to prevent them?

Organizer: INEKO – Institute for Economic and Social Reforms, Bratislava, Slovakia Partners: Israel Public Diplomacy Forum, Konrad Adenauer Stiftung Date: March 28th, 2017 Venue: Representation of the European Commission in the Slovak Republic, Palisády 29, Bratislava, Slovakia Language: English/Slovak with simultaneous interpreting

Agenda:

13:00 - 13:30 Registration

13:30 - 15:00

Panel 1: Are we moving from liberal to populist democracy?

Moderator: Peter Golias, INEKO Director

- 13:30 13:35 Peter Golias Opening remarks
- 13:35 13:50 Livia Vasakova, Representation of the EC in Slovakia, Economic Counsellor
- 13:50 14:10 Eytan Gilboa, Israel Public Diplomacy Forum
- 14:10 14:25 Grigorij Meseznikov, Institute for Public Affairs
- 14:25 15:00 Discussion

15:00 – 15:15 Coffee break

15:15 - 17:00

Panel 2: What is the role of Russian propaganda in social media in V4 region?

Moderator: Grigorij Meseznikov, Institute for Public Affairs

- 15:15 15:20 Grigorij Meseznikov Opening remarks
- 15:20 15:40 Lior Tabansky, Israel Public Diplomacy Forum
- 15:40 15:55 Hanspeter Weidenhammer, NATO Forces Integration Unit, Chief of Staff
- 15:55 16:10 Radovan Branik, activist, expert on extremism
- 16:10 17:00 Discussion

Read more about the seminar: Quo vadis, Democracy?

RSVP by 24/03/2017 to the address <u>kovacik@ineko.sk</u>. Due to the capacity constrains we accept limited number of responses in the order in which they will come.