

## SOCIAL POLICY FOR GROWTH – THE CENTER-RIGHT WAY

*Sofia, Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2014  
Hotel Balkan, Royal 1 Hall, 5, St.Nedlya Sq., Sofia 1000*

### AGENDA

09.30 – 10.00	<b>Registration</b>
10.00 – 10.30	<b>Opening</b>  <i>Mr Marco Arndt Ph.D., Head of Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung Bulgaria Mrs Rumiana Bachvarova, Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Bulgaria on Coalition Affairs and State Administration</i>
10.30 – 11.30	<b>Panel I</b>  <b>The center-right social policy – investment for growth</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Common principles and differences with the left social policy</li> <li>• Successful models</li> <li>• The situation in Bulgaria</li> </ul> <b>Ivaylo Kalfin</b> , Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Bulgaria on Social Policy and Minister of Labour and Social Policy <b>Totyu Mladenov</b> , Social Policy Advisor to the Prime-Minister, Minister of Labour and Social Policy 2009-2013 <b>Ivan Neykov</b> , Minister of Labour and Social Policy 1997-2001 *** <i>Moderator: Boyko Vassilev, BNT</i>
11.30 – 11.45	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.45 – 12.45	<b>Panel II</b>  <b>The interaction between the business and the labour market – a key factor for employment and economic growth</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key challenges</li> <li>• Center-right measures and solutions</li> </ul>

	<p><b>Svetla Kostadinova</b>, Institute for Market Economy  <b>Asen Angelov</b>, Head of Employment Agency  <b>Konstantin Trenchev, PhD</b>, President of the LC „Podkrepa“  <b>Stiliyan Balasopulov</b>, Chair of the National Union of Trade &amp; Production Cooperations and member of the Bulgarian Economic Chamber  ***  <i>Moderator: Valentina Simeonova, Deputy Minister of Labour and Social Policy 2009-2013</i></p>
12.45 – 13.15	<i>Light lunch</i>
13.15 – 14.15	<p><b>Panel III</b></p> <p><b>Interaction between the education system, the business needs and the labour market</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key challenges</li> <li>• Center-right measures and solutions</li> </ul> <p><b>Milena Damyanova, MP GERB, PC on Education</b>  <b>Levon Hampartzoumian</b>, Chair of the Executive Board of the Association of Banks in Bulgaria  <b>Yulia Simeonova</b>, Executive Secretary of CITUB for Education and Qualification, Head of the College for Workers' Education of CITUB  <b>Lachezar Bogdanov</b>, Executive Director of Industry Watch  <b>Doz. Boris Stefanov</b>, Deputy Rector of the Chemistry and Technology University, Sofia  ***  <i>Moderator: Dobrina Tcheshmedzhieva, BNT</i></p>
14.15 – 14.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
14.30 – 15.00	<p><b>Panel IV</b></p> <p><b>Conclusion – ideas for development/measures and specific proposals</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key challenges</li> <li>• Center-right measures and solutions</li> </ul> <p><b>Deyana Kostadinova</b>, Social Policy Secretary of the President of the Republic of Bulgaria</p>