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## **PROGRAMME**

### **THE LEGACY OF TOTALITARIANISM. THE INFLUENCE OF THE SYSTEM OVER SENSITIVE SECTORS OF SOCIAL LIFE.**

MONDAY | 1 JUNE 2015 | 10.00 – 13.15 | SOFIA | SOFIA UNIVERSITY, OGLEDALNA ZALA

#### **9:00 - 10:00 REGISTRATION**

#### **10:00 - 10:20 OPENING**

**Manol Glishev**

Sofia Discussion Forum

**His Excellency Mr. Pavel Vacek**

Ambassador of the Czech Republic in Bulgaria

#### **10.20 – 10.30**

Mr. Hristo Anastasov

**Moderator**

Mr. Kiril Chukavov

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#### **10:30 - 10:45**

**Mr. Alexander Vondra**

Foreign Policy Advisor to President Václav Havel /1990-1992/

Czech Republic's First Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs /1992 -1996/

Czech Government Commissioner responsible for preparation of 2002 Prague summit of the NATO

Deputy Foreign Minister/ January to July 2003/

Minister of Foreign Affairs/ 4 September 2006 – 9 January 2007/

Deputy Prime Minister for European Affairs/ 9 January 2007 – 8 May 2009/

Minister of Defence/13 July 2010 – 7 December 2012/

**10:45 - 11:00**

### **THE SUBSTITUTION OF THE ELITES IN BULGARIA 1949-1989**

**Toni Nikolov**

Philosopher and journalist. Currently he is Editor-in-chief of the web-portal *Culture* and lecturer in the Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski". Author of the book *Bulgaria Fragmented* (2015). He specialized in the Pontifical Oriental Institute (PIO, Rome) and in the School for Higher Humanitarian Studies (EHES, Paris) in the group of Professor Jacques Le Goff. He is member of the International Society for research of the medieval philosophy (S.I.E.P.M) in Louvain. In 2005-2012 he was Editor-in-chief of the Radio France International – Bulgaria.

**11:00 - 11:15**

### **IS THE TRANSITION CONSPIRATIVE?**

**Momchil Metodiev**, Doctor Habilitas in Philosophy

Author of the books: *Between Faith and Compromise. The Bulgarian Orthodox Church and the communist state, 1944-1989* (2010) and *Legitimacy Machine. The Place of the State Security within the communist state* (2008). He is Editor in Chief of the *Christianity and Culture Journal* and research fellow in the Institute for Study of the Recent Past in Sofia. He took part in the compilation of several documentary collections published by the Bulgarian Dossier Commission. He also worked in several Bulgarian and International Projects on the research of the communist past including on the Cold War Research Project in the Woodrow Wilson Institute in Washington, DC.

**11:15 - 11:30 COFFEE BREAK**

**11.30 - 13.00 OPEN DISCUSSION**

**13.00 – 13.15 CLOSING**