

# 11<sup>th</sup> Bled Forum on Europe

## *Foresight Conference*



## The Future of Information Society and Challenges for Good Governance

### **GOALS OF THE 11th BLED FORUM ON EUROPE FORESIGHT CONFERENCE:**

1. to contribute to the further advancement of future oriented and knowledge based good governance in the world, in Europe and particularly in South Eastern Europe
2. to identify some of the key challenges in the future development of Information Society and put forward internationally coordinated responses to the identified challenges
3. to present examples of good practice in policy making and utilisation of foresight results
4. to organise foresight capacity building workshop (Western Balkan Futures) and facilitate networking and mutual learning and
5. to further develop a comprehensive view for Information Society development in South Eastern Europe (post-Malmo and eSEE Agenda +)

### *Draft programme Bled Forum Foresight Conference 2010 – Core/Plenary Event*

#### **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> of March**

##### **14.00 Opening and introduction:**

- Mr. **Blaž Golob**, Director, Centre for eGovernance Development (CeGD), President, Bled Forum on Europe

##### **Welcome Addresses:**

- Mr. **Aleš Dobnikar**, Ministry of Public Administration, Government of Slovenia
- Mr. **Sanjin Arifagić**; Head of Unit on Economic and Social Development, Regional Cooperation Council (RCC)
- Mr. **Franci Demšar**; Director, Slovenian Research Agency (ARRS)
- Mr. **Miroslav Polzer**; Director, Austrian Science and Research Liaison Office Ljubljana (ASO Ljubljana)
- Mr. **Matej Potokar**, Director, Microsoft Slovenia

14.30

Key note speech:

**Global Challenges and Information Society Development**  
**Mr. Jerome C. Glenn** Director of Millennium Project

15.10 -16.30

**SESSION I: THE FUTURE OF INFORMATION SOCIETY**

Chairperson: **Mr. Nikolaj Simič**, Director General, Directorate for the Information Society, Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology; Republic of Slovenia (TBC)

Cloud computing: A productivity opportunity, a policy challenge!

**Mr. Wilfried Grommen**; RTO Microsoft CEE, Microsoft Public Sector Headquarter Central Eastern Europe

Visualisation of Digital Divide in the World

**Mr. Pavle Sicherl**; SICENTER

Cross border co-operation and Interoperability (20 min)

**Mr. Yannis Charalabidis**; Assistant professor at University of Aegean, Greece and Manager of the Greek Interoperability Centre (GiC)

Discussion

**16.15 – 16.30 Coffee break**

16.30 – 18.00

**SESSION II: EU AGENDA FOR INFORMATION SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT /  
POST MALMÖ TO- DO-LIST**

Chairperson: **Ms. Maja Zupančič**, Ministry of Public Administration, Government of Slovenia, member of CeGD Programme Advisory Committee

Results of the 5<sup>th</sup> Ministerial eGovernment Conference, Malmö, Sweden 2009

**Ms. Alenka Žužek Nemec**, Secretary, Ministry of Public Administration, Government of Slovenia

The Impact of Social Computing: Challenges and Opportunities for Europe

**Mr. Yves Punie**, European Commission JRC/IPTS

Innovative Cross-border eRegion Development in the Living Labs Environment

**Mr. Jože Gričar**; Director eCenter University of Maribor

Discussion

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19.00

**Presentation on Social Responsibility of Leaders (IEDC Bled School of Management)**

**Ms. Danica Purg**, President, IEDC Management School

**Ms. Nadya Zhexembayeva**; President, UN Global Compact Slovenia

19.30

Networking gathering at IEDC

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> of March**

**9.00 - 10.30**

**Session III Good practice cases on eGovernance**

Knowledge Sharing Platform

Chairperson: **Ms. Jana Kolar**, Ministry of Higher education, Science and Technology, Government of Slovenia; Director, Directorate for Science

Management and funding of research in the era of Information Society (eResearch)

**Mr. Franci Demšar**; Director, Slovenian Research Agency

Internet Business Solutions Group (eBusiness )

**Mr. Jožek Gruškovnjak**; Director IBSG CISCO

eDemocracy

**Mr. Simon Delakorda**; Executive Director, Institute for Electronic Participation - INePA

eSecurity & eHealth

**Mr. Robert Sraka**; Research Director, Vzajemna

Discussion

**10.40 – 11.00 Coffee break**

**11.00 – 12.30**

**Session IV: Regional perspectives for progress and development**

Chairperson: TBD

Development of Knowledge Based Society in South Eastern Europe / the role of RCC

**Mr. Mladen Dragašević**; Head of Unit on Building Human Capacity and Parliamentary Cooperation, Regional Cooperation Council (RCC)

Cross border co-operation and potentials of South Eastern Europe

**Mr. Goran Radman**; Dean, Vern University, Chairman Business Advisory Council;

Strategic eGovernance initiatives and overview of IT industry in India

**Mr. Jose Jacob K.**, Independent consultant and former faculty member, Xavier Institute of Management, India

Extending future EU-Western Balkan ICT RTD cooperation through ICT priority setting and activities contrasting the current barriers: **the [SCORE](#) and [WINS-ICT FP projects](#)**

**Ms. Désirée Pecarz**, Project Manager, Unit for Research Policy and Development, Centre for Social Innovation

**Fast Track Interreg project ([B3 - Regions for Better BroadBand Connection](#))**

**Mr. Enrico Ferro**, Senior Researcher, Technology & Business Intelligence Area, Istituto Superiore Mario Boella

**12.30 – 13.00 Presentation of Western Balkan Futures: Foresight 2020 Project**

**Mr. Blaž Golob** (Centre for eGovernance Development) and **Mr. Ozcan Saritas**  
(Manchester University)

Contribution of Western Balkan Countries to the Future of Europe -Knowledge Society  
Development Foresight for Western Balkan countries;

**13.00 -13.15 XI. Bled Forum Declaration on Information Society and Good Governance**  
**VII PILLARS of eGOVERNANCE**

**Mr. Tomaž Boh;** (Vice President Bled Forum on Europe, Head of Science Sector, Ministry  
of Higher Education, Science and Technology)

## Organizers of the 11<sup>th</sup> Bled Forum on Europe:



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