

Final Conference

“THE DEVELOPMENTAL EFFECTS OF REMITTANCES IN THE WESTERN BALKANS”

Stone Bridge Hotel

Monday, 4 November, 2013

11.00 hours for journalists

11.30 hours for presenters and guests

Agenda

11.00-11.30

Press conference / Meeting with journalists

Marjan Petreski, Branimir Jovanovic, Laetitia Duval

11.30-12.00

Registration

Conference starts at 12.00

12.00-12.30, Keynote speaker

Dr. Laetitia Duval, Université François-Rabelais de Tours, France

“The consumption-enhancing effect of remittances: Evidence from Kosovo”

12.30-14.00

PANEL 1: “Remittances, jobs and investment”

Moderator: Dr. Marjan Petreski, University American College Skopje

Dr. Hyrie Abazi, Southeast European University Macedonia

“Migrant Remittances: The Tale of Two Pollog Valley Villages”

Ms. Lejla Kamenijas, CEDAR, Bosnia and Herzegovina

“Diaspora’s potential”

Dr. Nikica Mojsoska-Blazevski, University American College Skopje

“Youth self-employment in households receiving remittances in Macedonia”

Dr. Marjan Petreski, University American College Skopje

“Remittances and self-employment in the Western Balkans: A comparative perspective”

14.00-14.30

Cocktail

14.30-15.30

PANEL 2: “Remittances, poverty and inequality”

Moderator: Mr. Branimir Jovanovic, University of Rome Tor Vergata, National Bank of the Republic of Macedonia

Dr. Aneta Krstevska, National Bank of the Republic of Macedonia

“Private transfers in Macedonia”

Mr. Sokol Havolli, Central Bank of Kosovo

“Determinants of remittances”

Branimir Jovanovic, University of Rome Tor Vergata, National Bank of the Republic of Macedonia

“Remittances, poverty and inequality in the Western Balkans: A comparative perspective”

15.30-16.00

Dr. Marjan Petreski, Mr. Branimir Jovanovic, Mr. Sokol Havolli, Ms. Lejla Kamenijas

Discussion, policy recommendations, wrap up

* The event will be conducted in English without simultaneous translation, except for the press conference.