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BALKAN SECURITY 2011: GETTING RID OF THE PAST

Third annual international expert conference on the Western Balkans

organized by the Manfred Wörner Foundation

in cooperation with the Social Science Research Center of the HASc

Budapest, 3-4 March, 2011

Preliminary Conference Agenda

Venue: Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest, Castle District, Országház utca 30. Jakobinus Hall

March 3, Thursday

09.30 Registration

10.00 *Opening remarks:* **Amb. Tamás Katona**, Chairman of the Board, Manfred Wörner Foundation, Budapest; and **József Juhász**, Senior Research Fellow, Social Science Research Center, HASc,

10.20 *Keynote address:* **Amb. István Gyarmati**, President & CEO, ICDDT

10.45 **PANEL 1. European Political Cultures: Continental Standards and Regional Specifics**

Chair: **Sonja Licht**, President and Founder, BFPE, Belgrade

Participants:

Pál Tamás, Research Professor and Director, Societal Research Center, Corvinus University, Budapest
Zeljko Grubestic, Acting Secretary, Committee on Security and Defense, Sarajevo
Imre Szilágyi, Senior Research Fellow, Hungarian Institute of International Affairs, Budapest
Hedvig Morvai-Horvat, Executive Director, European Fund for the Balkans, Belgrade
Branimir Mandić, Assistant to the Minister for Multilateral Affairs, MFA, Sarajevo

13.00 Buffet Lunch

14.00 PANEL 2. A Balkan Predestination? Security Challenges in the Western Balkans

Chair: **Zoltán Martinusz**, Principal Adviser to the President, Cabinet of the President of the European Council, Brussels

Participants:

Prof.dr Radovan Vukadinovic, President, Centre for International Studies, Zagreb

Zoltán Nagy, Deputy Head of Department, MFA, Budapest

Prof.Vito Bobek, Maribor University, Maribor

Riza Halimi, MP, Founder and Chairman, Party for Democratic Action, Belgrade

Mr. Mijo Krešić, Member of HDZBiH Presidency, Deputy Minister of Security, Sarajevo

19.00 Gala dinner (by invitation only)

March 4, Friday

10.00 PANEL 3. The Kosovo Imbroglio: Chances of Reconciliation

Chair: **Tamás Magyarics**, Director, HIIA, Budapest

Participants:

Arjan Starova, Deputy Minister, MoD, Tirana

Igor Novakovic, Research Assistant, ISAC Fund, Belgrade

Ivo Samson, Senior Research Fellow, SFPA, Bratislava:

Galip Beqiri, President, National Council of Ethnic Albanians in Serbia, Preshevo Valley

Mladen Nakic, Research Fellow, Centre for International Studies, Zagreb

Nenad M. Ilic, Group for Kosovo, President, Managerial Board of National Liberal Network

12.00 Closing remarks

János Hóvári, Deputy State Secretary, MFA, Budapest