



The 2013 SEE Management Forum and European Leadership Centre's Conference

**The European Financial and Competitvity Crisis: Can Business Leadership Find the Way Out**

May 30 - 31, 2013

IEDC-Bled School of Management, Slovenia

The 2013 SEE Management Forum and ELC conference will address some of the main issues that European leaders are currently struggling with. Who is not concerned today about the major challenges –including the financial ones–that Europe as well as the rest of the world are confronted with? The main leadership question is simply: Are we going to patch up our problems or are we going to be able to re-invent ourselves in such a way that we will move forward and create new and better ways to live our collective lives. This is the time of a great opportunity that we cannot afford to miss. The alternative is for sure pain and regressions for the entire European community. It will emphasize the critical importance of innovation in relation to leadership! Innovation in European Politics (new approaches to managing our societies), Business (new definitions and practices of handling financial resources) and Social Organizations (new ways to be entrepreneurs). Ethics will be at the heart of the 2013 debates.

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**Thursday, May 30, 2013**

09:00-09:30 Registration

09:30-10:10 Welcome and Opening

Prof. Danica Purg, President, IEDC-Bled School of Management, Slovenia

Prof. Dragan Đuričin, Conference Chair

Aleksandar Vlahović, President, Serbian Association of Economists

Prof. Ljubo Jurčić, President, Croatian Association of Economists

10:10-11:10 **Keynote speeches: Leadership Challenges – Best Practices**

Prof. Pierre Casse, Leadership Chair, IEDC-Bled School of Management and professor, Skolkovo Russia

Prof. Paul Claudel, Professor, IEDC-Bled School of Management and University Aix-en-Provence, France

11:10-11:20 Q & A session

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11:20–11:40 Break

11:40–12:50 Panel 1: **Leadership Challenges – Best Practices: How does it apply in SEE**

Panel moderator: Prof. Danica Purg (5 leaders from business, government, NGO)

Panelists:

Miodrag Kostić, Chairperson, MK Group

Emil Tedeschi, President, Atlantic Grupa

Iztok Seljak, President, Hidria

Branislav Grujić, President, PSP Farman

Ilija Šetka, CEO, Apatinska pivara

12:50–13:00 Q & A session

13:00–14:00 Lunch

14:00–15:10 Panel 2: **Entrepreneurship in SEE**

Panel moderator: Gazmend Haxhia, President, ASG Group

Panelists:

Toplica Spasojević, President, Serbian Association of Corporate Directors

Bojan Radun, Executive Director, Nectar

Janez Škrabec, President, RIKO Group

Ante Todorić, President, Agrokor or Ivan Crnjac, Vice-President, Agrokor

Mladen Vedriš, Professor, Faculty of Law, Zagreb

15:10–15:30 Break

15:30–16:40 Panel 3: **Leading Innovation in SEE**

Leaders of Hidden Champions and other innovative companies (5 Presidents of HC in SEE)

Panel moderator: Peter Baloh, Board Member, BISOL Group

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Panelists:

Aleksandar Bakoc, General Manager, Algotech

Darko Budec, Owner and President, Buck

Boris Vedlin, CEO, Optotek

Stjepan Car, President, Končar Institute

Hidden Champion Companies from Turkey/Macedonia/BiH

16:40–17:00 Closing comments of the first day by the conference chairperson

20:00 Reception and dinner

**Friday, May 31, 2013**

09:00-09:10 Conference Chair introduction to the second day

09:00-09:45 **Leading Growth and Policy Issues**

Keynote speeches:

Vesna Pusić, First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign and European Affairs, Croatia

Mladjan Dinkic, Minister of Finance and Economy, Serbia

Dr. Uroš Čufer, Minister of Finance, Slovenia

09:45-11:30 Panel 4: **How to Finance and Achieve Growth in SEE** (5 speakers)

Panel moderator: dr Gabor Hegyi, Managing Director, Capital Communications Hungary

Panelists:

Zoltán Áldott, President, INA

Laurent Poiron, Country Head for Hungary and SEE, BNP Paribas Hungary Branch

Sibil Svilan, CEO, SID banka

Anton Balažič, President, Mercator

Zvonimir Mršić, President, Podravka

Slavko Caric, President of the Executive Board, Erste Bank

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Miljan Zdrle, Senior Banker, EBRD London

Ivan Teodorović, Faculty of Business and Economics Zagreb

11:30–12:00 Break

12:00–13:30 **Corporate Governance and Ethics: Are we where we should be?**

Moderated by: Prof. Dr. Arnold Walravens

Panelists:

Ana Trbović, professor, FEFA

Aleksandar Obradović, Acting General Manager, EPS

Darinko Bago, President, Končar-elektroindustrija d.d.

Zvonko Ivanušić, President of the Management Board, Sava Re

Matjaž Rakovec, President, Zavarovalnica Triglav

Franjo Bobinac, President, Gorenje

13:30–14:00 Closing Comments and Conclusions by Conference Chairperson

14:00 Farewell lunch

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