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| <b>Joint Citizen Action for a Stronger, Citizen-Friendly Union</b> |                      |   |  |  |
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| International Conference   |                      |   |  |  |
| Title:   | <b>Civic Partici</b> | pation in the EU Decision Making Process  |  |  |
| Country:   | Bulgaria             |   |  |  |
| Dates:   | October 16-:         | 19  |  |  |
| Venue:   | Sofia                |   |  |  |
|  |                      | Schedule  |  |  |
| Day 1, October 16  |                      | Arrival of international participants   |  |  |
|  |                      | Accommodation: Boyana Residence   |  |  |
|  | 19:30 – 20:30        | Dinner at the hotel   |  |  |
| Day 2, October 17  | 9:30 - 10:00         | Program Briefing @ Boyana Residence   |  |  |
| [9:30 – 17:00]   |                      | Petko Georgiev, ProInfo   |  |  |
|  | 10:00-10:30          | Transfer to the EU House in Sofia, 124 Rakovski str. Sofia  |  |  |
|  | 10:30 - 12:00        | Civic Participation in the Decision Making Process – The Bulgarian  |  |  |
|  | Perspective          |   |  |  |
|  |                      | Panelists:  |  |  |
|  |                      | Meglena Kuneva, first EU Commissioner from Bulgaria   |  |  |
|  |                      | Honorary Chairperson of ECAS  |  |  |
|  |                      | Iva Taralezhkova – Forum Citizen Participation  |  |  |
|  |                      | Lubov Panajotova – Director, The <u>European Institute</u><br>Svetlozar Tzvetanov, <u>United Ideas for Bulgaria</u> (a youth initiative, site |  |  |
|  |                      | and <u>FB</u> only in Bulgarian)  |  |  |
|  |                      | Introduction and moderation – Petko Georgiev (ProInfo)  |  |  |
|  | 12:00 - 13:00        |   |  |  |
|  |                      | Civic Participation in the EU Decision Making Process – the   |  |  |
|  | European pers        |   |  |  |
|  |                      | International participant presentations   |  |  |
|  | 14:30 - 15:00        | Coffee and interaction time   |  |  |
|  | 15:00 - 16:30        | The Effectiveness of Civic Participation  |  |  |
|  |                      | Ljuben Panov, director of <u>BCNL</u>   |  |  |
|  |                      | Marin Lesenski, Director of   |  |  |
|  |                      | European Policies And Citizen Participation Program,  |  |  |
|  |                      | Open Society Institute Sofia  |  |  |
|  | 46.20 10.65          | JoiEU members   |  |  |
|  | 16:30 - 18:00        | Sofia for Citizens: site visits   |  |  |



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|                   | 19:00  | Dinner @ <u>Club of the Architects</u>                               |  |
|                   |  | Address: Krakra 11 street, Sofia                                     |  |
| Day 3, October 18 | Location: "The Round Hall" at Boyana Residence |  |  |
| [9:30 – 17:30]    | 9:30 - 11:00                                   | Debate on Civic participation in the EU decision-making process with |  |
| [5:50 17:50]      |  | an accent on participation in the economic governance - plenary      |  |
|                   | 11:00 - 11:15                                  | Coffee break   |  |
|                   | 11:15 – 12:45                                  | Debate on Civic participation in the EU decision-making process with |  |
|                   |  | an accent on participation in the economic governance – breakout     |  |
|                   |  | sessions; plenary reporting  |  |
|                   | 12:45 - 13:45                                  | Lunch break  |  |
|                   | 13:45 - 15:15                                  | Development of the Action Plan for the Project                       |  |
|                   |  | Methodology, interaction   |  |
|                   | 15:15 - 15:30                                  | Coffee break   |  |
|                   | 15:30 - 17:00                                  | Development of the Action Plan for the Project                       |  |
|                   |  | Methodology, interaction   |  |
|                   | 18:30  | Dinner at <u>Restaurant "Tavana"</u>                                 |  |
|                   |  | Address: 98 Bulgaria Bul. section D Floor 12                         |  |
| Day 3, October 19 | Location: "The Round Hall" at Boyana Residence |  |  |
| [9:30 – 17:30]    | 9:30 - 11:00                                   | Training session on Innovative new media tools to foster citizen     |  |
|                   |  | participation  |  |
|                   | 11:00 - 11:15                                  | Coffee break   |  |
|                   | 11:15 – 12:45                                  | Training session on Innovative new media tools to foster citizen     |  |
|                   |  | participation  |  |
|                   | 12:45 - 13:45                                  | Lunch break  |  |
|                   | 13:45 - 15:15                                  | Practical exercises  |  |
|                   | 15:15 - 15:30                                  | Coffee break   |  |
|                   | 15:30 - 17:00                                  | Conclusions, farewell  |  |
|                   | Departure of p                                 | participants   |  |
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