

LSEE Conference on Social Cohesion in SEE



PROGRAMME

Venue: Holiday Inn Hotel, Skopje

Thursday 6 April

- 12.30 – 13.30 Lunch and registration
- 13.30 – 14.45 Plenary session 1: *Growth and unemployment*
- 14.45 – 15.15 Coffee break
- 15.15 – 17.15 Plenary session 2: *Decentralisation*
- 17.30 – 18.15 Business meeting (By invitation only)
- 19.30 Dinner (Hosted by UACS)

Friday 7 April

- 09.00 – 09.30 Formal welcome
- 09.30 – 11.00 Parallel sessions A: *Education & skills; Social models & policy; Governance & integration*
- 11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break
- 11.30 – 13.00 Parallel sessions B: *Migration & remittances; Education & inclusion; Welfare states & growth*
- 13.00 – 14.00 Lunch
- 14.00 – 16.00 Parallel sessions C: *Youth labour markets; Inclusion and minorities; Governance & society*
- 16.00 – 16.30 Coffee break
- 16.30 – 18.00 Parallel sessions D: *Gender issues; Public and private sectors*
- 18.15 – 19.00 Keynote address: *Welfare States and Income Inequalities*
- 19.00 Wine reception (Hosted by UET)

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FULL PROGRAMME

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Time	
12.30 – 13.30	LUNCH AND REGISTRATION
13.30 – 14.45	PLENARY SESSION 1: GROWTH AND UNEMPLOYMENT
	<p><i>Chair: Vassilis Monastiriotis (LSEE)</i> Ileana Tache, Florin Teodor Boldeanu – <i>Economic growth in South Eastern Europe: An Investigation for six EU potential candidates</i> Cesar Cancho – <i>Ten Messages about Youth Unemployment in South East Europe</i></p>
14.45 – 15.15	COFFEE BREAK
15.15 – 17.15	PLENARY SESSION 2: DECENTRALISATION
	<p><i>Chair: Will Bartlett (LSEE)</i> Marjan Nikolov – <i>Trends in Macedonian Decentralization</i> Katarina Đulić, Sanja Kmezić – <i>Political economy of decentralisation in Serbia from 1990 until 2016</i> Lejla Lazović-Pita, Nina Branković, Halko Basarić – <i>An investigation into the level of fiscal decentralisation in Bosnia and Herzegovina</i> Olimpija Hristova Zaevska – <i>Decentralized and kind of democratized in ethnically divided Macedonia: the case of Struga and Strumica</i></p>
17.30 – 18.15	BUSINESS MEETING (By invitation only)
18.15 – 19.30	FREE TIME
19.30	DINNER (Hosted by UACS)

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	Labour markets and skills	Social policy and inclusion	Economy and governance
09.00 – 09.30	FORMAL WELCOME Vassilis Monastiriotis, Director, LSE Research on Southeast Europe Ibrahim Ibrahimi, Minister of Labour and Social Policy Paul Edwards, Deputy Head of Mission, British Embassy, Macedonia		
09.30 – 11.00	PARALLEL SESSIONS A		
	Education and skills <i>Chair: Nikica Mojsoska Blazhevski</i>	Social models & policy <i>Chair: Esmeralda Shehaj</i>	Governance & integration <i>Chair: Tena Prelec</i>
	Will Bartlett, Ivana Prica – <i>Skill gaps in the Western Balkans: are they holding back economic development and growth?</i> Jadranka Kaluđerović; Milika Mirković – <i>Mobility between VET and higher education in Montenegro-factors affecting students' decisions</i>	Jovan Pejkovski – <i>Poverty, Inequality and Models of Social Protection in the SEE Countries</i> Maja Gerovska Mitev – <i>Social Protection of Workers with non-standard employment contracts in Macedonia</i>	Arlind Rama – <i>Economic Governance in Western Balkans: How does it affect Region's European Integration?</i> Dorina Ndoj – <i>The Model of "EU member's Mentorship for Candidate Countries" within Regional Cooperation: The Case of Albania with Italy & Greece</i>

	Bekim Syla – <i>Entrepreneurial ability of graduates in Kosovo</i>	Besnik Fetahu – <i>Albanian and Kosovo Social Model in a Comparative Context</i>	Emilija Tudzarovska-Gjorgjievska – <i>The effects of corruption risks in the business sector on the progress of EU2020 strategy</i>
11.00 – 11.30	COFFEE BREAK		
11.30 – 13.00	PARALLEL SESSIONS B		
	Migration & remittances <i>Chair: Will Bartlett</i>	Education and inclusion <i>Chair: Marjan Nikolov</i>	Welfare states & growth <i>Chair: Ileana Tache</i>
	<p>Ertila Druga – <i>Intention to Stay and Labor Migration of Albanian Doctors and Nurses</i></p> <p>Nermin Oruc – <i>Migration and Remittances in the Western Balkans: What do we know?</i></p> <p>Esmeralda Shehaj, Adrian Hackaj – <i>Back to basics: Determinants of Albanian migration in 2014-2015</i></p>	<p>Valbona Nathanaili – <i>Teacher-teacher and teacher-principal collaborations in the public schools of Albanian educational pre-university system</i></p> <p>Aleksandra Zhivkovikj, Sanja Bozovikj – <i>Inequality in higher education: Accessibility at University Ss. Cyril and Methodius-Skopje</i></p>	<p>Azis Pollozhani, Fatmir Besimi – <i>Education and Human Capital: Growth and Social Cohesion in Macedonia</i></p> <p>Besa Xhaferi, Jehona Musliu – <i>Testing Wagner's Law for Macedonia: Evidence from Causality Analysis</i></p> <p>Vladimir Dimkovski, Maja Parnargieva-Zmejкова – <i>Financial sustainability of the Macedonian health system</i></p>
13.00 – 14.00	LUNCH		
14.00 – 16.00	PARALLEL SESSIONS C		
	Youth labour markets <i>Chair: Vassilis Monastiriotis</i>	Inclusion and minorities <i>Chair: Maja Gerovska Mitev</i>	Governance and society <i>Chair: Jovan Pejkovski</i>
	<p>Tijana Angjelkovska, Viktorija Atanasovska Noveski, Jorge Davalos – <i>Unemployment spell and vertical skills mismatches: case of Macedonia's youth</i></p> <p>Nermin Oruc, Nina Branković – <i>Transition from University to Employment of Youth in Bosnia and Herzegovina: A Duration Analysis</i></p>	<p>Vesna Garvanlieva, Deniz Selmani, Marjan Nikolov – <i>Enterpreunership and othering analysis for Roma inclusion in Macedonia</i></p> <p>Biljana Chavkoska – <i>EU Disability Policy in the Area of Employment and the Challenges for the republic of Macedonia</i></p>	<p>Despina Tumanoska, Blagica Petreski, Jorge Davalos – <i>Simulation of a voucher policy for improving the social condition of remittance receivers in Macedonia</i></p> <p>Stefan Chichevaliev – <i>Social Entrepreneurship: A Second Chance for Social Policies</i></p>

	Nikica Mojsoska Blazhevski – <i>Youth survival on the labour market: Comparative evidence from three Western Balkan economies</i>	Selma Muhic Dizdarević – <i>Roma Parents' Reaction to New School Law in the Czech Republic</i>	Tena Prelec – <i>The transition game: informal practices and networks in the Western Balkans</i>
16.00 – 16.30	COFFEE BREAK		
16.30 – 18.00	PARALLEL SESSIONS D		
		Gender issues <i>Chair: Jadranka Kaluđerović</i>	Public and private sectors <i>Chair: Nermin Oruc</i>
		Mimoza Agolli, Esmeralda Shehaj – <i>Dynamics in Women's Participation in Labour Market under recessive economic conditions in Albania</i>	Ermira Qosja, Roland Sahatçia, Anxhela Ferhataj – <i>Impact of Managerial Skills on the Efficiency and Effectiveness of Organizations</i>
		Ajtene Avdullahi, Vjosa Fejza – <i>Gender inequality in Kosovo</i>	Fatmira Kola – <i>The role of ICT in economic growth and social development in Albania</i>
		Vassilis Monastiriotis – <i>Gender-based biases in the Greek labour market during the crisis</i>	Vojin Golubović, Edlira Narazani, Marko Vladisavljević – <i>Public-private Wage Differences in the Western Balkans</i>
18.15 – 19.00	KEYNOTE LECTURE		
	'The Role of Welfare State Trajectories on Income Inequalities in Former Yugoslavia' Jelena Žarković Rakić, University of Belgrade and Director, FREN Chair: Aneta Krstevska, Chief Economist, NBRM		
19.00 – 20.00	WINE RECEPTION		
	Conference ends		

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