

Joint Conference of ELDR and HSLs
Structural Reforms of Local and Regional Administration in Croatia
- On the Way to Full EU membership
Zagreb, May 14, 2010, Europe House, Jurišićeva 1

PROGRAMME

- 09:30-9:55 **Registration of participants**
- 10:00-11:00 **The Conference's opening**
Darinko Kosor, President of the HSLs
Annemie Neyts Uyttebroeck, President of the ELDR, Member of the European Parliament
Čedomir Jovanović, President of the LDP, Member of the National Assembly of the Republic of Serbia (tbc)
Vesna Pusić, Chairwoman of the National Committee for Monitoring the EU Accession Negotiations
Jelko Kacin, Member of the European Parliament
Ivo Vajgl, Member of the European Parliament
Jadranka Kosor, Prime Minister of the Republic of Croatia
- 11:00-11:30 **Coffee break**
- WORKING SESSION**
- 12:00-12:10 **Davor Žmegač**, Mayor of the City of Kutina, Member of HSLs Presidency, President of Local and Regional Self-government Co-ordination of HSLs
"Reform of the Croatian local self-government – is the crisis an opportunity?"
- 12:10-12:20 **Dr. Peter Röhlinger**, Member of the German Bundestag, Former Mayor of the City of Jena, FDP Party, Germany
"Basis of the system of the local self-government in FR Germany"
- 12:20-12:30 **Knud Andersen**, Member of the EU Committee of the Regions, Member of the Council of European Cities and Regions, VENESTRE Party, Denmark
"Structural reforms of the local self-government in Denmark 2003-2005"
- 12:30- 12:40 **Vili Trofenik**, Member of the State Assembly of Slovenia, President of the Committee for Local Administration of the State Assembly of Slovenia, ZARES Party, Slovenia
"Experience of Slovenia in the reform of local self-government"
- 12:40 - 12:50 **Borut Sajovic**, Member of the State Assembly of Slovenia and President of the Deputy Group of Liberal Democracy of Slovenia in the State Assembly of Slovenia, LDS Party, Slovenia
"Slovenian local government and self-government and the use of EU funds"
- 12:50 - 13:00 **Dr. sc. Jakša Puljiz**, Science Associate in the Department of Resource Economy, Environmental Protection and Regional Development of the Institute for International Affairs, Zagreb
"The effect of the EU Cohesion Policy and new approach of encouraging development of local and regional self-government in Croatia"
- 13:00 – 13:10 **Dario Runtić**, Consultant, Association of Cities, Zagreb
"Creating preconditions for a successful reform of local self-government"
- 13:10 - 14:00 **Discussion and Conclusions**
- 14:00 - **Buffet – lunch, Gastronomad Restaurant, Europe House**