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**MODELS OF POLITICAL PARTICIPATION
AND SELF-GOVERNANCE OF NATIONAL
MINORITIES IN CENTRAL EUROPEAN
INITIATIVE MEMBER STATES**

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Schedule:

8.30-9.00 Registration

9.00-9.45 Welcome

9.45-10.30 Keynote speaker:

Mitja Žagar, Institute for Ethnic Studies, Ljubljana
Social and political participation of minorities

10.30-11.00 Coffee break

(11.00-13.00) Stream I

11.00-11.30 **Jovan Teokarević**, Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Belgrade
Political participation of ethnic minorities in Serbia: current forms and alternative suggestions

11.30-12.00 **Aleksandar Stojanovski**, Faculty of Security, Skopje
National minorities in Macedonia. The means and mechanisms of participation in self-governance and decision-making

12.00-12.30 **Marius Lupşa Matichescu**, West University of Timisoara
Political representation of ethnic minorities in the Romanian Parliament

12.30-13.00 **Drino Galičić**, Delegation of the European Union/EU Special Representative in Bosnia and Herzegovina
De jure vs. de facto minority protection in Bosnia and Herzegovina: what lies beneath Dayton?

13.00-14.30 Lunch break

(14.30-16.00) Stream II

14.30-15.00 **Zaira Vidau**, Slovene Research Institute SLORI, Trieste/Trst
Instruments of political participation among the Slovene national minority in Italy

15.00-15.30 **Andrea Bartole**, Coastal self-governing community of the Italian nationality, Koper/Capodistria
Self-Governance Authorities for Italian Minorities in Slovenia and Croatia

15.30-16.00 **William Cisilino**, Regional Agency for the Friulian language ARLEF, Udine/Udin
Political participation and representation of the Friulian minority in the Italian legal system

16.00-16.30 Coffee break

(16.30-18.30) Stream III

16.30-17.00 **László Öllös**, Forum Minority Research Institute, Šamorin/Somorja
Three questions regarding the national minorities' representation in Slovakia

17.00-17.30 **Daniel Wutti**, Alps-Adria-University Klagenfurt, Slovenian Scientific Institute Klagenfurt/Celovec
Between self-governance and political participation. The Slovene minority in Kärnten/Koroška/Carinthia, Austria

17.30-18.30 **Paulina M. Borowska**, Institute for Studies on Federalism and Regionalism, EURAC, Bolzano/Bozen
Political participation and self-governance of national / linguistic minorities in the Autonomous Province Alto Adige/Südtirol

18.30 Closing remarks

Simultaneous interpretation in Slovene and Italian will be provided.

The international seminar will be focused on the models of political participation and self-governance of national minorities in the CEI area. The aim is to discuss a series of relevant issues concerning diversity management in both EU and non-EU member states, i.e., the different models of representation of national minorities in elective bodies and of power-sharing, minority consultative mechanisms, models of minority self-governance and self-government including minority political and civil society organisations, their involvement in cross-border cooperation policies and programmes. The seminar will highlight both theoretical approaches and concrete experiences.

Speakers from the academic world and research institutes as well as representatives from different national minorities will take part in the event. The expected result is to provide knowledge and evaluation of the current situation concerning political participation of national minorities in both EU and non-EU countries in order to foster an exchange of best practices and experiences, knowledge transfer and sharing.