



15th European Commerce Registers' Forum
Ohrid, Macedonia 17-19.06.2012

Draft Agenda

“Interoperability between Business Registers – Transparency and efficient business!”

Interoperability is the underlying drive of the business register world today. The increased number of interoperable systems and their multi-layered significance on a national, regional and international level has led to improvement of the business life and the economy in general. Further linkages with peripheral institutions, such as the tax authorities, bureaus of statistics, customs offices, etc. add value to the services rendered and create additional revenue for the involved organizations.

The conference shall focus not only to the interoperability between business registers as such, but will also address various relevant topics of business register interoperability and other relevant organizations from business, non-regulatory, technological and financial aspect. All these aspects contribute to creation and improvement of an e-Society on the one hand, and increased capacities and more revenue for the involved organizations.

Sunday - 17 June 2012

08:00	Conference participants arriving at Skopje Alexander the Great airport
12:00 –	Organized bus transfer from the airport to the hotels
18:00	Open registration of delegates
21:00 – 23:00	Welcome reception at Inex Gorica hotel
23:00 - ?	Hospitality suite



Monday - 18 June 2012

08:00 – - 09:00	Registration of delegates / morning coffee
09:00 – 09:30	Welcome speech and opening remarks Director Mr. Vančo Kostadinovski
09:30 – 10:30	Jurisdiction roll-call
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 – 11:30	Conference session – The ECRF Survey Group Report (incl. Q&A) Annika Bränström, Staffan Larson
11:30 – 12:00	Conference session – CRF (incl. Q&A) Mr. Julian Lamb
12:00 – 12:30	Conference session – IACA (incl. Q&A) Mr. Myron Pawlowski, Mrs. Hayley Clarke
12:30 – 13:00	EC representative – Mrs. Thea Utoft Jensen
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
Business Register to Business Register interoperability/cooperation initiatives and projects (regional/international)	
<p>The closure of the BRITE projects, its findings and the subsequent Brite after Brite working group, have spurred number of projects and initiatives that deal with business registers interoperability and cross-border exchange of data. On the other hand there has been a strong regional drive among business registers covering complementary economies to provide their clients with value added services in their cross-border endeavors. The challenges, benefits and value added services to businesses will be showcased through the following examples:</p>	
14:00 – 14:30	Registry Messaging Service (RMS) Presenters: Mr. John Murray, Mr. Axel Forstman
14:30 – 15:00	SPOCS/EBR Presenters: Paul Farrell
15:00 – 15:30	BiFiDex Presenters: Mr. Zvonko Obradović, Mr. Andon Rumenov
15:30 – 16:00	German experiences Presenter: Mr. Andre Nowak, Dr. Tanja Kothes
17:00 – 18:30	Boat cruise to St. Naum
18:30 – 20:00	Tour of St. Naum complex
20:00 – 23:00	Cocktail dinner at St. Naum complex
23:15 – 00:45	Night cruise back to the hotels and boat party



Tuesday - 19 June 2012

08:30 – 09:00	Morning coffee
National Business Environment Eco-Systems	
<p>Business Registers do not operate in vacuum isolated from the rest of the eco-system that facilitates the business life in the country. The past decade has seen number of interoperability initiatives on national level (in most cases driven by the Business Registers themselves) that have resulted in much higher level of service and dramatic reduction of red tape for the end clients, i.e. the business community, and additional revenue for the business registers. The benefits have been felt by all stakeholders, being it the governments through reduction of costs of operation, decreased redundancy or the businesses that are being provided with superior service at a fraction of the original cost.</p>	
09:00 – 09:20	Doing Business findings – World Bank Presenter: Mr. Andrei Miknev
09:20 – 09:40	OSS II – CRM Presenters: Mr. Vladimir Naumovski, Mr. Dejan Damjanović
09:40 – 10:00	E-justice/E-Codex Presenter: Mr. Carsten Schmidt
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee break
10:30 – 10:50	UAE Presenter: Mr. Esam Alfalasi
10:50 – 11:20	Norway Presenter: Mr. Dörthe Koerner
11:20 – 11:40	ECRF WG Presenter: Mr. Carsten Schmidt
11:40 – 12:00	ECRF 2013 – Romania Mrs. Adriana Luminata Iacob
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 16:00	ECRF General Assembly (free time for non-participating delegates) ECRF Board and ECRF members only
14:30 – 17:00	Extra-curricular activities – Check Notice
17:00 – 20:30	Organized tour of Ohrid -Old Town
20:30 – 23:30	Dinner at Belvedere Restaurant
23:30	Bus to the hotel

Wednesday - 20 June 2012

07:00 -	Buses departing to Alexander the Great – Skopje Airport
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