International Conference

"Public participation in Higher Education modernization: civil society role in the implementation of the Roadmap for higher education reform in Belarus"

23-24 September 2016

Crown Plaza Hotel

13 Kirova str., Minsk, Belarus

Tentative Programme

23 September 2016

13.30 – 14.00	Registration
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14.00 - 14.30 Opening

Andrea Wiktorin, Head of EU Delegation in Belarus, Ambassador

Svetlana Koroleva, Chairperson of Coordinating Committee, Belarusian National Platform of the Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum

Vladimir Dounaev, Belarusian Independent Bologna Committee

14.30- 16.00 Plenary Session

"Civil Society in the Higher Education reforms process: role, place and purpose"

Moderator (to be confirmed)

Keynote speaker – Jan Sadlak, President of the IREG Observatory on Academic Ranking and

Excellence

"Modern University: challenges of XXI century" Sergiy Kurbatov, PhD, Fellow, University of Uppsala, Sweden

Other speakers to be confirmed

16.00 - 16.15 Coffee break

16.15 – 19.15 Panel sections

Panel 1

Structural reforms in higher education

"Stakeholders' Participation in Governance of Higher Educational Institutions"
Prof. Rimantas Zelvys, Head of Educational Policy Center, Vilnius University, Lithuatua.

Other speakers to be confirmed

Panel 2

Higher Education and labor market. National Professional Qualification framework development (professional qualification framework and employers, students' participation in quality control, etc)

Dr. Taras Finikov, former Deputy of the Minister of Education, Ukraine

Speakers to be confirmed

Panel 3

Social dimension and fundamental academic values (gender balance, inclusive education, finance, access to higher education, self-governance, institutional autonomy and academic freedom)

Dr. Iris Kempe, Senior Advisor for Culture and Education, CBSS Secretariat

Olga Rud'

"Informal education role in the Bologna process context. Recognition of the informal education results within the National Professional Qualification framework."

Other speakers to be confirmed

19.30 Welcome reception

24 September 2016

9.00 – 9.30 **Registration**

9.30 – 11.30 Round table

Bologna process and higher education reforms in Eastern Partnership countries: success/failure

stories

Moderator: Andrei Yahorau (Research Center

"Analytical Group CET")

Nvard Manasian, Independent expert, Armenia

Dr. Taras Finikov, former Deputy Minister of

Education, Ukraine

Speakers to be confirmed

11.30-12.30 Plenary session

Closing remarks