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First Regional Rule of Law Forum for South East Europe

28th and 29th March 2014
Budva, Montenegro, Hotel „Avala“

FRIDAY, MARCH 28

TIME	TOPIC
10:00	<p>Opening session Welcome from the organisers and introduction to the Forum Dusko Markovic, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Justice of Montenegro Vesna Medenica, President of the Supreme Court of Montenegro Biljana Braithwaite, Programme Manager for the Western Balkans, the AIRE Centre Sumeja Tulic, Programme Officer, Civil Rights Defenders</p>
10:30	<p>Developing regional cooperation of the judicial institutions in promoting the implementation of the European human rights standards Goran Svilanovic, Secretary General, Regional Cooperation Council</p>
10:40	<p>The importance of national implementation of judgments by the European Court of Human Rights Nuala Mole, Senior Lawyer, the AIRE Centre, London</p>
11:00	<p>Coffee break</p>
11:20	<p>Panel of judges of the European Court of Human Rights: New developments in ECHR jurisprudence relevant to South East Europe Moderated by Nuala Mole and Catharina Harby, lecturer, Regents University Ledi Bianku (Albania) Dragoljub Popovic (Serbia) Nebojsa Vucinic (Montenegro)</p>
12:30	<p>Presentation of the European human rights database for SEE Zoran Pazin, Montenegro's State Agent before the European Court of Human Rights Biljana Braithwaite, the AIRE Centre</p>

13:00	Lunch
14:30	National Implementation of the ECHR in Slovenia Professor Ciril Ribicic, Member of the Venice Commission of the Council of Europe
15:30	Three working groups: 1) ECtHR judges and national judges – to discuss national implementation of the ECHR 2) Government Agents and Judicial Training Centres – to discuss implementation and further development of the database 3) NGO representatives and legal experts – to discuss national implementation of the ECHR and taking cases to the ECtHR
17:00	End of Day 1

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

TIME	TOPIC
09:30	Reporting back from working groups
10:00	Panel of judges of the European Court of Human Rights: Common problems in South East Europe, and important trends in ECtHR's case law from the region – discussing reports from working groups Moderated by Nuala Mole Ledi Bianku (Albania) Dragoljub Popovic (Serbia) Nebojsa Vucinic (Montenegro) Margarita Tsatsa Nikolovska (former ECtHR judge from Macedonia)
11:15	Coffee break
11:40	Presentation of Council of Europe's activities in the region Milica Vesovic, Council of Europe
12:00	Closing discussions – conclusions from the Forum Moderated by Biljana Braithwaite and Sumeja Tulic
13:00	Lunch