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#### INVITATION TO ATTEND THE FIRST BUSINESS FORUM IN BRČKO DISTRICT OF B&H

#### Dear Sir/Madam,

We take great pleasure in inviting you to the first Business Forum to be held in Brčko District of B&H, which will be held from 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017. The Forum is organized by the BD of B&H Government and technically assisted by the Association of Accountants, Forensics and Auditors of BD of B&H. The Faculty of Economics - Brčko of the University of East Sarajevo provides its full support to this event.

The Business Forum will be a place of gathering and exchange of opinions among the representatives of governance, creators of economic policies and potential investors.

The Forum will address relevant issues important for the state of play in the Brčko District of B&H, starting with macro-economic policy, sector policy, business ambient, competitiveness of the B&H economy and companies. The event will feature panel discussions on the topics of:

- 1. Local and Regional Development
- 2. Traffic and Tourism
- 3. Economy in the Brčko District of B&H
- 4. Agriculture in the Brčko District of B&H
- 5. Education and Youth in the Brčko District of B&H

We hope that this Business Forum will contribute to creating more favorable and attractive business environment in our city

We look forward to your confirmed presence at this event.

You can send your application to : info@econforbd.com, until 23.10.2017. Contact phone number: +387 49 240-810

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# BRČKO DISTRICT OF B&H BUSINESS FORUM

# (NEW DEVELOPMENT CYCLE)

8 - 10 November 2017

# AGENDA

## November 8, 2017 (Day 1)

18:00 Welcome cocktail (City Hall Stateroom)

Welcome address: Mayor, BD of B&H Assembly Speaker and Director of Business Forum

## November 9, 2017 (Day 2)

10:00 - 11:00 Registration of participants (Culture Hall)

11:00 - 12:30 Opening of the Business Forum and welcome address

12:30 - 14:00 Plenary session - Theme 1 and 2 (Culture Hall)

14:30 – 16:00 Lunch break (Hotel Jelena)

16:00 – 17:00 Parallel sessions (Hotel Jelena, Culture Hall, Faculty of Economics Brčko)

18:00 Conclusions

19:00 Dinner party

## November 10, 2017 (Day 3)

10:00 - 10:00 Meetings with potential investors etc.

# **Plenary session**

### Theme 1: Local and Regional Development (Where are we now?)

- Legislation of the Brčko District of B&H
- Harmonization of the Brčko District of B&H regulations
- Review of the achieved degree of development from the founding of District until the present date
- New development cycle

Theme 2: Traffic and Tourism

- Role and importance of the Sava River Basin for transport, trade and development of tourism and inland port in the Brčko District of B&H
- Strengthening of the Brcko District of B&H traffic links with other cities in B&H and the region
- Opening of a motorway passing through the Brčko District of B&H
- Construction of a bypass and opening of an airport and helipad
- Developing the Brčko District tourist community which implies, among other things, making a beach from Brezovo Polje to *Ficibajer*.
- Possibility of exploiting the strategic geographic position of the Brcko District of B&H in order to strengthen tourism potentials

# Parallel sessions:

#### I. Economic Potentials of the Brčko District of B&H

- Department of Economic Development is playing a significant role in the economic development of the Brčko District of B&H and it allocates largest subsidies, incentives and other assets intended for economic activities in the District.

- In the Brčko District of B&H there are numerous companies with successful performance on daily basis. Some of them are "Bimal", "Brčko gas", "Bosnaplod", etc.

- Brčko District of B&H is an old commercial center whose tradition lasts for 120 years. Due to its geographic position it is a place where many roads intersect. This makes it a place worth investing in.

### II. Agricultural potential of Brčko District of B&H

- Traditional agricultural practices have resulted in successful production of various sorts of cereals (wheat, corn etc.), as well as various types of fruit. Recently, production of new
- crops such as vine, chokeberry, hazelnut etc. has started which benefits agricultural development of the District.

#### III. Education and Youth

- Vision of the Brčko District of B&H is to ensure that higher education is not a closed but an open system and thus more involved in the economic development of the Brčko District of B&H.
- It is necessary to discuss the possibility of building a student campus in the District, and to ensure that such and similar projects and activities offer better educational and employment opportunities to young people, preventing them from leaving Brčko and Bosnia and Herzegovina.

#### PROGRAM OF BRČKO DISTRICT OF B&H BUSINESS FORUM

#### (NEW DEVELOPMENT CYCLE)

Under the auspices of the Brčko District of B&H Government and organized by the Association of Accountants, Forensics and Auditors of BD of B&H, we organize the first Brčko District of B&H Business Forum which will be held from 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> of November 2017. The topic of the Forum is: New Development Cycle.

The Business Forum will be held at the premises of Culture Hall, Hotel *Jelena* and Faculty of Economics Brčko. Registration of participants starts on September 7, 2017 and will last till October 23, 2017.

The Forum's vision is to enable contacts between local and foreign businessmen, companies and investors with a goal to realize their ideas and to improve business ambient of the Brčko District of B&H.

The Forum's mission is to gather the largest possible number of respectable participants – representatives of the BD of B&H authorities, academia, state officials, diplomatic personnel, chambers of commerce, businessmen, farmers and investors.

The Guiding concept of the Brčko Business Forum is to foster the link between relevant participants and thus demonstrate the concept of the new development cycle of BD of B&H, which is to rest upon the system of partnership between the governmental institutions, economic sector and tertiary education with the purpose of economic development of the Brčko District of B&H.

The Primary goal is to make this Forum a traditionally recognizable place and important business and investment event taking place in the region for dissemination of knowledge and business ideas through dialogues, discussions and exchange of opinions.

By means of this Business Forum, the Brčko District Government will, at the two plenary sessions where three topics will be tackled, make known a number of projects pertaining to the areas of economy, agriculture, education, traffic, inland waterway traffic and transportation potentials, infrastructure, tourism, legislation and other areas of development.

The wish of the Organizational Board is that strengthening of the private sector, stimulating entrepreneurship, improving competitiveness, application of modern technologies, better integration into globalization process, attracting quality investors, become the primary conclusions of this Business Forum, so that it could earn the epithet of an investment forum in the future.

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