



**Balkans & Black Sea Cooperation Forum 2018**  
**«Rail, Road, Rivers connectivity to the EU via Balkans Region»**  
 Preliminary Agenda

Wednesday 30 May 2018 Business Summit		
<i>The Business Summit is a pre-Forum leading platform where business and policy-makers meet together to providing views for transforming ideas into business reality. It is related with the annual headline and the declaration to be issued upon the conclusions of the Forum.</i>		
12.30-13.30	Registrations	
13.30-14.00	Introduction «Rail, Road, Rivers Connectivity to the EU via Balkans Region»	
14.00-15.30	"Talk the Walk"   Policy shapers hub	
15.30-16.15	Break	
16.15-18.00	"Walk the Talk"   Business makers hub	
18.00-19.00	Partners & Sponsors networking reception	
19.30-21.00	Welcome Dinner	
Thursday 31 May 2018 Fostering stability, growth, cooperation		
<i>Full day conference, fostering cross-border cooperation, enhancing bilateral and multilateral relations, promoting best practices and business opportunities in the Balkans, the wider Black Sea region and beyond.</i>		
09.00-09.20	Welcome notes	
09.20-09.30	Forum Inauguration	
09.30-10.30	<b>S/1: EU, Balkans, Black Sea perspectives &amp; SDGs 2030</b>	Plenary
10.30-11.00	Break	
11.00-12.30	<b>S/2: Digital markets, crossover economies</b>	Plenary
12.30-13.30	Luncheon	
13.30-15.00	<b>S/3: Energy affairs</b>	Plenary
15.00-15.15	Break	
15.15-16.45	<b>S/4: Women in leadership</b>	<b>S/5: Green growth &amp; circular economy</b>   Parallel
16.45-17.00	Break	
17.00-18.00	<b>S/1-S/5: Moderators' Conclusions</b>	Plenary
20.00-22.00	Official dinner	
Friday 1 June 2018 Fostering stability, growth, cooperation		
<i>Half day conference to be concluded by a Forum Declaration, announcement of Forums' 2019 Hosting City/Country, followed by a social program around Thessaloniki cultural highlights.</i>		
08.45-09.00	Welcome notes	
09.00-10.30	<b>S/6: Maritime, Transports, Infrastructures</b>	Plenary
10.30-10.45	Break	
10.45-12.00	<b>S/7: Higher Education, Business Innovation</b>	<b>S/8: Culture, Sustainable Tourism</b>   Parallel
12.15-12.45	<b>S/6-S/8: Moderators' Conclusions</b>	
12.45-13.00	<b>Forum Declaration</b> «Rail, Road, Rivers Connectivity to the EU via Balkans Region»	
13.00-13.15	<b>Announcing 2019 Hosting &amp; Co-Organizing City/Country</b>	
13.15-14.00	Luncheon	
14.00-17.30	Social Program	

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