

## Science for Peace and Security (SPS) Programme



**INFORMATION DAY**  
Sofia, Bulgaria  
25 September 2015

### PROGRAMME

Friday, 25 SEPTEMBER: SPS INFORMATION DAY, Venue: Aula Magna - SOFIA UNIVERSITY	
0930	<b>Registration</b>
1000	<p><b>Opening Session</b> Moderator: <b>Prof. Kostadin Kostadinov</b>, Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Science and Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>1000 Prof. Ivan Ilchev</b>, Rector of Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”, <i>Welcome Address</i></li> <li>▪ <b>1005 Prof Dr Todor Tanev</b>, Minister of Education and Science of Bulgaria, <i>Welcome Address</i></li> <li>▪ <b>1015 Ambassador Sorin Ducaru</b>, NATO Assistant Secretary General for Emerging Security Challenges – <i>Opening Address</i></li> <li>▪ <b>1030 Dr Petio Petev</b>, Director of NATO and Regional Security Directorate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs – <i>“Bulgaria between Wales and Warsaw”</i></li> <li>▪ <b>1045 Dr Deniz Beten</b>, Senior SPS and Partnership Cooperation Advisor, NATO HQ - <i>‘Opportunities for Cooperation within the NATO SPS Programme’</i></li> <li>▪ <b>1100 Acad. Stephan Vodenicharov</b>, President of the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences - <i>‘The Bulgarian Research Strategy and the Bulgarian Participation in the NATO SPS Programme’</i></li> <li>▪ <b>1115 Question and Answer Session</b></li> </ul>
1130	<b>GROUP PHOTO / COFFEE</b>
1150	<p><b>Practical Session about the NATO Science for Peace and Security (SPS) Programme</b> Moderator: <b>Dr. Eyup Turmus</b>, SPS Advisor, NATO HQ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>1150 Dr. Eyup Turmus</b>, SPS Advisor, NATO HQ – <i>‘Overview of the SPS Programme and Grant Mechanisms’</i></li> <li>▪ <b>1210 Dr Jean Muylaert</b>, Member of the SPS Independent Scientific Evaluation Group (ISEG) and Director of the von Karman Institute for Fluid Dynamics – <i>‘Evaluation of SPS Applications’</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Priority Areas for Cooperation in the framework of the NATO SPS Programme</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>1220 Mr. Darko Petrušić</b>, Deputy Minister of Science of Montenegro</li> <li>▪ <b>1240 Mrs. Dijana Ivancic</b>, Head of the NATO and Partnership for Peace Department Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>1300 Question and Answer Session</b></li> </ul>
<b>1310</b>	<p><b>Potential Activities within the framework of the SPS Programme</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>1310 Col Orlin Nikolov</b>, Chief Capabilities Branch, NATO Crisis Management and Disaster Response Centre of Excellence - <i>'Proposal - Implications of Climate Change and Disasters on Military Activities: Building Resiliency and Mitigating Vulnerability in the Balkan region'</i></li> <li>▪ <b>1330 Prof Dr Lyubov Yotova</b>, University of Chemical Technology and Metallurgy - <i>'SPS Project Proposal- Biomimetic intelligent sensors for early risk detection of bioterrorist attack'</i></li> <li>▪ <b>1350 Col Petar Petrov</b>, Ministry of Defence of R of Bulgaria, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <i>Lessons learned from the SPS Training Course in Montana, Bulgaria</i></li> <li>– <i>'SPS Workshop Proposal – Contemporary Security Environment in the Balkans and its Impacts on Regional CBRN Preparedness'</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>1350</b>	<b>Closing Remarks</b>



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