



**EU'S FINANCIAL INTERESTS UNDER THREAT:  
NEW APPROACHES IN ASSESSING THE RISKS FROM PUBLIC  
PROCUREMENT AND EU FUNDS FRAUD**

October 31 – November 1, 2013  
Royal I Hall, Sofia, Sheraton Hotel

Agenda

**October 31, 2013**

**9:30 Opening**

**Dr. Ognian Shentov**, Chairman, Center for the Study of Democracy

**Nikolas Kanellopoulos**, Secretary General of the Ministry of Justice, Transparency and Human Rights, Greece

**9:45 Session 1, Policy perspectives and implementation instruments**

**Dr. Ioannis Karkalis**, Supreme Court Justice, Vice-Commissioner of the State, Greece

**Wim Wensink**, Project Manager, PwC, Netherlands

**11:00 Coffee Break**

**11:30 Session 2, EU funds: assessing corruption risks and impact**

**Domenico Perrotta**, Senior Researcher, Institute for Protection and Security of the Citizen, Joint Research Centre, European Commission

**Dr. Gian Luigi Albano**, Procurement Expert, Consip S.p.A., Italy

**Miglena Pavlova**, Executive Director, Public Procurement Agency, Bulgaria

**Discussion**

Moderator: **Ruslan Stefanov**, Director Economic Program, Center for the Study of Democracy

**13:00 Lunch**

**14:30 Session 3, Industry focus – assessing the extent of fraud in vulnerable industries**

**Evgeny Smirnov**, Senior Procurement Specialist, Procurement Department, EBRD

**Ambassador Ilian Vassilev**, Honorary Chairman, Bulgarian Economic Forum

**16:00 Coffee Break**

**Sorin Ionita**, President, Expert Forum (EFOR), Romania

**Discussion**

Moderator: **Dr. Philip Gounev**, Senior Analyst, Security Program, Center for the Study of Democracy

**17:00 Closing**

**November 1, 2013**

**9:30 Session 4, Assessing procurement fraud: policies and practice**

**Edward Nkune**, Director, National Fraud Authority, UK

**Silviu Popa**, Senior Expert, National Council for Solving Complaints, Romania

**Georgi Zaikov** and **Borislav Hlebarov**, AFCOS Directorate, Ministry of the Interior, Bulgaria

**11:00 Coffee Break**

**11:30 Session 5, Countering public procurement fraud: European perspectives**

**Professor Ernesto Savona**, Director, Transcrime, Italy

**Discussion**

Moderator: **Professor Alexander Stoyanov**, Director, Vitosha Research

**12:30 Closing**