

The Center for the Study of Democracy
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Round Table Discussion

**THE HIDDEN ECONOMY IN BULGARIA:
POLICY RESPONSES TO THE ECONOMIC CRISIS**

10 December 2009

Hotel Hilton, Mussala Hall

Agenda

- 11:00** *Opening*
Dr. Ognian Shentov, Chairman, Center for the Study of Democracy
Dr. Marc Meinardus, Director, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Office Bulgaria
- 11:15** *The Hidden Economy Index 2009*
Ruslan Stefanov, Director, Economic Program, Center for the Study of Democracy
- Policy Responses to the Economic Crisis and their Impact on Bulgarian Hidden Economy*
Traicho Traykov, Minister of Economy, Energy and Tourism
Rosen Plevneliev, Minister of Regional Development and Public Works
Bozhidar Danev, Chairman, Bulgarian Industrial Association
Tzvetan Simeonov, Chairman, Bulgarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Tihomir Bezlov, Senior Fellow, Center for the Study of Democracy
- Discussion*
Tzvetelina Borislavova, Chair of the Supervisory Board of CIBank
Georgi Kadiev, Councilor at Sofia's Municipality Council
Stefan Katsarov, Head of PPP Unit, Ministry of Finance
Toshko Todorov, Deputy Executive Director, National Revenue Agency
Grazyna Chorazykiewicz, Counsellor, Head of Section, Embassy of Poland in Bulgaria
- 12:30** *Cocktail*