

# Programme

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CONFERENCE VENUE: LEOGRAND HOTEL\*\*\*\* MITROPOLIT VARLAAM 77, MD-2012 CHISINAU

DISCUSSION PANEL

16:30–18:00

### Transition to Democracy: 20 Years of the Independence of the Republic of Moldova

Moderator:

**Ion Sturza**, President, GreenLight Invest SRL, Republic of Moldova

Speakers:

**Emil Constantinescu**, President of Romania (1996–2000)

**Aleksander Kwasniewski**, President of Poland (1995–2005)

**Petru Lucinschi**, President of Moldova (1996–2001)

Commentators:

**Igor Botan**, Executive Director, Association for Participatory Democracy, ADEPT, Republic of Moldova

**Carmen Claudin**, Deputy Director, CIDOB, Barcelona Center for International Affairs, Spain

**Andrzej Halicki**, Chairman, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Sejm of the Republic of Poland

**Florent Parmentier**, Vice-President, Association of the French–Moldovan Friendship, France

18:00–18:05 Break

## DISCUSSION PANEL

18:05–20:00

**What and Why is Worth Investing in Moldova?  
Country's Investment Climate****Moderator:**

**Alexander Turcan**, Founding and Managing Partner, Turcan Cazac Law Firm, Republic of Moldova

**Speakers:**

**Vitalie Arvinte**, Head of Marketing, Communication and Community Department, Banca Comerciala Romana Chisinau S.A., Republic of Moldova

**Sergiu Cioclea**, Managing Director, Head of Russia & FSU Countries, Corporate Finance Department, BNP Paribas, France

**Dorin Draguțanu**, Governor of the National Bank of Moldova

**Wolfgang Lerke**, President, Moldavian–German Business Association, Germany

**Stefano Mercuri**, President, Association of Italian Entrepreneurs in Moldova, Italy

**Jean-François Myard**, President, MobiasBanca Group Société Générale, France

**Dan Costache Patriciu**, Chairman of the Board, DP Holding, Romania

**Oleksiy Plotnikov**, Chairman of the Subcommittee of International Economic Policy, Verkhovna Rada, Ukraine

20:30–23:00 Reception

# March 30, 2011

LEOGRAND HOTEL\*\*\*\* MITROPOLIT VARLAAM 77, MD-2012 CHISINAU

PLENARY SESSION

09:30–11:00

## European Integration and Moldova. Challenges, Obstacles, Perspectives

Moderator:

**Iurie Leanca**, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integration,  
Republic of Moldova

Speakers:

**Vladimir Filat**, Prime Minister of the Republic of Moldova

**Donald Tusk**, Prime Minister of Poland

Commentators:

**Bruce Pitcairn Jackson**, President, Project on Transitional Democracies, USA

**Nicu Popescu**, Senior Policy Fellow, European Council on Foreign Relations, Republic of  
Moldova

11:00–11:15 Coffee Break

## DISCUSSION PANEL

11:15–12:45

**How to Overcome a Standstill: Transdnistria  
and the Prospects for the Region****Moderator:****Markus Meckel**, former Foreign Minister, Germany**Speakers:****Cristian Diaconescu**, Vice-President, Senate of Romania**Ihor Kharchenko**, Ambassador, Special Representative of Ukraine on Transnistrian Settlement, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ukraine**Eugen Carpov**, Deputy Prime Minister for Reintegration, Republic of Moldova**Daniel Nord**, Deputy Director, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), Sweden**Slawomir Pichor**, Deputy Head of Mission, European Union Border Assistance Mission to Moldova and Ukraine, Poland**Philip N. Remler**, Head, OSCE Mission to Moldova, USA**Commentators:****Iulian Chifu**, Director, Conflict Prevention and Early Warning Center, Romania**Oazu Nantoi**, Programme Director, Institute for Public Policy, Republic of Moldova**Victor Osipov**, Former Deputy Prime Minister, Republic of Moldova

12:45–13:00 Coffee Break

## DISCUSSION PANEL

13:00–14:45

**Moldova's Place Within the Eastern Partnership. Setting up a Model for Reforms****Moderator:**

**Dirk Schuebel**, Head of Delegation, Delegation of the European Union to Moldova, Germany

**Speakers:**

**Urban Ahlin**, MP, Vice–Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, Riksdag, Sweden

**Bogdan Aureescu**, Secretary of State for Strategic Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Romania

**Andrzej Cieszkowski**, Plenipotentiary for Eastern Partnership, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland

**Igor Corman**, Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee for Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Parliament of the Republic of Moldova

**Natalia Gherman**, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Republic of Moldova

**Evaldas Ignatavicius**, Vice–Minister of Foreign Affairs, Lithuania

**Ojars Kalnins**, MP, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, Saeima, Latvia

**Borys Tarasyuk**, Chairman of the Committee on European Integration, Verkhovna Rada, Ukraine

**Janos Terenyi**, Ambassador–at–Large for Eastern Partnership, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Hungary

14:45–15:45 Lunch

## DISCUSSION PANEL

15:45–17:15

**Agriculture and Food Processing Industry as Moldova's Asset****Moderator:**

**Roger Cozens**, Principal Consultant, Greenacres Consultancy, United Kingdom

**Speakers:**

**Vasile Bumacov**, Minister of Agriculture and Food Industry, Republic of Moldova

**Victor Cotruta**, Executive Director, Regional Environmental Centre, Republic of Moldova

**Marcin Kulicki**, President of the Managing Board, Krajowa Spółka Cukrowa S.A., Poland

**Waldemar Sochaczewski**, Adviser, Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry, Republic of Moldova

17:15–17:30 Coffee Break



## DISCUSSION PANEL

17:30–19:00

**Building a Friendly Neighbourhood. Regional Cooperation as a European Dimension of Solidarity****Moderator:**

**Martin Guillermo Ramirez**, Secretary General, The Association of European Border Regions, Spain

**Speakers:**

**Sergiy Grynevetsky**, Member of Parliament, Verkhovna Rada, Ukraine

**Viacheslav Illarionov**, Office of State Programs, Analytical Centre of the Government, Russia

**Titus Corlatean**, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Senate of Romania, Romania

**Iurie Leanca**, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Republic of Moldova

**Peter N. Myhre**, MP, Member of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and Defence, Storting, Norway

**Urmas Paet**, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Estonia

**Lapo Pistelli**, Member of the Foreign and EU Affairs Committee, Chamber of Deputies, Italy

**Commentator:**

**Cristian Ghinea**, Director, Romanian Center for European Policies, Romania

**Alla Yazkova**, Head of Center for Mediterranean–Black Sea Studies, Institute of Europe, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia

**Eugen Revenco**, Programs Director, Foreign Policy Association of Moldova (APE), Republic of Moldova

**Vladimir Solovyov**, Columnist, "Kommersant" daily, Russia

20:00–22:30 Reception

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DISCUSSION PANEL

09:00–10:30

## Economic Reforms in Moldova: Current State of Affairs and Possible Scenarios

**Moderator:**

**Alex Munteanu**, Managing Director, Dragon Capital, Ukraine

**Special guest:**

**Valeriu Lazar**, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Economy, Republic of Moldova

**Speakers:**

**Gunnar Due-Gundersen**, Project Director, Entranse Business Incubator Programme, Norway

**Luc Engelen**, Director, Euromol Management Consulting, Belgium

**Silvia Radu**, Chairman for Moldova, I.C.S. Red Union Fenosa S.A., Spain

**Pablo Saavedra**, Senior Country Economist (Belarus–Moldova–Ukraine Country Unit), Country Sector Coordinator, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management, World Bank, Spain

**Alexey Vlasov**, General Director, Information–Analytical Center for the Study of Post–Soviet Space (MSU), Russia

**Commentator:**

**Viorel Chivriga**, Director of Functional Market Economy Department, Institute for Development and Social Initiatives “Viitorul”, Republic of Moldova

10:30–10:45 Coffee Break

## DISCUSSION PANEL

10:45–12:15

**Civil Society. Local Self-Government and  
a Reform of Administration****Moderator:****Gerd Harms**, State Secretary of Brandenburg (ret.), Germany**Speakers:****Elena Drapeko**, Vice-Chairwoman of the Committee for Culture, State Duma, Russia**Mihail Formuzal**, Governor of UTA Gagauzia, Executive Committee of Gagauzia, Republic of Moldova**Rainer Holtschneider**, State Secretary of Saxony-Anhalt (ret.), Germany**Sandor Koles**, Senior Vice President, International Centre for Democratic Transition (ICDT), Hungary**Maris Sprindzuks**, Public Administration Expert, Corporate & Public Management Consulting Group, Latvia**Commentators:****Arcadie Barbarosie**, Executive Director, Institute for Public Policy, Republic of Moldova**Corneliu Gurin**, Program Coordinator, Association for Participatory Democracy, ADEPT, Republic of Moldova

12:15–12:30 Coffee Break

DISCUSSION PANEL

**Geopolitics and its Implications for Moldova.  
Chisinau Between Moscow, Brussels and  
Washington**

12:30–14:00

**Moderator:**

**Vitaly Portnikov**, Editor-in-Chief, TVi channel, Ukraine

**Speakers:**

**Oleksandr Chalyi**, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Ukraine

**Istvan Gyarmati**, President, International Centre for Democratic Transition (ICDT),  
Hungary

**Yuksel Ozden**, Member of the Foreign Relations Committee, Grand National Assembly,  
Turkey

**Andrei Popov**, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, Republic of  
Moldova

**Vladimir Socor**, Expert, Jamestown Foundation, USA

**Grigory Trofimchuk**, First Vice-President, Center for Modelling of Strategic  
Development, Russia

**Commentators:**

**Ivan Mikhayluk**, Deputy Chief of Staff, Committee on CIS, State Duma, Russia

**Natalia Morar**, Journalist, Politician, Republic of Moldova

14:00–14:15 Closing Remarks

**Victor Chirilă**, Executive Director, Foreign Policy Association of Moldova (APE) Republic of  
Moldova

14:15–15:15 Lunch