



New European Democracies Project

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SECURITY IN THE BLACK SEA REGION

*Conference Agenda
31 October 2006*

8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. **Registration**

9:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. **Introductions**

Janusz Bugajski, CSIS

Dragos Seuleanu, Foundation for Democracy, Culture, and Liberty

9:15 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. *Introduction of President Basescu*, John Hamre, CSIS President and CEO

Remarks by Romanian President Traian Basescu

Via Videoconference

9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. **Session I: Black Sea Economic Development**

Victor Babiuc, Romanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Jonathan Kimball, U.S. Department of Commerce

Julia Nanay, PFC Energy

Moderator: Dragos Seuleanu

10:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. **Session II: Black Sea Security Challenges**

Jeffrey Simon, National Defense University

Romania: Vladimir Pasti, Romanian Chamber of Commerce

Bulgaria: Elena Poptodorova, Ambassador, Embassy of Bulgaria

Ukraine: Volodymyr Dubovyk, Woodrow Wilson Center

Moldova: Vlad Spanu, Moldova Foundation

Turkey: Burak Akcapar, Embassy of Turkey

Georgia: Khatia Dekanoidze, Embassy of Georgia

Moderator: Janusz Bugajski

12:45 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. **Lunch Keynote Address**

Mark Pekala

Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, European and Eurasian Affairs

U.S. Department of State

1:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. **Session III: American and European Roles**

Jonathan Davidson, European Commission Delegation

Daniel Nelson, Strategic Partnerships LLC

Peter F. Najera, Office of the Secretary of Defense

Moderator: Simon Serfaty, CSIS Europe Program

3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. **Concluding Comments**