

**ENSURING BOSNIA'S FUTURE**  
**CSIS-DPAP CONFERENCE**  
**15 January 2009**  
**Washington, DC**

Dear Colleagues:

We are pleased to invite you to our upcoming conference entitled “**Ensuring Bosnia’s Future**,” co-hosted by the Dayton Peace Accords Project (DPAP) and the New European Democracies Project at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS). The event will take place on **January 15, 2009** in the **B1 Conference Level** of CSIS. See below for a preliminary agenda.

Despite almost 13 years of intensive international effort there has been a failure of reform in Bosnia-Herzegovina. Government at all levels remains largely dysfunctional and driven by ethnic imperatives and thus incapable of providing essential services to its citizens. The uncertainty over the OHR-led (Office of the High Representative) International Mission and the growing realization that European Union membership is a long process should be a cause for renewed concern about the future stability of Bosnia. The limited reforms that have been implemented to date remain dependent on the capabilities of the government, which so far has failed in pushing through its agenda of much-needed change.

The conference will address the most urgent problems facing Bosnia-Herzegovina and aim to generate concrete recommendations especially in the area of constitutional reform to push forward the process of EU accession.

Should you have any questions in the meantime, please contact us at (202) 775-3217 or by email at [BBocka@csis.org](mailto:BBocka@csis.org)

*Conference Agenda***ENSURING BOSNIA'S FUTURE**

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**9.00-9.30am: Registration****9.30-9.45am: Introductions****Janusz Bugajski, CSIS****Bruce Hitchner, DPAP****Svetozar Miletic, BiH Embassy****9.50-11.50am: Panel 1****Back to the Future? Bosnia's Failures***Moderator: Bruce Hitchner***Donald Hays, United States Institute of Peace****James Lyon, Democratization Policy Council****Douglas Davidson, German Marshall Fund of North America****Milan Nic, Consultant to Special EU Representative****12.00-1.00pm: Lunchtime Keynote Speaker and Respondent****Stefan Simosas, OHR/EUSR Representative****James Dobbins, RAND National Security Research Division****1.15- 3.15pm: Panel 2:****Bosnia's Trans-Atlantic Solutions***Moderator: Janusz Bugajski***Vera Rihackova, EUROPEUM Institute for European Policy****Angelos Pangratis, Delegation of European Commission in U.S.****Sead Numanovic, Dnevi Avaz Daily****Nida Gelazis, Woodrow Wilson Center****Matthew Parish, Hogan & Hartson LLP****3.15-3.30pm: Concluding Comments****Janusz Bugajski****Bruce Hitchner**