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International Conference

**Illicit Trade of Tobacco Products Along the Balkan Route:
Institutional and Governance Gaps**

18 October 2019, Sofia

National Palace of Culture

Hall 8

Agenda

8:30 *Registration and coffee*

9:00 *Opening*

Dr. Ognian Shentov, Chairman, Center for the Study of Democracy
Milko Berner, Deputy Minister of Interior, Republic of Bulgaria

9:10 *Illicit Trade of Tobacco Products: Analytical and Policy Framework*

Professor Ernesto Savona, Director, Transcrime, and Professor of Criminology, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Italy

Dr. Dina Siegel, Professor of Law, Economics and Governance, Willem Pompe Institute for Criminal Law and Criminology, Utrecht University, The Netherlands

Dr. Ozan Bakis, Project Director, BETAM and Associate Professor, of Economics, Bahcesehir University, Turkey

Dr. Adamo Uboldi, Tax and Data Mining Unit, Joint Research Centre, European Commission

Discussion

11:00 *Coffee Break*

11:30 *Institutional Response to The Illicit Trade of Tobacco Products*

Valentin Niculescu, Director of Operations, Southeast European Law Enforcement Center

Kalin Litov, General Directorate on Countering Organised Crime, Bulgaria

Nicoleta Apolozan, General Inspectorate of Police, Romania

Despoina Dionysiou, Financial Division of Hellenic Police, Greece

Discussion

13:00 *Lunch*

14:30 *Combating the Market for Illegal Cigarettes: Governance Gaps and Diagnostic Instruments*

Dr. Atanas Rusev, Coordinator, Security Program, Center for the Study of Democracy

Dr. Radu Nicolae, Chairman, SYENE, Romania

Dr. Fiamma Terenghi, Senior Researcher, Intellegit, Italy

Dr. Eirini Stamouli, Postdoctoral Researcher, Democritus University, Greece

Dr. Margarita Gasparinatou, Postdoctoral Researcher, Democritus University, Greece

Discussion

16:30 *Closing*