



**“Empowering Civil Society in the Black Sea region:  
a tool for Innovative Social Change”**

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4-6 July 2013

**DRAFT PROGRAMME**

The 6th International Black Sea Symposium is

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**Venue: Divani Palace Acropolis Hotel**  
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## Wednesday, 3 July 2013

*Travel and arrival at the hotel*

## Thursday, 4 July 2013

**9:00-9:30**      **Registration**

**9:30-10:30**    **Welcome**

*Zefi Dimadama, Director General, International Centre for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS)*

*Ambassador Victor Tvircun, Secretary General, BSEC PERMIS*

***Keynote Speech***

*Henri Malosse, President, European Economic and Social Committee*

**10:30-11:30**    **Session I. Social innovation: emerging trends, challenges and opportunities**

*Prof. Rumen Dobrinski, PhD in Economics, f. Director of Economic Cooperation and Integration at UNECE*

*Dr. Edouard Panoian, Head Dept. of Multilateral & Bilateral Economic Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Armenia (tbc)*

**11:30-12:00**    **Coffee break**

**12:00-13:30**    *Ms. Jelena Tosic, Economic Affairs, Embassy of the Republic of Serbia*

*Dr. Anna Visvizi, Associate Professor, DERE - The American College of Greece, Athens*

*Dr. Sotiris Zigiariis, Professor, URENIO Research Unit*

**13:30-14:30**    **Lunch / afternoon break**

**20:00**            *Welcome Dinner*

## Friday, 5 July 2013

**09:30-11:00**    **Session II. Development of Human Capital in the Black Sea Region**

*Ms. Rebecca Pitsika, Career Management Expert, CEO, People for Business*

*Ms. Najiba Mustafayeva, Research Fellow, Center for Strategic Studies under the President of Azerbaijan Republic (SAM)*

*Mr. George Kazantzopoulos, Managing Partner, GLOBAL CHALLENGES Sustainability Advisors (GC)*

11:00-11:30 Coffee break

**11:30-13:30 Session III: The effect of Corporate Social Responsibility on the empowerment of civil society**

*Athenian Brewery, Platinum Award, CR Index 2012*

*Hellenic Petroleum SA, Gold Award, CR Index 2012*

*DEPA SA, Bronze Award, CR Index 2012*

*DESFA SA*

*INTRACOM SA*

13:30-14:30 Lunch / afternoon break

## Saturday, 6 July 2013

**09:30-11:00 Session IV. Black Sea NGO Regional Networks: challenges, opportunities and models of engagement**

*Mr. Dan Petre, Director General, Romanian Diplomatic Institute*

*Dr. Mirela Oprea, ChildPact Secretary General & Senior Liaison Manager, World Vision International*

*Mr. Ramiz Babayev, Projects Manager, IDEA Campaign*

11:00-11:30 Coffee break

**11:30-13:30 Workshop “My 15 minutes: I think globally, I act locally”**

13:30-14.30 Lunch / afternoon break

**14:30-15:00 Plenary Session**

**Closure and future perspectives**

*Zefi Dimadama, Director General, International Centre for Black Sea Studies  
(ICBSS)*

20:30 *Farewell Dinner*

**Sunday, 7 July 2013**

9:00 *Departure from hotel and travel*