

"Visions and Wishes" intends to deal with wishes, how it could be, how it should be in the near future from the point of view of young professionals and young party members in the region. Participants of the simulation will be involved as acting figures in a political process by developing their own visions for the region as well as for Europe as a whole.

Taking into consideration the complexity and diversity of South Eastern Europe and the mutual goal of EU integration, the seminar aims on the one hand to bring the participants closer to the EU institutions and the EU foreign policy and on the other hand to give them the opportunity to get to know their neighbours and exchange experiences, connecting with each other aiming towards the common goal.

In order to have experiences from the EU countries and countries that are aiming towards the EU the participants will be from the South Eastern region.

The role play deals with the formal process of the accession negotiations between the candidate countries, the current EU member states and the EU institutions. The aim is to make clear both the institutional design of the EU with its specific decision making processes and the different interests and positions in the ambitious project of the EU enlargement. Within the context of the role play (simulation), complex and multi-layered planning, negotiation and decision-making processes will be imitated. The participants will adopt a fictive starting position for the duration of the role play and take on an active role as members of the European Parliament and of the European Commission, ministers of EU-member states, representatives of a candidate country or media representatives. By adopting the positions and views of specific interests, they will develop a better understanding of the processes and developments in the European

Union. The EU will become more transparent, understandable and therefore more accessible for the participants.

In contrast to traditional role-playing games, the participants act primarily in groups. They have to learn to understand the socio-cultural background of the country they represent, make demands, represent parties, participate in discussions and build coalitions and much more.

Working language: Macedonian

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VISIONS AND WISHES FOR EUROPE SHAPING THE FUTURE OF EUROPE

SIMULATION GAME

14 - 16 MARCH 2014

SUGS "GEORGI DIMITROV"

▪ **08:30**

Preparation session for trainers and assistants in the KAS office

▪ **12:00**

ARRIVAL IN SUGS "GEORGI DIMITROV"; PREPARATION OF PREMISES AND MATERIALS

▪ **13.30**

OPENING OF THE SIMULATION; WELCOME SPEECH BY KAS REPRESENTATIVE; INTRODUCTION OF TRAINERS AND ASSISTANTS; PRESENTATION OF THE AGENDA; INTRODUCTION SESSION WITH STUDENTS; GAME FOR INTRODUCING "HOUSE OF EUROPE"; QUIZ

Trainers:

Ivan Jovanov
Marija Vasilevska

Assistants:

Zorica Velkovska
Aleksandra Jordanovska

▪ **15.30**

Refreshment

SATURDAY | 15. MARCH 2014

▪ **10.00**

A BRIEF OVERVIEW: HISTORY, INSTITUTIONS AND DECISION MAKING PROCESSES – BASIC FACTS ON THE EUROPEAN UNION"; STEPS TO THE EUROPEAN ENLARGEMENT PROCESS; GAME

Trainers:

Ivan Jovanov
Marija Vasilevska

▪ **11.15**

Break

▪ **11.30**

INTRODUCTION TO THE ROLE PLAY "VISIONS AND WISHES FOR EUROPE – SHAPING THE FUTURE OF EUROPE"
Trainers, CIVIC – Institute

▪ **12.15**

DISTRIBUTION OF ROLES / QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
INTRODUCTION READING
Trainers, CIVIC - Institute

▪ **13.00**

Lunch

▪ **14.00**

START OF THE SIMULATION

SPEECH OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION FOLLOWED BY INFORMAL TALKS OF THE ACTORS

▪ **14.45**

FIRST ROUND TABLE OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT
CLARIFICATION OF POSITIONS

▪ **16.00**

Coffee break

▪ **16.15**

PRESS CONFERENCE, QUESTIONS BY THE MEDIA

▪ **16.45**

PRESENTATION OF THE ACCESSION APPLICATIONS BY THE CANDIDATE COUNTRIES TO THE EU-COMMISSION, THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

▪ **18.30**

TV AND PRESS REPORTS INTERVIEWS AND REPORTS PREPARED BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MEDIA

SUNDAY | 16. MARCH 2014

▪ **10.00**

NEGOTIATIONS OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT; FORMAL STATEMENT AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE EU-COMMISSION: COUNCIL OF MINISTERS (UNANIMOUSLY) AND EP STATEMENT (WITH ABSOLUTE MAJORITY) DECIDE ON A FORMAL STATEMENT; INSTRUCTION TO THE EU-COMMISSION AND THE PRESIDENCY OF THE COUNCIL TO START THE ACCESSION NEGOTIATIONS

▪ **12.00**

Break

▪ **12.15**

NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE CANDIDATE COUNTRIES IN CLOSE COOPERATION WITH THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT
PART I

▪ **13.15**

BREAKING NEWS: TV AND PRESS REPORTS

▪ **13.30**

Lunch

▪ **14.30**

NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE CANDIDATE COUNTRIES IN CLOSE COOPERATION WITH THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Part II

▪ **16.00**

Break

▪ **16.15**

PRESS CONFERENCE, QUESTIONS BY THE MEDIA - TV AND PRESS REPORTS

▪ **17.00**

VOTE ON THE NEGOTIATED ACCESSION TREATIES BY THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS (UNANIMOUSLY) AND EP STATEMENT (WITH ABSOLUTE MAJORITY)

▪ **17.30**

SIGNING OF THE ACCESSION TREATIES FOLLOWS SPEECHES BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EU-COMMISSION, THE PRESIDENCY OF THE COUNCIL, THE EP AND THE CANDIDATE COUNTRIES

▪ **18.00**

Break

▪ **18.15**

EVALUATION OF AND REFLECTION ON THE RESULTS OF THE SIMULATION

Trainers

AWARD OF CERTIFICATES

Anja Czymmeck, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Skopje

▪ **19.00**

END OF THE SIMULATION AND DEPARTURE OF GUESTS

Refreshment/Drinks in local bar

**This event is a joint seminar of the
Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS),
the Centre of European Studies (CES) and the
CIVIC Institute for International Education**

