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DRAFT PROGRAMME

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D R A F T P R O G R A M M E

DAY 1:	16 May 2015 (Saturday)
	Arrival and accommodation of the NALAS General Assembly delegates
17:00 – 19:00	CLO Meeting
19:30	Dinner

DAY 2:	17 May 2015 (Sunday)
	AGENDA FOR THE NALAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATES
10:00 – 13:00 on site	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Presentation of good practices from the City of Plovdiv: Visit to the economic zone (discussion with a moderator at the spot)➤ Visit to the early Christian Basilica➤ Visit to the Philippolis Forum and Odeon (at the Central City Garden)➤ Visit to the Roma Stadium and Ancient Theater➤ Visit to the St. Konstantin and Elena Church, Ethnographic Museum, Bayatova House and Nebet Tepe (hill)
After 12:00	Accommodation of Bulgarian and foreign participants, arriving on 17 May 2015
13:00 – 14:00 Plovdiv International Fair	Lunch

DAY 2:	17 May 2015 (Sunday)
<p>14:00 – 15:00 Exhibition Building 6</p>	<p align="center">AGENDA FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS</p> <p>Opening of the business fair and municipal project market by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Rosen Plevnevliev, President of the Republic of Bulgaria (TBC) ➤ Ivan Totev, Mayor of the City of Plovdiv ➤ Todor Popov, the NAMRB Board of Directors' Chair, Mayor of Pazardzhik ➤ Djuro Bukvic, President of NALAS ➤ Tomislav Donchev, Deputy Prime Minister for EU funds and Economic Policies (TBC) ➤ Visit to the municipal and business exhibition booths
<p>15:00 – 15:30</p>	<p>Coffee break</p>
<p>15:30 – 18:00 Exhibition Building 6, Main Hall</p>	<p align="center">AGENDA FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS</p> <p align="center">Municipal Projects Market 2007 - 2013</p> <p>Representatives from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Municipalities from Bulgaria and South East Europe ➤ Heads of Managing Authorities of EU funds ➤ Fund FLAG and city development funds
<p>15:30 – 18:00, Exhibition Building 6, Small Hall</p>	<p>Vishegrad Group (V4) countries seminar – experience, problems and good practices of investors from Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia in Bulgaria</p>
<p>19:00</p>	<p>Dinner for all participants</p>

DAY 3:		18 May 2015 (Monday)	
	NAMRB General Assembly Meeting	NALAS General Assembly Meeting	
08:00 – 09:30	Registration (foyer of Exhibition Building 6)	Registration (Congress Centre, Bulgaria Hall)	
	<p>09:30 – 10:45 NAMRB General Assembly with participation of the Council of European Municipalities and Regions Secretary General – Frédéric Vallier (TBC)</p> <p>11:00 – 12:30 Discussion Forum Exhibition Building 6</p>	<p>09:30 – 12:30 NALAS General Assembly with participation of Jean-Claude Frécon, President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe (TBC)</p> <p>Thematic presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ WB Urban Partnership Programme II ➤ ORF MMS ➤ IAWD, Danube Water Program <p>Congress Centre, Bulgaria Hall</p>	
12:30 – 13:30 Exhibition Building 6	<p>European Label of Good Governance: Awarding Ceremony</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Liliana Pavlova, Minister of Regional Development and Public Works (TBC) ➤ Jean-Claude Frécon, President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe (TBC) 		
13:30 – 14:00 Exhibition Building 6	GENiYOUTH Municipal Initiatives – Involving women and young people in the activities of the local authorities – Award Ceremony		
14:00 – 15:00 Exhibition Building 6	Lunch		

DAY 3:	18 May 2015 (Monday)
<p>15:00– 15:40 Congress Centre, Bulgaria Hall</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Conference Local Authorities' Response to Floods</p> <p>Keynote speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Kristalina Georgieva, EU Commissioner Budget and Human resources (TBC) ➤ Christos Stylianides, EU Commissioner Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Management (TBC) ➤ Boiko Borisov, Prime Minister of the Republic of Bulgaria (TBC) ➤ NALAS President ➤ Todor Popov, the NAMRB Board of Directors' Chair, Mayor of Pazardzik
<p>15:40 – 16:00</p>	<p>Coffee break</p>
<p>16:00 – 17:30</p>	<p>Panel discussion – keynote speaker from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ World Bank ➤ Bulgaria (National Association of Municipalities in the Republic of Bulgaria) ➤ Bosnia and Herzegovina (Association of Towns and Municipalities of Republic of Srpska) ➤ Serbia (Standing Conference of Towns and Municipalities) ➤ Discussion ➤ Approval of NALAS Declaration on Disaster Risk Management policies in SEE
<p>19:00</p>	<p>Gala Dinner organized by City of Plovdiv & NAMRB</p>
DAY 4:	19 May 2015 (Tuesday)
<p>09:00 – 11:00</p>	<p>Departure of participants</p>



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