



AGENDA

Whistleblower Day, 12-13 May, 2022

Venue: [Hotel Best Western](#),

Gjuro Strugar Street 11

Skopje, 1000

North Macedonia

1ST DAY

THURSDAY, MAY 12

09:30 – 10:00 REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

10:00 – 10:30 WELCOME NOTES

- **Zoran Ivanov**, president of SCOOP
- **Arjan Dyrmishi**, Coordinator of the Southeast Europe Coalition on Whistleblower Protection
- **Desislava Gotskova**, Head of RAI Secretariat

10:30 – 11:30 PANEL DISCUSSION:

VOICES THAT MADE A DIFFERENCE: ACKNOWLEDGING THE SUCCESSES AND LESSONS LEARNED

Participants:

- **Nikolla Tupanchevski**, Minister of Justice
- **Biljana Ivanovska**, Director of the State Commission for the Prevention of Corruption
- **David Geer**, Head of EU Delegation to North Macedonia
- **Desislava GOTSKOVA**, Head of RAI Secretariat

Moderator: Zoran Ivanov

11:30 – 12:00 COFFE BREAK

12:00 – 13:15 PANEL DISCUSSION:

NORTH MACEDONIA: NEW CHANGES IN WHISTLEBLOWING LAW IN LINE WITH EU DIRECTIVE

Participants:

- **Slagana Taseva**, Transparency International – Macedonia
- **Jovan Jovchevski**, professor and founder of OTA
- **Goran Lefkov**, SCOOP
- **Jovan Bliznakovski**, Institute for Democracy (TBC)

Moderator: Elmerina Ahmetaj Hrelja

13:15 – 14:30 LUNCH

14:30 – 15: 30 PANEL DISCUSSION:

HEROIC IMPLICATION OF WHISTLEBLOWERS

Participants:

- **Gjorgji Lazarevski**, a whistleblower from Northern Macedonia
- **Gordana Duvnjak**, journalist and Judiciary-Media Council member
- **Mark Worth**, European Center for Whistleblower Rights
- **Irena Popovska**, State Anticorruption Agency

Moderator: Arjan Dyrmishi

15:30 – 16:00 COFFE BREAK

16:00 – 17:00 PANEL DISCUSSION:

THE CHALLENGES AND PROBLEMS OF WHISTLEBLOWERS IN NORTH MACEDONIA

Participants:

- **Biljana Ivanovska**, State Commission for the Prevention of Corruption
- **Naser Ziberi**, Ombudsman (TBC)
- **Aleksandar Tumanovski**, lawyer (TBC)

- **Tinka Kiteska**, NGO for Administration

Moderator: Aleksandar Bozhinovski

17:00 – 18:00 ROUND TABLE:

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE WISTLEBLOWERS FOR INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM

- **Gjorgji Lazarevski**, a whistleblower from Northern Macedonia
- **Maja Jovanovska**, IRL (TBC)
- **Slagana Taseva**, TI
- **Vlatko Stojanovski**, Fokus (TBC)
- **Aleksandar Srbinovski**, journalist and GI Coordinator
- **Goran Lefkov**
- **Xhelal Neziri**
- **Goce Trpkovski**, BIRN (TBC)
- **Zoran Ivanov**

Moderator: Jasna Bachovska - Nedic

19:00 – 21:00 JOURNALISM AWARD CEREMONY

Venue: [Three Kitchen & Bar](#)