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Information on acceptance of abstracts (and key words): March 11, 2014.

Deadline for submitting papers (in Serbian and in English language): March 20, 2014.

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Dear participants of the Conference,

After almost twenty five years since the beginning of transition, which involved fundamental changes in political, economic and social order of society, Serbia is, unfortunately, in a group of countries which are at the bottom of the list, measured by results of the reforms. This is confirmed by generally accepted macro economic parameters - gross domestic product, national income, employment, wages, standard and quality of life, as well as by an appalling fact that Serbia, according to estimation of economists, needs several decades to reach the macro-economic parameters that it had at the beginning of the transition process. The problem is, however, that we do not have at our disposal these several decades, because no one has the right to condemn the citizens of Serbia to live in these or similar economic and social conditions for several decades more. Such generally unsatisfactory state of society is a source of constant industrial and social conflicts, which further complicate the complex social situation, where enormous social energy, necessary for Serbian exit from the long crisis, is irrationally, or rather pointlessly being wasted.

The past two and a half decades have passed in facing challenges and issues that could not be answered by society and its factors, primarily the social elite, in facing the byways and high social cost of those byways. If there is something good in this, then it is our becoming aware of these byways and hope that the same mistakes and failures will not happen again, primarily because Serbia and its citizens simply would not have the strength to endure it. Serbia came into that absurd stage where no one is satisfied, except for a small privileged class of people. First of all, workers, who were worst hit by the crisis are dissatisfied, employers are dissatisfied, and, of course, in this situation the Government has no reason to be satisfied. Thousands of pages of scientific papers on the causes, sources, manifestations and consequences of the crisis were written.

In other words, there is relevant potential. The question is how to turn that potential into the real energy of social change, which will result in a faster pace of economic and technological development, which will bring us closer to achieving the standards of civilization which represent the accomplishment of civilization of modern Europe. In seeking an answer to this question, many people focus on economy and economic processes. They are largely right, but one must take into account the danger of putting it all down on economy. The point is that economy is a key social activity, but it is only an indicator of the overall situation in society, harmonious functioning of all segments of the system - political, legal, social, satisfaction of people with their lives and the existence or non-existence of real hope that tomorrow will be better than today. This follows from the fact that economy is created and built by people, and economic and technological advance is created by free and satisfied

people. In other words, the optimal strategy of economic development can be defined and achieved only within the framework of a comprehensive social context.

New optimal strategy of economic development, which must be acceptable to all social classes, which will bring the benefit to all and will not, as it was the case so far, divide society into winners and losers, means asking question on the relationship between economy and politics in a new way, on new theoretical, philosophical and ethical grounds. Such need is, above all, caused by the fact that numerous failures and byways in economic policy in the past were an expression and consequence of a wrong concept of a relation between politics and economics. It was and still is the subject of a sharp theoretical, ideological, political and professional divisions among businessmen in the professional, scientific and overall public. Much of this conflict and division has its roots in the system of values, lifestyles and social values inherited from the previous period, but also in the effort to defend one's privileged positions and interests at any cost, even at the cost of general social benefit.

In any case, history as a "teacher of life" left us some signs in order to redefine the relationship between politics and economics, as one of the key issues of not only economic, but also the overall development strategy of society. Primarily, it confirmed the lack of perspective, but also the enormous economic, social and political damage, particularly in transition countries, including Serbia, that were caused by the so-called "neoliberal model" according to which all should be left to the market. We notice similar weaknesses and limitations, the reason why it did not survive the judgment of history, in the model in which the state has dominance in the economic life of society, opposing political will, behind which is a mechanism of state repression, to entrepreneurial inventiveness and equal competition.

The real answer is in the middle of these two models. It is unacceptable and blind to copy uncritically the model of economic and social organization of economically and technologically advanced countries of Europe, as they in the meantime develop and adapt their economic and social system to new circumstances, so that the gap between developed and "transition countries" increases more and more. The word transition is put in quotes, because the transition is essentially over, it is an excuse for poor students. There are only successful and unsuccessful countries. In other words, we need a new creative power, inventiveness, courage, but rational, thoughtful courage to build a new concept of the relationship between economy and politics as the starting point of a new economic development strategy of Serbia.

In this sense, we suggest that research papers prepared for the Conference, as well as the course of the conference should be focused on the following set of questions:

- Components of new economic strategy of Serbia
- Economy in the process of European integration of Serbia new parameters

- Social market economy labor and social rights, new parameters for determining the cost of labor
- A new role of state in economic life of society
- Legal regulation of economic life of society
- Tax policy as an instrument of economic policy and social justice and solidarity
- Conflict of interest of factors of economic life of society
- The process of establishing a national social consensus,

and other issues, which are, in the opinion of authors, of relevance to the main topic of the Conference.

Belgrade, 23.01.2014.

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PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF THE CONFERENCE:

Time and place: June 08, 2014, Crystal Hotel, Belgrade

09:00 - 09:50 Participants registration

10:00 - 10:10 Conference Opening:

Vladimir Marinkovic, Ph.D., member of the National Parliament of the Republic of Serbia, President of the Program Committee

Zivojin Djuric, Ph.D., director of Institute for political studies, Belgrade, Serbia, President of the Organization Committee

10:10 - 11:30 Plenary session

11:30 - 12:00 Coffee break

12:00 - 15:00 Discussion

15:00 - 16:00 Lunch

16.00 - 16.30 Final document of the Conference

Awarding of Certificates

Final word of the President of the Program Committee

Closing of the Conference

REGISTRATION FEE: 80 euros*

Registration fee includes: Proceedings in printed and CD version (ISBN reference) and on the the website www.naucnakonferencija.vssp.edu.rs, refreshments during breaks, lunch.

Deadline for fee payment: 11/03/2014.

*If the paper was written by two co-authors, the first co-author pays 80 euros, the second pays 60 euros.

If the paper written by three co-authors, the first co-author pays 80 euros, the second pays 60 euros, the third pays 30 euros.

Participation at the Conference without printing the paper: 30 euros / participant

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