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**TI BiH is organizing a conference entitled**

***Transparency and accountability of financing political parties***

**Sarajevo 13th December 2017 –** Transparency International in Bosnia and Herzegovina (TI BiH) is organizing a conference entitled *Transparency and accountability of financing political parties,* as one of the activities related to the celebration of the International Anti-Corruption Day.

A special emphasis of the conference will be put on presenting the proposal for improvement of the Law on financing political parties, with reference to the international standards in the field of financing political parties and campaigns, and the level of following those standards in BiH.

The conference will be attended by the representatives of the relevant institutions in BiH, political parties, Central Election Commission, civil society organizations and the media in order to present the existing situation and the best practice standards. Also, the experts from the Group of States against Corruption (GRECO) of the Council of Europe and from the OSCE/ODIHR will participate as panelists.

The conference will be held **on Thursday, 14th December 2017 at the Hotel Europe (Atrium hall) in Sarajevo, at 10.30h**. Please find the agenda attached.

**Transparency and accountability of financing political parties**

Sarajevo, 14th December 2017

Hotel Europe, Sarajevo

**Draft Agenda**

**10:30 – 11.00 Registration of participants and the press conference**

**11:00 – 11:20** **Introductory lectures**

* Srdjan Blagovcanin*,* Chairman of the Board of Directors of TI BiH
* Matthew Lawson*,* Deputy Head of Mission of Great Britain to BiH

**11:20 – 12:20** **Panel I – International standards and the best practices**

* Richard Wood, Head of Rule of Law Section, EUSR in BiH
* Yves-Marie Doublet, an Expert of the Group of States against Corruption (GRECO)
* Daniel Smilov, a Member of the expert group of ODIHR for political parties

**12:20 – 12:40 Coffee break**

**12:40 – 13:40** **Panel II – Financing political parties in BiH – recommendations for improving the legal framework**

* + - Irena Hadziabdic, President of the BiH Central Election Commission
    - Ivana Korajlic, Transparency International in Bosnia and Herzegovina
    - Halid Genjac, Delegate of the House of Peoples, member of the Interdepartmental working group for amendments to electoral legislation
    - Jelena Tanaskovic Micanovic, coalition Pod Lupom

**13:40 – 14:00 Discussion**

**14:00 Lunch**

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