

## INVITATION

### Conference:

**EU accession negotiations in Albania and the regional experience – Chapter 23 in focus**

**Working Group I - Judiciary and Fundamental Rights**  
**National Convention on European Integration**

*Friday, 05 February 2021, 11:00-13:00*  
*Online – ZOOM Platform*

The Ministry of Justice and the European Movement in Albania (EMA), in partnership with the Slovak Foreign Policy Association and the financial support of Slovak Aid, have the pleasure to invite you to this online conference on “EU accession negotiations in Albania and the regional experience – Chapter 23 in focus” under the National Convention on European Integration 2019-2021.

The conference will include the following distinguished speakers:

**H.E. Mrs. Etilda Gjonaj**, Minister of Justice of the Republic of Albania;

**Mr. Ján Figel**, Former Chief Negotiator for Negotiations on the Accession of Slovakia to the EU and former Member of the European Commission - Education, Training, Culture and Youth portfolio (2004 – 2009)

**Mrs. Fjoralba Caka**, Former deputy Minister of Justice and Senior Expert on EU Affairs.

This activity aims to gather participants from the Albanian institutions part of the Inter-institutional Working Group on Chapter 23, that is responsible for harmonizing and implementing the *acquis* for this chapter, coordinating of the preparation of the screening process and conducting the preparation of the negotiating position for this Chapter. The discussion will be enriched by international partners, representatives of other public institutions, members of academia and representatives of the CSOs that are proactive in the field of European integration process. Simultaneous translation will be provided during the activity.

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*The National Convention on European Integration is a platform which aims to institutionalize the public debate on EU related issues based on the partnership of governmental, non-governmental and business organizations, as well as to strengthen the expert capacities on negotiations.*

## AGENDA BREAKDOWN

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<https://zoom.us/j/94456593516?pwd=KzFvT3VCNHllKkaTJyYUpZcUl6VzJiUT09>

Meeting ID: 944 5659 3516

Passcode: 958911

10:45-11:00 **Online Registration of participants**

11:00-11:45 **Opening of the activity by the co-organizers**

**Mrs. Etilda Gjonaj** Minister of Justice - Opening keynote speech

**Mr. Ján Figeľ**, Former Chief Negotiator for Negotiations on the Accession of Slovakia to the EU and former Member of the European Commission - Education, Training, Culture and Youth portfolio (2004-2009)

**Keynote speech of H.E Zef Mazi**, Chief Negotiator for the Accession Negotiations of Albania with EU **read by: Mr. Sofjan Jaupaj**, Chief of Cabinet

**Mr. Tomáš Strážay**, Director, Research Center of the Slovak Foreign Policy Association, RC SFPA

11:45-12:00 **Preparations of EU accession negotiations for Chapter 23 in Albania**

**Mrs. Fjoralba Caka**, Former deputy Minister of Justice and Senior Expert on EU affairs

**Moderators:**

**Ms. Adea Pirdeni**, Deputy Minister of Justice and Negotiator for Chapter 23

**Mr. Gledis Gjipali**, Executive Director of European Movement Albania

12:00-12:15 **Feedback from the members of the Inter-institutional Working Group on Chapter 23**

12:15-13:00 **Open Discussion with all participants**