



INVITATION

Topic: What role for the interest groups in the accession talks - Slovak experience

Working Group I - Judiciary and Fundamental Rights

National Convention on European Integration

Friday, 18 June 2021, 11:00-12:30

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 session on “What role for the interest groups in the accession talks - Slovak experience” under the National Convention on European Integration 2019-2021.

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, national 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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Join Zoom Meeting:

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Meeting ID: 823 4952 7280

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11:00-11:15 **Online Registration of participants**

11:15-11:30 **Opening remarks**

Mrs. Elona Hoxha, Director of Policies and Strategies in the Field of Justice,
Ministry of Justice

Mr. Gledis Gjipali, Executive Director of European Movement Albania

11:30 – 12:00 **Role and ways of interaction of interest groups and state institutions in the process of EU negotiation for Chapter 23 – Slovak experience**

Mr. Radovan Geist, Editor in Chief of Euractiv.sk

-Opportunities and level of access of non-state actors in the process of negotiations

-Which are the main areas/processes they should be involved in, and how? Institutional vs. non-institutional engagement

-Role of the media on EU integration and EU enlargement process – reporting inside Brussels and reporting the developments of candidate countries

-The relation between the Executive and the Judiciary during the negotiations of Chapter 23

12:00 – 12:30 **Open Discussion with all participants**
Provision of recommendations and suggestions