



MODERATION OF THE EVENT:

Michael Davidson, First Secretary, British Embassy, UK Delegation to the OSCE, UK Mission to the UN

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS:

David Hall, Ambassador and Resident Representative to IAEA and CTBTO, UK Mission to the UN and International Organisations in Vienna

PANELLISTS:

Dr. Ugljesa Zvekic, Senior Advisor to the Global Initiative **Fatjona Mejdini,** Field Coordinator of the Global Initiative **Xhelal Neziri,** Journalist at the Centre for Investigative Journalism SCOOP North Macedonia

CLOSING REMARKS:

Mag. Monika Szmigiel- Turlej, Counselor, Embassy of the Republic of Poland in Vienna

Monday May 20 1.10 pm - 2.00 pm

Conference Room M7
CCPCJ 28th Session, Vienna

CCPCJ 28th Session Side event:

From Trieste to London to Poznan: Mapping local vulnerabilities in the Western Balkans

The Civil Society Observatory to Counter Organized Crime in South Eastern Europe, launched in August 2018, acts as a platform where civil society organizations get together to engage in their common fight against organized crime and corruption. Recently, a substantive report was completed based on the contributions of civil society. Focusing on Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo*, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia, it maps local vulnerabilities throughout the region and seeks to uncover the interconnectedness of illicit activities and organized-criminal groups.

In addition, events have been organized in the framework of the Observatory to enhance local cooperation amongst civil society in the fight against organized crime and corruption as well as contribute to the Berlin Process. The topic of anti-corruption was first introduced by the Trieste Summit 2017 and in preparation to the London Summit 2018 five of the six countries in the Western Balkans stated their continuing anti-corruption commitment. Poznan 2019 will continue this dialogue between between policy makers and civil society representatives.

* References to Kosovo made throughout this report are made without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.