

NATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE EUROPEAN UNION IN THE REPUBLIC OF NORTH MACEDONIA (NCEU-MK)

18th Session of Working Group 4 – Justice, Freedom, and Security (Chapter 24)

AGENDA

TOPIC: „ The New Pact on Migration and Asylum: Security and Integration Challenges in Europe, with a Focus on the Western Balkans and the Republic of North Macedonia “

Date and time: 29th of January 2026 (Thursday), 09:30 – 14:00

Venue: Club of Deputies, Str. Mitropolit Teodosij Gologanov n.45, Skopje

Working languages: Macedonian and English

09:30 – 10:15 | OPENING REMARKS

Igor FILKOV, Minister of Justice of the Republic of North Macedonia;

Sasho PETRUSHEVSKI, State Secretary, Ministry of Internal Affairs;

Nicole EPTING, Representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) for Central and South-Eastern Europe;

Baskim BESIMI, President of the Council of Public Prosecutors in North Macedonia;

For NCEU-MK:

Mileva GJUROVSKA, National Coordinator of NCEU-MK, President of the European Movement in North Macedonia;

10:15 – 10:30 | COFFEE BREAK

10:30 – 12:00 | FIRST PANEL DISCUSSION – INTRODUCTION TO THE TOPIC AND DISCUSSION

Panelists:

Angela BORANIEVA, Director of the MARRI Regional Center;

Trpe STOJANOVSKI, NCEU-MK expert, Professor at the Faculty of Security – UKLO;

Ivona STEFANOVSKA DIMITROVSKA, Assistant Director in the Department for Border Affairs and Migration, Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of North Macedonia;

Nenad SIMIC, Head of the Office for Coordination of Activities in the Fight against Trafficking in Human Beings, Ministry of Interior of the Republic of Serbia;

Co-chair:

Andrej LEPAVCOV, Ambassador, European Movement in North Macedonia;

12:00 – 12:15 | COFFEE BREAK

12:15 – 13:30 | SECOND PANEL DISCUSSION – INTRODUCTION TO THE TOPIC AND DISCUSSION

Panelists:

Miroslava MITTELMANNOVA, Program Director of the Human Rights League, Slovakia;

Lazar JOVEVSKI, Professor, Faculty of law “Iustinianus Primus” – Skopje;

Bratka DEJANOSKA MILCHEVSKA, Head of Sector for Asylum, Department for Civil Affairs, Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of North Macedonia;

Bojana BOZINOVSKA SILJANOVSKA, President of the Macedonian Young Lawyers Association;

13:30 – 14:00 | DISCUSSION AND PRESENTATION OF DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS

Moderator:

Marina MITREVSKA, Coordinator of Working Group 4, Professor, Institute for Security, Defence, and Peace, Faculty of Philosophy, UKIM, Skopje;