



# CEFTA Week 2013

Central European Free Trade Agreement  
**CHAIRMANSHIP OF BOSNIA AND HERCEGOVINA 2013**

## AGENDA

Sarajevo, Hotel Bristol, Room Sarajevo III

SESSION III: Withdrawal of Croatia from CEFTA – impact on future regional cooperation

14:00 – 17:00 hrs, 19 November 2013

**Objective:** The objective of the session will be to assess the impact on other CEFTA parties of the Croatian withdrawal from the CEFTA Agreement and accession to the EU. The experiences of Croatia in the transitional period and the experiences of other CEFTA Parties will be discussed.

**Moderator:** Mr. Dragiša Mekić, Assistant Minister for Foreign Trade Policy, Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations BiH

**14:00 – 14:20 Croatia's experience in transiting from CEFTA to the EU**

Tatjana Tomić, Deputy Head of the State Office, Croatia

**14:20 – 14:40 The European perspective of a CEFTA Party acceding the EU**

Mr. Peter Polajner, Representative of the European Commission

**14:40 – 15:30 Key messages from the EU accession process - lessons learnt by Croatia**

Mr. Miroslav Božić, EU Support to Trade Policy and Capacity Building in BiH

**15:30 – 15:45 Coffee break**

**15:45 – 16:50 Panel Contributions/Open Floor for Discussion**

Mr. Dragiša Mekić, Assistant Minister for Foreign Trade Policy, MoFTER BiH

Mrs. Tatjana Dinkić, Ministry of Foreign Trade and Internal Trade and Telecommunications, Serbia

Other CEFTA Parties

**16:50 – 17:00**    **Conclusions and Recommendations**