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Second Regional Conference on Civil Society and Public Administration Reform

25 February 2021

10.00 – 10.30

Conference opening and setting the tone

Welcome note: **Milena Lazarevic**, WeBER2.0 Team Leader and Programme Director, European Policy Centre – CEP, Belgrade

Keynotes: **Hata Kujrakovic**, student from Sarajevo: “Merit and politics: What makes us leave and what makes us want to stay?”; **Tamara Szrentic**, Minister of Public Administration, Podgorica and **Myriam Ferran**, Director for Strategy and Turkey (NEAR.A), DG NEAR, European Commission

10.30 – 11.00

Spotlight discussion: “A meeting point between bottom-up and top-down reform impetuses”

Discussants: **Gregor Virant**, Head of SIGMA – OECD and **Milena Lazarevic**, WeBER2.0 Team Leader, CEP Belgrade

11.00 – 11.30

Presentation of the Western Balkan PAR Monitor 2019/2020

11.30 – 12.00

Break

12.00 – 13.15

Zooming into the individual PAR areas
thematic breakout discussions

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10.00 – 11.00

Civil society organisations' impact on improving administrations

examples from the Region

11.00 – 11.45

"Citizen panel" – Citizens' discussion about expectations from public administration, with online participation by conference participants

11.45 – 11.50

Presentation of the WeBER2.0 Citizens Consultation Platform - Campaign launch

11.50 – 12.30

Closing discussion: Do citizens want good administration?

Discussants: **Florian Hauser**, Team Leader, Centre of Thematic Expertise on Public Administration Reform, DG NEAR, European Commission, **Annika Uudelepp**, Country Manager for Serbia and Regional Manager for EU Enlargement, SIGMA - OECD and **Jan-Hinrik Meyer-Sahling**, Professor of Political Science at The University of Nottingham, UK, and WeBER Advisory Council member

12.30 – 12.45

Conference closing remarks

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