

CRF 2019 – Skopje and Ohrid, Republic of Macedonia

7-11 April 2019

Venue: [Holiday Inn Skopje](#)

Provisional Agenda

Day 1 – Sunday (Skopje)

Time	Program
15:00 -	Registration of participants
15:00 – 16:00	Joint Presidents Meeting Corporate Registers Forum (CRF) European Commerce Registers Forum (ECRF) International Association of Commercial Administrators (IACA) Association of Registers of Latin America and the Caribbean (ASORLAC)
16:00 – 17:30	CRF Executive Committee Meeting
19:00 – 22:00	Social event 1: Welcome Reception

Day 2 – Monday (Skopje)

Time	Program
08:00 – 16:00	Registration of participants
09:00 – 09:40	Welcoming remarks (Director CRM + Government Representative + CRF President)
09:40 – 10:00	Jurisdiction roll-call
10:00 – 10:20	Video presentation of the Central Register of the Republic of Macedonia
10:20 – 10:30	Family photo
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 – 12:30	WS 1: <i>Cross-Border Information Sharing and the Role of Registries</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Information sharing as a means of enabling cross-border trade and investment- The role of registries as primary sources of information for Know Your Customer and Anti-Money-Laundering services
12:30 – 13:45	Lunch
13:45 – 14:45	WS 2: <i>Doing Business Benchmarking as a Catalyst for Economic Reform – Experiences, Pros and Cons</i>
14:45 – 15:00	Coffee break
15:00 – 15:45	<i>International Business Registers Report</i>
15:45 – 16:30	<i>UNCITRAL Legislative Guide on Key Principles of a Business Registry</i>
Afternoon and evening	Social event 2: Tour of Skopje and dinner

Day 3 – Tuesday (Skopje)

Time	Program			
08:00 – 12:00	Registration of participants			
08:50 – 09:00	Summary of discussions from Monday			
09:00 – 10:30	WS 3: Registry Team Building Session Professionally organized and moderated session to build skills and capacity for participants in the areas of project management, leadership, teamwork and time management			
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee break			
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12:30 – 13:45	Lunch			
13:45 – 15:00	WS 5: Data Integrity, Quality and Compliance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carrots or sticks – how do we encourage compliance? - Trustworthiness and accuracy of data – unique selling point for registries 			
15:00 – 15:15	Coffee break			
15:15 – 16:30	WS 6: Challenges in modern registry management			
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17:30 - midnight	Social event 3: Dinner and winery visit + concert			

Day 4 – Wednesday (Ohrid)

Time	Program		
08:30	Departure with buses to Ohrid		
11:00 – 11:50	Arrival in Ohrid and refreshments		
11:50 – 12:00	Summary of discussions from Tuesday		
12:00 – 13:00	CRF General Assembly		
13:00 – 13:15	CRF Executive Committee Meeting		
13:00 – 15:00	Social event 4: Lunch		
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16:30 – 18:30	Social event 5: Ohrid City Tour and dinner		
Evening	Departure with buses to Skopje		

Day 5 – Thursday (Skopje)

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08:50 – 09:00	Summary of discussions from Wednesday		
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10:15 – 10:45	Coffee break		
10:45 – 12:15	Regional Breakout Sessions		
12:15 – 13:30	Lunch		
13:30 – 14:30	Workshop and roundtable discussion: Preparing a SWOT Analysis (sponsored by Platinum Sponsor) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - for a contemporary registry - for cross-border interconnection of registries 		
14:30 – 15:00	Updates IACA+ECRF+ASORLAC		
15:00 – 15:20	Invitation for CRF 2020		
15:20 – 15:30	Official Closing Ceremony		