



Network of Associations of Local
Authorities of South-East Europe
- NALAS



National Association of
Municipalities in the Republic
of Bulgaria

To: Mr./Mrs.

Position

LGA name

05 March 2015

Dear

We have the pleasure to invite representatives from all Municipalities – members of your Association to the **Annual Forum of Local Authorities of SEE, Plovdiv 2015** scheduled to take place in Plovdiv, the Republic of Bulgaria on 17 and 18 May 2015. The meeting is organized in cooperation between NALAS and NAMRB – National Association of the Municipalities in the Republic of Bulgaria with the hospitality of the City of Plovdiv.

NALAS participants will have an opportunity to visit and discuss best practices of the Plovdiv Municipality related to local economic development and enjoy Plovdiv Culture Heritage Program on 17th of May. In the afternoon session of the day, all the participants will be addressed by high officials of the political life of Bulgaria including the President of the State and representatives of the Government within the Business Fair and Market for the Municipal Projects, organized by NAMRB. At an open stage you could enjoy Bulgarian living cultural heritage, presented by local artists from all over Bulgaria.

NALAS and NAMRB will have their General Assemblies in the frame of the Annual Meeting, on 18th of May. In addition, two award ceremonies: the NAMRB Label of Good Governance at local level and the NALAS GENiYOUTH Municipal Initiatives – Inclusion of Women and Youth in Local Government Affairs in SEE will take place.

Practices of Disaster Response at local level will be presented and discussed at the panel sessions of the Conference, which will conclude with the approval of NALAS Declaration on Disaster Risk Management policies in SEE. To participate in the Conference are invited European Commissioners, Prime Minister of the Republic of Bulgaria and international experts.

Please mark in your calendar 16th of May as your arrival date in Plovdiv and 19th of May 2015 for your departure as presented in the attached draft Agenda. Additional information and Registration form for participation are attached.

We hope that you will be able to join us at this important local government event in South East Europe.

Sincerely yours,

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NALAS President

Ivan Totev
Mayor of Plovdiv

Todor Popov
NAMRB President