

***South Stream: The Evolution of a Pipeline  
Preliminary Programme: Ljubljana, 24 October 2013***

08.30: *Registration and Light Breakfast Reception*

09.00: *Greetings and Welcome to "South Stream: The Evolution of a Pipeline"*

**Samo Omerzel**, Minister of Infrastructure and Spatial Planning, Government of Slovenia

09.15: *Introduction*

**H. Rick Gill**, Managing Director, Natural Gas Europe

**Dr Anton Bebler** (Moderator), President, Euro-Atlantic Council; President, International Institute for Social Science and Energy Research

09.30: *The South Stream Project: An Overview of Development*

**Alexander Syromyatin**, Deputy Head of Project Management Department, Gazprom

10.00: *South Stream in Slovenia: An Update on Progress*

**Marjan Eberlinc** – General Manager, Plinovodi d.o.o

10.15: *Coffee Break and Media Briefing*

10.45: *Public and Stakeholder Perceptions of South Stream in Slovenia*

**Ben Shimshon**, Director, World Thinks

11.15: *Energy: A Broad Picture of Infrastructure and Demand in Europe*

**Leonid Grigoriev**, Chair of World Economy, Research University – Higher School of Economics, Moscow; Chief Advisor, Head of Analytical Centre of the Government the Russian Federation

11.30: *Gas and Euro-Russian Relations*

**Danila Bochkarev** – Senior Fellow, East West Institute

11.50: *Securing Gas Supply for Europe – energy security and economic development*

**Richard Wheeler**, Senior Programme Officer, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

12.10: *The Impact of Diversification on Consumer Prices*

**Greg Pytel**, Advisor to European Commission, Sobieski Institute

12.30: *Thoughts and Conclusions – Views on South Stream from Around Europe*

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**Dušan Bajatović** – General Director, Srbijagas

**Boyan Boyev** – Executive Director, Bulgarian Energy Holdings

12:45: *Light Lunch*