



**SEE Annual Conference**  
Advancing development through transnational  
cooperation in South East Europe  
**14-15 October 2009 Sarajevo**



## INVITATION

### CONFERENCE ON TERRITORIAL COOPERATION IN SOUTHEAST EUROPE

**YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE ORGANIZED BY THE SOUTH EAST EUROPE PROGRAMME ON 14-15 OCTOBER 2009 IN SARAJEVO, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA.**

Under the title "**Advancing development through transnational cooperation in South East Europe**", the conference aims to be the key territorial cooperation event of the year in South Eastern Europe and has the following key objectives:

-  To provide an overview of the SEE programme development.
-  To present and reinforce the role of the SEE programme in the area.
-  To disseminate information about financial support to transnational cooperation available under the second call of the SEE Programme and promote the thematic issues of interest.
-  Provide a platform for networking, exchanging best practices and building partnerships between the main programme stakeholders and other donors in the SEE area.

The conference will bring together some 400 participants, including representatives of the European Commission and other main international donors active in the region, officials and experts from the SEE countries, representatives of international organizations and academia and potential project developers. The second day of the conference will be dedicated to four thematic workshops, in line with the Programme priorities for the second call.

The conference will be complemented by a cultural Programme on the evening of 14 October, when the Sarajevo-based "Youth Symphony Orchestra of Southeast Europe" will give a concert. In this orchestra, young musicians from the different countries in the Western Balkans play side by side – a powerful message of cooperation between the SEE countries which reinforces the Programme's goal: to improve integration and competitiveness in an area which is as complex as it is diverse.

**ATTENDANCE IS UPON REGISTRATION ONLY.**

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**REGISTRATION WILL BE OPEN BETWEEN 7 SEPTEMBER - 1 OCTOBER.**

The South East Europe programme is a unique instrument which, in the framework of the Regional Policy's Territorial Cooperation Objective, aims to improve integration and competitiveness in the SEE area. The programme is supporting projects developed within four Priority Axes: Innovation, Environment, Accessibility, and Sustainable Growth Areas - in line with the Lisbon and Gothenburg priorities, and is also contributing to the integration process of the non-EU member states.

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