

PRESS RELEASE

participation of the President of Danube Commission in 19th
session of the Homeland and Global Security Forum, Crans Montana Forum,
Brussels, 25-28 October 2017

On behalf of the Danube Commission (DC), the President of the DC, H.E. Ambassador Mr. Gordan Grlic RADMAN and Director General of the Secretariat of Danube Commission, Mr. Petar MARGIC, participated in the 19th Annual Session of the Homeland and Global Security Forum in the framework of Crans Montana Forum, which took place in Brussels, on 25 to 28 October 2017.



Taking into consideration that the threat is now a global phenomenon, the life's framework is unpredictable and changing, political uncertainties are growing, the event was dedicated on enhancing police and judicial cooperation, sharing experiences and good practices, in order to renew or to reinvent social and economic models.

The Summit was attended by approximately 300 participants. It is worth to mention the presence of the President of the Republic of Macedonia, *Mr. Gjorge Ivanov*, Prime Minister of Chad, *Mr. Albert Pahimi Padacke*, Former Prime Minister of Albania, *Mr. Sali Berisha*,

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Director General of UNESCO, *Mrs. Irina Bokova*, Vice President of Italian Senate, *Mrs. Linda Lanzillota*, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of Romania, *Mrs. Monica Gheorghita*, Deputy Speaker of House of Assembly of Swaziland, *Mrs. Esther Dlamini*, State Secretary of transport of Romania, *Mr. Dragos Titea* etc..

This Homeland and Global Security Forum was also attended by the representatives of diverse international organizations, governmental and non-governmental organizations and of the diplomatic corps. As it was mentioned above, the Danube Commission has been represented by the President, Mr. Gordan Grlic RADMAN.

At the official opening of the Forum, President of the Danube Commission Gordan Grlic RADMAN had an intervention regarding the role of international and regional organizations in conflict prevention and resolution. In his intervention, Mr. President mentioned the very important role of the regional cooperation in the framework of the international organization in order to maintain peace and security. In this regard Grlić Radman informed the audience that Danube Commission, in order to integrate the experience of different stakeholders, has pioneered the first European-scale-security paper for inland navigation. He also spoke regarding the impact of the international organizations in political stability of the countries.

A special focus was given to the discussion of the Forum related to «the three seas initiatives», where Mr. Radman paid attention to the strengthening and reinforcement of the cooperation within the central European North – South axis, from Baltic Sea to Adriatic and Black Seas. An important topic of this panel represented – «Central Europe becoming the Western terminus of the Silk Road».

As a result of the Forum, the *Memorandum of Understanding between the Danube Commission and the Crans Montana Forum* was signed (click). This Memorandum was signed in order to strengthen the relations between the Danube Commission and Crans Montana forum and to provide the framework for future cooperation in the fields of mutual interest.

The **Crans Montana Forum** is a Swiss Non-Governmental International Organization whose importance and prestige have been globally well-established since 1986. Its oldest Forums are held each year in Crans-Montana (CH-VS) and Geneva (CH-GE). It is formally recognized by and work with all major International Organizations, Governments, Business and Non-Governmental Organizations.

The various Forums organized worldwide (Brussels, Geneva, Rabat, Dakhla, Vienna, Crans-Montana, Bucharest, Baku, Zagreb, Roma, Sarajevo, Tirana, Athens, Malta, Bahrain etc...) represent exceptional opportunities for Businesses and Government Officials to implement their strategies, strengthen relationships with partners and create new ones, and build cooperation opportunities.