INTERNATIONAL FORUM

Bringing Korea's Experience in Innovation, Education and Science to Bulgaria

June 4th, 2015 Grand Hotel Sofia



Dear Honorable Guest,

We are pleased to invite you to the international forum "Bringing Korea's Experience in Innovation, Education and Science to Bulgaria", which will take place on June 4th at the Grand Hotel Sofia. The event is held under the patronage of the Ministry of Education and Science.

The event will demonstrate the success of one of the top innovation economies in the world through the eyes of a former high-level government official, OECD senior economist, specialist in strategic planning and senior manager of top innovative company from Korea.

High level Bulgarian government officials and top innovation companies in Bulgaria will also join the discussion panel as we would like to hear the reflections from the Korean experience on the case of Bulgaria.

More information about the event at <u>http://ino.vuzf.bg/korea</u>

Please, confirm your participation.

Looking forward to welcoming you at the event,

Prof. Grigorii Vazov, Rector VUZF University of Finance, Business Entrepreneurship

H.E. Shin Maeng-Ho, Ambassador Embassy of the Republic of Korea and to Bulgaria

Encl. Agenda of the international forum.

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09.30-10.00 Welcome Address

Minister of Economy/Minister of Education and Science (tbc) Mr. Elen Gerdjikov, Chair of Sofia Municipality Council H.E. Shin Maeng-ho, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Bulgaria Prof. Grigorii Vazov, Rector, VUZF University

10.00-10.30 [Presentation] "Making Education Reform Happen in Korea"

Keynote Speaker: Prof. Ju-Ho Lee, Former Minister of Education, Science and Technology of the Republic of Korea

10.30-11.45 Panel Discussion

Moderator: Dr. Evgeni Evgeniev, Associate Professor, VUZF University

Guest Speakers (2 short introductory presentations): Dr. Sanghoon Ahn, Senior Economist, OECD Mr. Chris Chung, Head of Samsung Electronics Bulgaria

Panelists:

Prof. Nikolai Denkov, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Education and Science Prof. Kostadin Kostadinov, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Education and Science Mr. Iravan Hira, General Manager, HP Bulgaria Dr. Hong-Bum Kim, Korea Research & Innovation Centre - Europe

11.45-12.30 Cocktail Reception