



**Programme of the conference organized within the Visegrad + project  
‘Ukrainian refugees in Central Europe and the Balkans - lessons learned  
and policy recommendations’**

**Venue: Daut Pashin Amam, Boulevard Goce Delchev, Skopje,  
October 18-20, 2023**

**Wednesday (October, 18)**

9:30 – 10:00 Opening address

Prof. Marjan Bojadziev, Ph.D, *Rector of the University of American Colleague Skopje*

H.E.Ms. Larysa Dir, *Ambassador of Ukraine in the Republic of North Macedonia (tbc)*

H.E. Krum Efremov, *Ambassador at Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of North Macedonia,  
Former Ambassador of North Macedonia in Kyiv, Ukraine, Associate Professor at University  
American College Skopje*

Ms. Cristina Bunea, *Protection Officer, UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency*

Moderator of the opening ceremony: Assoc.Prof. Marina Andeva, Ph.D, *School of Political Science,  
University American College Skopje*

10:00 – 11:00 Presentation of the Visegrad + project

Dr. Bartosz Czepil, *Adjunct – Department of Regional Studies, University of Opole (Poland)*

*11:00 – 11.20 Coffee break*

11:20 – 12:20 UNHCR role in approaching the global problem of refugees

12:20 – 13:30 Address from Ukrainian NGO in North Macedonia

*13:30 - end of the first day*

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## **Thursday (October, 19)**

### 10:00 – 11:30 Presentation of Country Studies: Session 1 (4 cases)

- Country study 1: case of Montenegro (dr Danijela Vuković-Ćalasan, dr Mehmed Đečević, University of Montenegro)
- Country study 2: case of Czech Republic (dr Kateřina Ženková Rudincová, University of Ostrava; dr Lukáš Vomlela, Silesian University in Opava)
- Country study 3: case of Slovakia (prof. Jaroslav Mihalik, dr Michal Garaj, University of St. Cyril and Methodius in Trnava)
- Country study 4: case of Poland (dr Bartosz Czepil, University of Opole; prof. Jarosław Jańczak, Adam Mickiewicz University of Poznań)

*11:30 – 11:45 Coffee break*

### 11:45– 12:45 Presentation of Country Studies: Session 2 (3 cases)

- Country study 5: case of North Macedonia (Assoc. Prof. Marina Andeva, Matej Petrovski, MA Candidate, University American College Skopje)
- Country study 6: case of Hungary (dr Andrea Schmidt, dr Viktor Glied, University of Pécs)
- Country study 7: case of Romania (dr Cristian Incaltarau, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi; dr Alexandru Mocernac, Babeş-Bolyai University in Cluj-Napoca)

### 12:45 – 14:00 How to become a youth advocate for refugee rights? (Session 3)

*14:00-14:30 Coffee break and snack*

### 14:30 – 16.00 Participatory Session 4: lessons learned from the country studies and policy recommendations forming.

## **Friday (October, 20)**

10:30 – 12:30 Visit to Vizbegovo Refugee Center (organized for the researchers from the CEEPUS network only)