

Program for Stanford OSP Berlin WILL TRIP

To Sofia May 4 –7, 2006

Schedule

Thursday, May 4

7:45 am	Meeting at Tegel Airport, Central Information Desk
8:55	Departure to Prague: Czech Airlines CSA Flight OK 517N
9:55	Arrival in Prague, 90 minutes Stop
11:30	Departure to Sofia: Czech Airlines CSA Flight OK 856N
14:25	Arrival at Sofia Vrajdebna airport, Bus 84 to the city
15:00	Check in at Hotel Sveta Sofia
15:30 – 16:30	Meeting with Lyudmila Georgieva (NGO: Common Cause) and Sevdalina Voynova (National Democratic Institute for International Affairs) Building democracy in a country of transition
16:30	City walking tour with Bulgarian students
19:00	☉ Dinner at Restaurant Magernitsa with Bulgarian students and Anelia Atanassova (After Dinner Speech) Co-founder Bulgarian Legislative Drafting Institute (LDI) How to fight corruption: Bulgarian experiences

Friday, May 5

08:00 – 9:30	☉ Breakfast in Hotel
10:00 – 11:30	Meeting with Nikolai Slatinsky Secretary of the National Security to the President of State, ex-Chair of the Committee on the National Security at the 36 th Parliament Bulgaria as a strategic partner of the West
12:30 – 13:30	☉ Lunch
14:00 – 15:00	Meeting with former Prime Minister Simeon II von Sachsen-Coburg und Gotha (at the party Headquarter "National Movement Simeon II") SU meets SU – walk to the University of Sofia
15:30 – 16:30	Meeting with Jean Monnet Professor Rumyana Kolarova University of Sofia, Political Science Department Bulgaria as a future EU member state
19:00	☉ Dinner at Restaurant Egur-Egur II with Prof. Kolarova and Vessela Tcherneva (After Dinner Speech) Centre for Liberal Strategies (CLS), Project Coordinator of the International Commission on the Balkans Bulgaria and the Balkans

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Saturday, May 6

08:00 – 09:00	☉ Breakfast in Hotel
9:00	Bus tour to the country side / Rila Monastery
13:30	☉ Lunch at Bansko
14:30	Visit of Bansko
ca. 18:00	Return to Sofia / Free time / No common dinner

Sunday, May 7

08:00 – 09:00	☉ Breakfast in Hotel
9:30 – 12:00	Visit of cultural sights in Sofia
12:30	☉ Lunch
13:30	Leaving the Hotel, Bus 84 to the airport
15:10	Departure from Sofia airport Vrajdebna, to Prague with Czech Airlines Flight Number OK 857 T
16:05	Arrival at Prague
17:40	Departure from Prague to Berlin, Czech Airlines OK 518T
18:40	Arrival at Berlin Tegel

Addresses and Links

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http://www.sofiahotels.net/sveta_sofia.shtml

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Walking tour through Sofia with

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Restaurant (Thursday evening)

Magernitsa restaurant 67 Han Asparouh str., tel.: + 359 2 980 38 83 or 980 33 03

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Sofia University

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Prof. Kolakova GSM +359 (0) 888837170; office phone +359-2-9711002
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Restaurant (Friday evening)

Egur-Egur II (10 Dobrudzha Str., Tel.0035 (02) 989 33 83, (088) 879 06 46)

<http://www.programata.bg/index.php?page=details&ln=2&city=1&pid=1796>

<http://www.balkan-commission.org/>

http://www.cls-sofia.org/about_us/index-en.htm

Rila Monastery

Photos see:

http://sonjainsofia.yourblog.de/blog/sonja_in_sofia/albun/rila_monastery

Restaurant (Sunday noon)

WEATHER:

Average May temperature in Sofia is **60s F**. It can be rainy.

Sofia is on the same latitude as Rome, but is 1,500 feet higher in elevation and has a climate similar to the Intermountain West of the United States. Plants, flowers, and fruits common to Britain and France grow well here, but the climate is too cold for citrus.

CLOTHING:

- For **Thursday** the participants should have comfortable shoes as you will have a guided walking tour of Sofia in the afternoon with students from Sofia university and students from the minority of Roma.
- For **Saturday** we will go to the country side and might also have a walk. Bring walking shoes for a little walk. Bansko is a ski resort and it can be dirty.

CURRENCY:

1 EUR = 1,94 Lew

1 Lew = 0,51 EUR

1 USD = 1,62 Lew

1 Lew = 061 USD

Credit cards – Visa, MasterCard/Eurocard, American Express, Diner’s Club – are widely accepted in most places (ARE THEY?).

TIME:

In Bulgaria it’s **one hour later** than in Germany. Flight schedule considers local time.

AREA CODE: +359