

Dear partners and friends,

It is a great pleasure for us to share with you current and recent activities of the Bulgarian School of Politics "Dimitry Panitza"!

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## Current activities and initiatives

Tracy Gary's book "Inspired Philanthropy - Your Step-by-Step Guide to Creating a Giving Plan and Leaving a Legacy" is now available in Bulgarian! It was published by the Bulgarian School of Politics "Dimitry Panitza" under the project "Promoting Philanthropic Culture in Bulgaria" funded by the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation. The book provides useful tips on how to structure our philanthropic activities and give in a more effective way. Very helpful are the ideas on how to educate young generations in philanthropy and inspire them to support different charity causes. The book also contains many exercises, worksheets and appendices that could help readers clarify their giving goals and priorities and develop a complete giving plan. Please feel free to contact the School for a free copy!

The second course of the National Programme on "Regional Development and Local Government" is going to be held from 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> December in Pravets. More information about the event will be included in the next bulletin.



## Recent activities

On 14<sup>th</sup> November the Bulgarian School of Politics "Dimitry Panitza" and the German Embassy to Bulgaria organized a conference "Energy Efficiency Investment Mechanisms". The goal of the forum was to define the optimal policy mechanisms that could bring sufficient investments flow into energy efficiency projects in the building

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sector and the industry in Bulgaria. The conference was addressed by the Minister of Economy, Energy and Tourism Delian Dobrev. More information about the event and its outcomes could be found at <http://energy-conference.schoolofpolitics.org/index-en.html> or <http://www.schoolofpolitics.org/index.php/news-blog/367-ministar-delqn-dobrev>

The first seminar from the National Program 2012/2013 entitled “Leadership, organization, communication” took place from 31 October to 04 November at the RIU hotel, Pravets. Ms Ekaterina Mihajlova - a Deputy Speaker of the National Parliament, the mayor of Sofia Ms Yordanka Fandakova, members of parliament, ambassadors, mayors and municipal councilors attended the official ceremony for opening of the new School year. To follow the most interesting moments throughout the course, please visit

<http://www.schoolofpolitics.org/eng/index.php/news/189-the-national-program-governing-skills-2012-2013-started>,  
<http://www.schoolofpolitics.org/eng/index.php/news/192-mr-julian-popov-the-mission-of-the-bulgarian-school-of-politics-to-support-the-creation-of-a-community-of-civic-and-political-leaders>,  
<http://www.schoolofpolitics.org/eng/index.php/news/197-ivan-stancioff-bulgarian-school-of-politics>,  
<http://www.schoolofpolitics.org/eng/index.php/news/193-leandarlitov-cernex-amp-l-for-good-team-work-and-tolerance>,  
<http://www.schoolofpolitics.org/eng/index.php/news/195-sergey-ignatov-bulgarian-school-of-politics>

From 31<sup>st</sup> October to 3<sup>rd</sup> November Mr. Zied Hadhri, a Program Officer at the Tunisian School of Politics, took part in a **study visit to the Bulgarian School of Politics “Dimitry Panitza”**. During the visit, Mr. Hadhri observed the training process at the National Program and had meetings with lecturers, small group moderators and the members of the Consultative Council to the Executive Director of the Bulgarian School of Politics. He also had meetings with Prof. Antony Todorov and Ass. Prof. Antony Galabov from the New Bulgarian University, as well as with Ms Luiza Slavkova and Ms Yordanka Evgenieva from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bulgaria.



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