Opening remarks

13:00 -13:05	Mr Sam van der Staak, Director of International IDEA's Regional Europe Programme
13:05 -13:10	Dr Giulio Venneri, Team leader, Rule of law and Democracy Team, DG NEAR

Presentation

13:10 -13:20 Findings of the <u>Global State of Democracy (GSoD) 2022: Forging social</u> contracts in a time of discontent and introduction of the <u>GSoD Indices</u> and <u>Democracy Tracker</u>

 Mr <u>Alberto Fernandez Gibaja</u>, Senior Programme Officer at International IDEA's Democracy Assessment team

Presentation

13:20-13:25 Main Global State of Democracy findings for the Western Balkans

 Ms <u>Gentiana Gola</u>, Programme Officer at International IDEA's Democracy Assessment team

Panel discussion

13:25 -14:25 Global State of Democracy findings for the Western Balkans: What is on the horizon?

- Ms Aleksandra Tomanić, Executive Director of the European Fund for the Balkans
- Mr <u>Demush Shasha</u>, Executive Director, European Policy Institute of Kosovo
- Mr <u>Gjergji Vurmo</u>, Programme Director, Institute for Democracy and Mediation, Albania
- Dr Simonida Kacarska, Director, European Policy Institute, North Macedonia
- Moderator: Ms <u>Blerta Hoxha</u>, Programme Officer within International IDEA's Regional Europe Programme.

14:25 - 14:45 Discussion and questions from the audience

14:45 - 14:50 Closing remarks and conclusions