

*Policy Forum*

**Economic Security and Investment Screening**

28 March 2024  
Serdika Hall, Sofia Balkan Palace Hotel

*Agenda*

**10:00**      *Welcome coffee*

**10:30**      *Opening*

**Dr. Ognian Shentov**, Chairman, Center for the Study of Democracy  
**Kenneth Merten**, Ambassador of the United States of America to Bulgaria

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**Ruslan Stefanov**, Program Director, Center for the Study of Democracy  
**Aleksandar Ivanov**, Deputy Chair, Committee on Economic Policy and Innovation,  
National Assembly

**Rumiana Bachvarova**, Senior Associate Fellow, Center for the Study of Democracy  
**Iliia Krastev**, Chairman of the Managing Board, Association for Innovation, Business  
Excellence, Services and Technology – AIBEST

*Discussion*

*Chair:* **Dimitar Markov**, Director, Law Program, Center for the Study of Democracy

**11:30**      *Closing*