

Serbian Unity Congress

12th Annual Convention
Chicago, October 4-6, 2002

FRIDAY, October 4

- 9:00 – 12:00 noon **REGISTRATION (Main Lobby - Booths A&B)**
- 8:00 – 9:30 a.m. Board of Directors' Meeting (Ozark Rooms A&B)
- 9:30 – 11:45 a.m. International Advisory Board Meeting (Continental Rooms A&B)
- 11:30 - 12:00 noon Press briefing (Ozark Rooms A&B)

LUNCH (Diplomat & Viscount Rooms)

- 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. **SERBIAN LEADERSHIP: What the Diaspora Can Do**
Father Irinej Dobrijevic, Office of External Affairs, Washington. D.C.
John Saylor, Director of Government Relations, Cargo Transport, Inc.

SERBIAN ECONOMIC FORUM

(IAB & Registered Participants)

LECTURE (Northwest & TWA Rooms)

- 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. **DOING BUSINESS IN SERBIA: Needs & Opportunities**
Aleksandar Vlahovic, Minister of Privatization – “Privatization Law and Current Efforts of Serbia”
Rade Veselinovic, President of Chamber of Commerce of Serbia - “Chamber Program, Diaspora Business Council and New Reforms”
- 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. **Business Panel and Q&A**
Business Council for Southeastern Europe
Serbian American Chamber of Commerce
US Department of Commerce
Chamber of Commerce of Serbia
US Diaspora Business Council

BUSINESS RECEPTION (American Room)

- 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. By-invitation-only reception for Economic Forum participants

EVENING PROGRAM

- 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. **No-Host Bar (United Rooms A&B)**
- 7:00 p.m. **Dinner/ Program / Entertainment (Rosemont Rooms A&B)**
IAB Member Awards
BLAGO Project Presentation
Tribute to Unknown Serbian Hero
Steven Katich “Diaspora Role: Advising the President”

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

OPENING OF GENERAL SESSION (Rosemont Rooms C&D)

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. **Blessing, Hymns, Greetings & Program Review**

9:00 – 10:45 a.m. **KOSOVO: The Present and the Outlook**

Nebojsa Covic, Special Envoy of Serbia for Kosovo – Serbia's Policy on Kosovo
S.U.C. reports – "The True Picture of *Off-Limits Kosovo*"
UN Personnel – "Serbs in Kosovo Today"

10:45 – 12:15 a.m. **SERBIAN DIPLOMACY & THE DIASPORA**

Ivan Vujacic, Ambassador of Yugoslavia to the US
Miodrag Perisic, Ambassador of Yugoslavia to Canada
Nebojsa Covic, Special Envoy of Serbia for Kosovo

LUNCH (Rosemont Room B)

12:30 – 2:00 a.m. **BOSNIA & HERCEGOVINA: Peace & Republika Srpska**

Igor Davidovic, Ambassador of Bosnia & Herzegovina to the USA

GENERAL SESSION Continues(Rosemont Rooms C&D)

2:30 – 4:00a.m. **SERBIAN YOUTH: The Next Generation at the Helm**

Youth from Serbia and Diaspora explore their visions and potential for cooperation

4:00 - 5:30 a.m. **Workshops**

WASHINGTON & DIPLOMACY (Allegheny Room)

DIASPORA: RIGHTS AND COLLABORATION (Pan Am Rooms A&B)

EVENING PROGRAM

6:00 – 7:00 a.m. **No-Host Bar (United Rooms A&B)**

7:00 a.m. **GALA DINNER / Program / Entertainment (Rosemont Rooms A&B)**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

GENERAL SESSION Continues(Rosemont Rooms C&D)

9:00 – 11:00 a.m. **Reports**

Projects
Workshops
Resolutions

11:00 - 12:00 a.m. **Elections & New Business**

12:00 – 12:30 a.m. **Press Conference (Northwest & TWA Rooms)**

CONVENTION ENDS

*Room for Media: 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. (Ozark Rooms A&B)