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V. INTERNATIONAL SCINETIFIC CONFERENCE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND STANDARD OF LIVING "EDASOL 2015"

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Opening speech

Academician Prof.Dr.Dragoljub Mirjanić

Secretary General of the Academy of Science and Arts of Republika Srpska

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Room: A-1, first floor

10:40 a.m.

**Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen,
Respected working presidency of conference,
Honorable rector of Pan-european university Apeiron,
Distinguished members of Management board of University Apeiron,
Dear guests and participants of Fifth international scientific conference on
economic development and standard of living – “EDASOL 2015”,**

**I want to greet you on behalf of President of the Academy of Science and Arts of
Republika Srpska, Academician Prof.Dr.Rajko Kuzmanović, and I want to
express our full support to the organization of scientific conferences, such as
today’s conference, organized by University Apeiron.**

**As the announced in the Call for participation, main theme of conference is:
“PRODUCTION AND SERVICES, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION, LOGISTICS
AND SUPPLY CHAINS IN THE FUNCTION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT”.**

**The elements and structures of these topic are playing very important role in the
functioning of each economic system worldwide.**

**Today in the era of globalisation, we can not imagine the healthy economic
development without the fulfilling of all appropriate conditions for optimal
competitiveness in the economies of transitions countries, such they are the
countries of the Southeastern Europe (SEE). These preconditions for successful
quality of state economies are given widely in the field’s of new technology and
materials, in modern production and sustainable services concepts, including
the optimization of all the costs and resources into the supply chain as the key
function of business logistics. We, in the academic community, are very
interested in scientific and technical support in the definition of policies and
strategies for the realization of these goals, which are set in the main theme of
the conference.**

**I want to be very clear in the determining of key role of scientific community into
the social and economic development and progress in order to increase the
quality of living standard of all citizens into the entire region of SEE –
*“Universities and other high school institutions, the scientific and research
instituts, whether they are public or private, including, in case of our state
community, the Academy of Science and Art of Republika Srpska, have to be
generators, engines, center’s of brains, initiators, implementers, managers,
strategists, developers and researchers for all necessary processes for the
decision and policy makers in their countries.”***

We are asking the politicians to support the budget's for science, research and technology development in entire region. In this sense we are trying to fulfill the recommendations of the European Strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth-Europe 2020. This strategy paper predicts expenditure for science as share of 3% of GDP up to Year 2020.

Unfortunately, the countries in entire region of SEE are very far away from that goals and shares. In the same time, we do hope to come on the levels above, before the Year 2020 – only if we are going to have deeply responsible governments in our countries, which will recognize the importance of the role of science in addressing the key social objectives and tasks.

We, in the Academy, confirm and support the University Apeiron on implementing the concept of series of conferences on economic development and standard of living – EDASOL, and we do hope that these activities will open a new window for science and praxis in Pan-european academic area.

Also, we want to congratulate the organizational and program committee for the selection of these topics and other topics presented on agenda's in the past five years, and do hope that today's work of conference will be successful for both, participants and organizers.

ON BEHALF OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE ACADEMY OF SCIENCE AND ARTS OF REPUBLIKA SRPSKA, I DECLARE THE CONFERENCE OFFICIALY OPEN!

Thank you for your attention.

**Academician Prof.Dr.Dragoljub Mirjanić
Secretary General of the Academy of Science and Arts of Republika Srpska**