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The founding of the **Think-tank network – Macedonia** is a result of the initiative of seven think-tanks from the Republic of Macedonia, aiming to accomplish a common activity.

AIMS:

The activities of the network are the result of a mutual impetus from all members. The objectives of the Network are the following:

- Presenting the role of the think tank organizations in the society;
- Presenting the organizations in this sector in Republic of Macedonia ;
- Presenting the outcomes of our work ;
- Encouraging initiatives for future acting in accordance with our mission and those of the involved organizations;
- Initiating a forum for discussion on topics about the political and socio-economic development and potentials – in line with our missions;
- Encouraging motivation and recruitment of volunteers.
- Mutual work on projects with broader scope.

Project “Political Dialogue 2007

Macedonia on the doorstep to the EU and the NATO-the joint responsibility of all political parties

The project intends to foster dialogue and awareness among the political parties, their activists and the general public on the importance of a political climate and structure adequate to an EU and NATO country and in accordance with all international standards. The project will carry out a series of activities in the field, including town hall meetings and roundtables to discuss the role and the partnership of all the political parties in the democratic system, their responsibility for the development of the society and the countries national and international goals. These activities will be anticipated by meetings with the leadership-level of the political parties to gain their commitments, support and engagement for the initiative. The political parties will be also able in this stage of the project to give their own individual input on discussion topics for the roundtables. After every regional meeting conduct and results of the meeting will be discussed with the political party at leadership level and used for the preparation of the next meeting.

Start of the Leadership Monitoring Project

The new Government has committed itself to many reforms, but has also shown a determination for their implementation. The success of these reforms depends on proper ideological foundations. These foundations are: economic freedom, property rights protection, good business environment, low taxes, low regulatory burden , efficient and expert bureaucracy, public service managed based on performance, wide area of public services, transparency, fight against corruption, security, stability and good international positioning. In order to preserve in the implementation of the promised policies, the



government will have to institute these ideological foundations in the first months of its administration and use them as guidelines throughout its mandate.

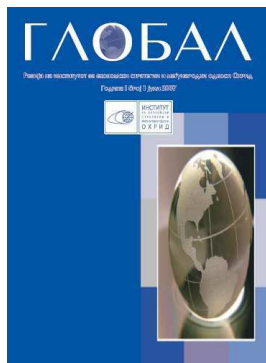
The people of Macedonia expect a lot from the Government. What they expect sometimes border with miracle. However, the Government has to deliver. It has a historical obligation to the people of Macedonia and their state. Underperformance could lead to political apathy and despair. It would not be acceptable. The Government will have to invest a lot of hard work, knowledge and wisdom in order to succeed. The people that gave it the mandate for leadership because they believe it can do it. The Leadership Monitoring Project has simple goal and aspirations, to monitor the work of the Government thus analyzing the promised, implemented and non implemented activities, included in the Pre election program 2006- 2010. The OHRID Institute engaged 10 experts from different areas, thus covering the fields of economy, transport and communication, education, internal affairs, foreign affairs, health and sports. The experts are supposed to work using the Monitoring based matrix and write the Reports, while the Project coordinator should assemble and complete the separate analysis thus making one integral Report. The Reports will be written for a two – month analyzed period.

Meeting with the OHRID Institute's Experts involved in the Leadership Monitoring Project

Due to the beginning of the Leadership Monitoring Project, and the progress of the first Report, the OHRID Institute had an informative meeting, on which the strategies and the goals were rechecked and affirmed by the Project Coordinator, the ten experts and the staff of the OHRID Institute. On the meeting the conclusions and arrangements about the presentations, the Report, the Monitoring based Matrix were fixed and agreed. It was concluded that each expert should give its own brief presentation of the analyzed field for the particular period, thus preceded with executed Matrix, which should present a guide for the narrative Report. After the Project details were agreed, and each expert was assured to be on the right path, the meeting was concluded.

Publishing the first issue of the magazine “GLOBAL”

"GLOBAL" is a topical quarterly magazine for political and economical issues, published by the



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The magazine “GLOBAL” is structured to promote the most quality research articles of all domain's and aspects of economy, politics and society. Its and ours purpose is to support the authors, analysts, researchers and to present theirs point of views analyzed and elaborated in distinguished articles.

The intention of the editors is to present forum for discussions, debates and reformulating of key questions from specified area. In the first issue of

“GLOBAL” are included articles from the economic area, the political development and the culture.

We believe and we hope that the first issue of the magazine “GLOBAL” will fulfill your expectations and will contribute for future academic and professional development.

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