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IUC Diplomats Event, October 10, 10.00 – 13.00

Representation of the European Commission in Croatia

Augusta Cesarca 4-6, Zagreb

Academic Freedom for national and regional development

9.30 – 10.00 Reception and registration

10.00 – 10.05 Opening and Welcome

Ms Zrinka Ujević, Head of the EC Representation to Croatia

10.05 – 10.15 The IUC-Dubrovnik: Building Bridges Regionally and Globally

Ms Nada Bruer Ljubišić, Executive Secretary IUC-Dubrovnik

10.15 – 10.25 The IUC as Home of Academic Freedom

Prof. Ivan Šimonović, University of Zagreb, IUC Director General

10.25 – 10.35 Academic Freedom as a Public Good

Prof. Gunn E. Birkelund, University of Oslo, Chair IUC Executive Committee

10.35 – 10.45 Academic Freedom: Precondition for National and Regional Development

Prof. Wieger Bakker, Utrecht University, IUC Deputy Director General

10.45 – 11.00 Short Break

11.00 – 11.45 Conversation

1: Where do you see threats to (and opportunities for) academic freedom and what effects do you observe for scientific collaboration, economic progress and more?

2: How can we as academics and members of the diplomatic community collaborate in order to support academic freedom and to foster scientific and national/regional progress? Please share with us your concrete suggestions.

3: Any other topics the participants consider important and urgent?

11.45 – 12.00 Summary and Conclusion

Prof. Ivan Šimonović, University of Zagreb, Director General IUC

12.00 – 13.00 Light luncheon – Nico's Bar, Augusta Cesarca 6