

## PROGRAM

### INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

### “ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: IMPLICATIONS FOR POLICYMAKERS”

SOFIA, 26 FEBRUARY 2019

HILTON HOTEL, 14.00 – 18.30

**14.00 – 14.30 - Registration**

**14.30 – 14.40 OPENING**

- **Mr. Thorsten Geissler** – Director of Konrad Adenauer Stiftung Bulgaria
- **Dr. Zdravko Popov**, President of the Public Policy Institute

**14.40 – 14.50 GREETINGS**

- **H.E. Masato Watanabe** – Ambassador of Japan in Bulgaria
- **Mr. York Schuegraff** – Charge d’affaires of the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in Bulgaria

**14.50 – 15.20 Ms. Mariya Gabriel**, EU-Commissioner for Digital Economy and Society – “Artificial Intelligence – Human Oriented Approach”

**15.20 – 15.40 Mr. Tomislav Donchev**, Vice-Premier of the Republic of Bulgaria

**Moderator: Assoc.Prof. Dr. Zdravko Popov**, President of Public Policy Institute

## 15.40 – FIRST PANEL

15.40 – 16.15 – **Dr. Hiroshi Yamakawa**, Head of Dwango Artificial Intelligence Laboratory, Japan – “Artificial Intelligence: Implications for Policymakers”

## 16.15 – 16.30 – COFFEE BREAK

16.30 – 16.55 – **Ambassador Dr. Lubomir Todorov**, Head of the Artificial Intelligence Program of the Public Policy Institute – “Artificial Intelligence and the Human Agency: the Empowerment Problem”

16.55 – 17.20 – **Dr. Nabil Alsabah**, Head of the Cybersecurity in BITCOM, Germany

**Moderator: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Boris Grozdanov**, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences

## 17.20 – Second PANEL

17.20 – 17.45 – **Assoc. Prof. Dr. Boris Grozdanov**, Researcher in Bulgarian Academy of Sciences – “DISI and BAS: Challenges before Artificial General Intelligence”

17.45 – 18.10 – **Mr. Deyan Mihaylov**, University of Cambridge, UK – “Quantum Computing and Artificial Intelligence – a Match Made in Heaven”

18.10 – 18.25 - **Mr. Sebastian Weise**, Expert for Innovation Policy in Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Germany

18.25 – Closing Remarks

**Moderator: Ambassador Dr. Lubomir Todorov**, Public Policy Institute

## 18.30 – COCKTAIL