

## Announcement

### OSCE Mission to Moldova invites to 2009 Public Lecture Series

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### “Autonomy, Federalization, Devolution: Power Sharing Models in the OSCE Area”

Starting on 24 March 2009, the OSCE Mission to Moldova continues its public lectures program.

The aim of the 2009 lecture series is to present theories and practices of power sharing models in the OSCE area and to discuss to what extent they could serve as models for Moldova and the Transnistrian settlement process.

Lectures are open to anyone. They address not only students, but everyone who is interested in broadening his or her knowledge on this topic or discussing issues related to power-sharing.

Lectures will be given in English, with simultaneous translation into Russian.

Journalists are welcome to attend the lectures and report about them.

Lectures will be held at the Tiraspol Office of the OSCE Mission to Moldova (2<sup>nd</sup> floor), starting at 18:00, free access.

#### Programme of OSCE Public Lectures:

##### **25 March**

Power Sharing and Democracy – Oleh Protsyk (*Senior Research Associate, European Centre for Minority Issues – Flensburg, Germany*)

##### **15 April**

Federalism: A tool for Integration? – Francesco Palermo (*Senior Legal Adviser, Office of the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities – Hague, Netherlands*)

##### **21 May**

Devolution in the UK: Model for Moldova? – Stefan Wolff (*Professor of Political science and Director, Centre for International Crisis Management and Conflict Resolution, University of Nottingham – England, UK*)

##### **16 September**

Dependencies: The Isle of Man and others – St. John Bates (*Professor of Law, University of Strathclyde – UK, Managing Director, Bates Enterprises Ltd., Isle of Man*)

**14 October**

Autonomy Solutions: The example of the Aland Islands – Markku Suksi (*Professor, Abo Akademi – Finland*)

**18 November**

Is there a federal solution to the conflict over Transnistria? – Stefan Wolff (*Professor of Political science and Director, Centre for International Crisis Management and Conflict Resolution, University of Nottingham – England, UK*)

**17 December**

Power Sharing in the Light of the Transnistrian Settlement Process – Thomas Markert (*Deputy Secretary of the Venice Commission of the Council of Europe*)

For further details please access: [www.osce.org/moldova](http://www.osce.org/moldova) or call at: 887 853.