



The Acting Assistant Minister of Foreign Affairs for Security Policy, Ambassador Branimir Filipovic, participated in the first panel: "Serbia, the United Kingdom and the global world", within the framework of the International Scientific Conference on Serbian (Yugoslav) – UK Relations from 19th – 21st Centuries, organized on 26-27 January 2018, by the Centre for British Studies, Faculty of Political Sciences, with the support of the British Embassy in Belgrade.

The Conference was opened by UK Ambassador in Belgrade Denis Keef, Dean of the Faculty of Political Sciences Prof Dr Dragan Simic and President of the Board of the Centre for British Studies Professor Emeritus Dr. Vukasin Pavlovic.

In addition to Ambassador Filipovic, the panellists of panel one, moderated by Prof Dr Spyros Economides of the London School of Economics and Political Science, included Sir John Randal, Special Adviser to the British Prime Minister, former Cabinet member and House of Commons MP; David Gowen, former British Ambassador in Belgrade; and Prof Dr Christopher Coker of London School of Economics and Political Science.

The participants in other panels, discussing a number of historical and other aspects of relations between the two countries in different fields, were former Serbian and UK diplomats, UK university professors, including Serbian professors and researchers at the Faculty of Political Sciences, Faculty of Philology, Faculty of Philosophy, and other scientific institutions.

The Conference is a follow-up to last year's activities related to the commemoration of the 180th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Serbia and the United Kingdom, held at the meeting in Kragujevac, on 12 June 2017, attended by First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Ivica Dacic, and the event at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office in London, on 17 October 2017, whose participants included British Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson and Foreign Office Minister for Europe Sir Alan Duncan, and other high-ranking representatives of British institutions.