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Hellenic Darkness Festival 2013 – the night of Greek metal starring ROTTING CHRIST and other Hellenic heroes!

MetalGate Productions invites you to a Greek metal show, featuring the line-up of **three killer acts** from the land of the gods, joined by a **tandem of shield-bearers** from the ranks of the Czech hordes. Headlining the whole gig is the famed quartet from Athens **ROTTING CHRIST**, which performed last year on MetalGate Czech Death Fest, where it earned a rightful praise for its flawless and energetic show. One would hardly suspect that this icon started almost 25 years ago as a grindcore band! Today, Rotting Christ brings a unique sound that mixes, with the skill of a master alchemist, ingredients from death, black, even gothic metal.

In Prague, **ROTTING CHRIST** will furthermore present their **brand new album**, which will be unleashed March 1, 2013, thus making Hellenic Darkness Festival not only a **release party**, but also the **onset of a worldwide tour** devoted to this new opus.

The second emissary of the Greek contingent is the black metal horde **RAVENCULT**, which brings both instrumental mastery and plenty of musical ideas. Furthermore, when they allow their blast to slow down, the monolithic nature of their litanies comes beautifully to the surface. The final addition to the invasion force is the mindblowing sound of the skull-crashers of **DEAD CONGREGATION**, playing a traditionalist, satanic death metal, yet focusing on spirited melodies and sophisticated compositions to build an oppressive ambience, rather than simply on pure speed and ever-present extreme.

Domestic bands are represented by two members of MetalGate Records ranks. The black/death act **SECRET OF DARKNESS** released in 2011 their current album “(In)Humanity”, marked by numerous melodic lines in the lead guitar, whereas the contemplative experimentalists **ABSTRACT ESSENCE** are just about to release their fourth studio album “Love Enough”. This conceptual opus presents a mature and ingenious band boldly marching forward, so do not miss their performance!

The Hellenic phalanxes will invade the Prague Matrix club On Saturday, March 2, 2013. Entrance fee on site is 300 CZK, while in presale, which starts this November, only 250 CZK! The club doors will open at 18:30; the battle itself shall commence at 19:00. See you there!

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