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**20th OSCE ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM
“Promoting Security and Stability through Good Governance”**

SECOND PREPARATORY MEETING

**Promoting Good Governance and Combating Corruption
in Support of Socio-Economic Development**

Dublin, 23-24 April 2012

AGENDA

Sunday, 22 April

18:00 - 20:00 **Welcome Cocktail hosted by Mr. Goran Svilanović, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, at the Morrison Hotel, Lower Ormond Quay, Dublin 1**

Monday, 23 April

09.30 – 10.30 **Opening Session**

- **Mr. John Perry T.D.**, Minister of State, Department of Enterprise Jobs and Innovation, Ireland
- **Mr. Goran Svilanović**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
- **Mr. Michael Camuñez**, Assistant Secretary of Commerce, United States of America
- **Mr. Reinhard Priebe**, Director, Internal Security, DG HOME, European Commission

Statements by Delegations

10.30 – 11.00 **Coffee/Tea break**

11.00 – 13.00 Session I: Overview of international and regional anti-corruption instruments, initiatives and advancements

Selected topics:

- Key issues, new developments and priorities at regional level in fighting corruption (including the Partners for Co-operation)
- Key provisions of international frameworks and legal instruments (including UN Convention against Corruption, OECD Anti-Bribery Convention, etc.)
- Existing international and regional co-operation, coordination and monitoring mechanisms (Council of Europe/GRECO, OECD/ACN, UNODC/UNCAC Review, EU anti-corruption reporting mechanism for periodic assessment, etc.)

Moderator: **Mr. Robert Leventhal**, Director, Anti-Corruption and Governance Initiatives, Department of State, United States of America

Rapporteur: **Mr. Gilbert Schenkenbach**, Permanent Mission of Ireland to the OSCE

Speakers:

- **Mr. Wolfgang Rau**, Executive Secretary, Council of Europe Group of States against Corruption (CoE/GRECO)
- **Ms. Olga Savran**, Manager, Anti-Corruption Network for Eastern Europe and Central Asia (ACN), Anti-Corruption Division, Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
- **Mr. Dimosthenis Chryssikos**, Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, Corruption and Economic Crime Branch, Division for Treaty Affairs, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)
- **Mr. Abdesselam Abouddrar**, President, Moroccan Anti-Corruption Agency

Discussion

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch break

14.30 – 16.00 Session II: Fostering integrity and ethical conduct in the public sector

Selected topics:

- Key issues for promoting good public governance and a culture of integrity, transparency and accountability at central and local level
- Latest developments and initiatives in the OSCE region on introducing and enforcing standards for ethical behaviour and code of conduct by public officials and politically elected persons
- Exchange of experiences on the development and enforcement of asset and income declaration systems, disclosure requirements and verification mechanisms for public officials and persons entrusted with prominent public functions

Moderator: **Mr. John Devitt**, Chief Executive at Transparency International Ireland

Rapporteur: **Mr. Mato Meyer**, Economic Transparency Adviser, OSCE Mission to Serbia

Speakers:

- **Ms. Anneli Sihver**, Advisor, Public Administration and Public Service Department, Ministry of Finance, Estonia
- **Ms. Marijana Obradović**, Assistant Director for Prevention, Anti-corruption Agency, Serbia
- **Mr. Thomas Vennen**, Head of the Democratization Department, OSCE/ODIHR
- **Ms. Yael Ahilea**, Legal Adviser, Department for Legal Advising and Legislation, Administrative Law Division, Ministry of Justice, Israel
- **Mr. Davor Dubravica**, Head of the Anti-Corruption Sector, Ministry of Justice, Croatia

Discussion

16.00 – 16.30 Coffee/Tea break

**16.30 – 18.00 Session III: Promoting sound management of public resources
and budget spending**

Selected topics:

- Transparency and accountability in public financial management, regulatory reforms and transparency initiatives in public procurement (with a focus on infrastructure projects) and management of natural resources
- Developing public-private sector partnership to counter bribery
- Advancements on strengthening whistleblower and witness protection
- Exchanges of national best practices from across the OSCE region

Moderator: **Ambassador Eoin O’Leary**, Chairman of the OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the OSCE

Rapporteur: **Mr. Jens Rasmussen**, Senior Project Officer, Good Governance Programme, Uzbekistan

Speakers:

- **Mr. Jan Jackholt**, Director, Procurement Department, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
- **Ms. Caroline Nicholas**, Senior Legal Officer, International Trade Law Division, United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)
- **Ms. Husniyya Mammadova**, Acting Deputy Head of Economic Co-operation and Development Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Azerbaijan
- **Mr. Martin Bridger**, Legal Consultant, Sambei Bridger & Polaine - Legal & Law Enforcement Specialists, United Kingdom

Discussion

**18.30 Reception hosted by the Irish 2012 OSCE Chairmanship (George’s Hall,
Dublin Castle)**

Tuesday, 24 April

09.30 – 11.00 Panel Debate - Session IV: The key role of civil society and business community towards developing comprehensive and effective anti-corruption approaches

Selected topics:

- Strengthening political will and the legal, regulatory and institutional frameworks to allow civil society organizations to contribute to the formulation, implementation and monitoring of anti-corruption strategies and action plans
- Involving civil society organizations, the media and the private sector
- Promotion of access to information on anti-corruption measures through e-portals, anti-corruption co-operation networks, participatory monitoring and evaluation processes, civil society information centres
- Identification of training and educational needs of civil society to strengthen their knowledge on anti-corruption issues

Moderator: Ms. Elaine Byrne, Journalist and politics lecturer, Ireland

Rapporteur: Ms. Katy Long, Permanent Mission of Ireland to the OSCE

Panellists:

- **Mr. Matt Poelmans**, Director, Citizen Vision eParticipation Institute, the Netherlands
- **Mr. Georg-Florian Grabenweger**, Policy Adviser, International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA)
- **Ms. Anne-Christine Wegener**, Programme Manager, Transparency International, United Kingdom
- **Ms. Violetta Yan**, Deputy Director, OSCE Academy, Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic
- **Ms. Roxana Cefan**, Group Compliance & Corruption Prevention, Raiffeisen Bank International AG, Austria
- **Ms. Londa Esadze**, Senior International Anti-Corruption Advisor, UNODC/UNDP Researcher, Transnational Crime and Corruption Centre (TraCCC), George Mason University Lecturer

Discussion

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee/Tea break

11.30 – 13.00 Session V: The role of good governance in stimulating sustainable economic, social and environmental development

Selected topics:

- Stimulating the economy through simplification of business-related regulations, inter-institutional co-ordination and the creation of transparent and friendly business environments
- Exchange of best practices on building integrity in customs and other border services for the benefit of trade and transport development

- Role of good governance in improving opportunities for women in the economic sphere
- Good governance activities in the field of environment

Moderator: **Ambassador Eustathios Lozos**, Chairman of the Economic and Environmental Committee, Permanent Representative of Greece to the OSCE

Rapporteur: **Mr. Roel Janssens**, Economic Adviser, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Speakers:

- **Ms. Karine Minasyan**, First Deputy Minister of Economy of the Republic of Armenia
- **Ms. Yelena Kudryavtseva**, Programme Specialist, UN Women Regional Office for Eastern Europe and Central Asia
- **Mr. Abdukholik Kholikov**, Head of the Department of Legal Support to Entrepreneurs, State Committee for Investments and State Property Management, Tajikistan
- **Mr. Jeremy Wates**, Secretary General, European Environmental Bureau (EEB), Brussels

Discussion

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch break

14.30 – 16.30 Session VI: Identifying and recovering stolen assets

Selected topics:

- Advancements and remaining challenges in developing the necessary legislation and institutions
- Introduction of effective standards of customer due diligence and co-operation between financial institutions and government agencies
- Stronger international information sharing and co-operation on asset recovery

Moderator: **Mr. Dimosthenis Chryssikos**, Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, Corruption and Economic Crime Branch, Division for Treaty Affairs, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)

Rapporteur: **Mr. Christian Larson**, Programme Officer, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Speakers:

- **Mr. Pedro Gomes Pereira**, Asset Recovery Specialist, Basel Institute on Governance, Switzerland
- **Mr. Oliver Stolpe**, Senior Advisor, Stolen Asset Recovery Initiative of the World Bank and UNODC
- **Mr. James Mitra**, Senior Manager, Financial Intelligence Unit, Serious Organised Crime Agency (SOCA), United Kingdom
- **Detective Chief Superintendent Eugene Corcoran**, Criminal Assets Bureau, Ireland

Discussion

16.30 – 17.00

Coffee/Tea break

17.00 – 18.00

Concluding Session: The OSCE's Role in Follow-up to the Forum

Moderator: **Ambassador Frank Cogan**, Head of OSCE Chairmanship Taskforce, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Ireland

Rapporteur: **Ms. Alma Mirvić**, National Planning and Co-Ordination Officer, Head Of Mission Office, Bosnia and Herzegovina

- **Mr. Alan Shatter T.D.**, Minister for Justice, Equality and Defence, Ireland
- **Mr. Goran Svilanović**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
- Concluding Debate and Closing Statements