

Chairmanship: Spain

**PART II OF THE FIFTEENTH MEETING OF THE
ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM**

**Key challenges to ensure environmental security and sustainable
development in the OSCE area: Land degradation,
soil contamination and water management**

Opening Session (open to the press)

1. Date: Monday, 21 May 2007

Opened: 2.40 p.m.
Closed: 3.20 p.m.

2. Chairperson: H.E. Miguel Ángel Moratinos Cuyaubé, Chairman-in-Office,
Minister for Foreign Affairs and Co-operation of Spain

3. Subjects discussed — Statements:

Agenda item 1: *Welcoming remarks*

(a) H.E. Karel Schwarzenberg, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the
Czech Republic

(b) Mr. M. Perrin de Brichambaut, Secretary General of the OSCE

(c) Mr. B. Snoy, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
(EF.GAL/12/07)

(d) H.E. Miguel Ángel Moratinos Cuyaubé, Chairman-in-Office, Minister for
Foreign Affairs and Co-operation of Spain (EF.DEL/49/07)

4. Next meeting:

Monday, 21 May 2007, at 3.20 p.m., in the plenary hall

Introductory Plenary Session (keynote addresses open to the press)

1. Date: Monday, 21 May 2007

Opened: 3.20 p.m.

Closed: 5 p.m.

2. Chairperson: H.E. Miguel Ángel Moratinos Cuyaubé, Chairman-in-Office,
Minister for Foreign Affairs and Co-operation of Spain (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed — Statements:

Agenda item 2: *Introduction*

(a) *Keynote addresses*

— Ms. C. Narbona Ruiz, Minister of the Environment of Spain

— Mr. J. Podobnik, Minister of the Environment and Spatial Planning of Slovenia (EF.DEL/30/07)

— Mr. M. Hamidov, Minister of Land Reclamation and Water Resources of Tajikistan (EF.DEL/29/07) (EF.DEL/29/07/Add.1)

— Mr. K. Barlund, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) (EF.IO/19/07)

(b) *Discussion*

Germany-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, in alignment) (EF.DEL/38/07), Georgia (also on behalf of Azerbaijan, Moldova and Ukraine), Belarus (EF.DEL/44/07), Russian Federation, Armenia, Turkey (EF.DEL/35/07), Moderator

4. Next meeting:

Tuesday, 22 May 2007, at 9 a.m., in the plenary hall

Review Session

1. Date: Tuesday, 22 May 2007

Opened: 9 a.m.
Closed: 10.15 a.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. C. Sánchez de Boado y de la Válgoma (Spain) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed — Statements:

Agenda item 3: *Review of the implementation of OSCE commitments*
 - (a) *Keynote addresses*

— Mr. K. Barlund, UNECE (EF.IO/21/07)

 - (b) *Discussion*

Moderator, Belarus (EF.DEL/43/07), Turkey, France, Azerbaijan,
Mr. K. Barlund (keynote speaker), Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and
Environmental Activities

4. Next meeting:

Tuesday, 22 May 2007, at 10.45 a.m., in the plenary hall

Plenary Session I

1. Date: Tuesday, 22 May 2007

Opened: 10.55 a.m.

Closed: 12.40 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. J. Alejandro (Spain) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed — Statements:

Agenda item 4: *Environmental security and sustainable development in the OSCE area*

(a) *Keynote addresses*

— Ms. J. McGlade, European Environment Agency (EEA) (EF.IO/23/07)

— Mr. J. Mundy, Office of the Special Representative for Climate Change, Foreign and Commonwealth Office of the United Kingdom

— Mr. T. Spencer, Institute for Environmental Security (IES)

— Mr. C. Clini, Ministry of the Environment and Protection of Land and Sea of Italy

(b) *Discussion*

Moderator, Germany, Russian Federation, Czech Republic, Canada, United States of America, Turkey, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, Ms. J. McGlade (keynote speaker), United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD), Spain

4. Next meeting:

Tuesday, 22 May 2007, at 2.30 p.m., in the plenary hall

Plenary Session II

1. Date: Tuesday, 22 May 2007

Opened: 2.35 p.m.

Closed: 3.35 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. M. Antolin Martinez (Spain) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed — Statements:

Agenda item 5: *Water — transboundary co-operation*

(a) *Keynote addresses*

— Mr. J.-P. Rivaud, Ministry of Ecology and Sustainable Development of France

— Mr. V. Dukhovny, Scientific Information Center of the Central Asian Interstate Coordination Water Commission (SIC ICWC) (EF.IO/16/07) (EF.IO/16/07/Add.1)

— Mr. J. Rocha Afonso, Portuguese Water Institute

(b) *Discussion*

Moderator, Hungary, Russian Federation (EF.DEL/53/07), Society for Sustainable Development of Azerbaijan, Morocco (Partner for Co-operation), Southeast European Cooperative Initiative (SECI), Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, Mr. J.-P. Rivaud (keynote speaker)

4. Next meeting:

Tuesday, 22 May 2007, at 3.40 p.m., in the plenary hall

Plenary Session III

1. Date: Tuesday, 22 May 2007

Opened: 3.40 p.m.
Closed: 4.30 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. A. Zekoli (the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)
(Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed — Statements:

Agenda item 6: *Good governance in managing natural resources*

(a) *Keynote addresses*

— Mr. J. Heino, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
(FAO) (EF.IO/14/07) (EF.IO/14/07/Add.1)

— Mr. J. Gerber, World Business Council for Sustainable Development
(WBCSD) (EF.NGO/3/07)

(b) *Discussion*

Moderator, Belarus (EF.DEL/48/07), Mongolia (Partner for Co-operation)

4. Next meeting:

Tuesday, 22 May 2007, at 5 p.m., in the plenary hall

Plenary Session IV

1. Date: Tuesday, 22 May 2007

Opened: 5 p.m.

Closed: 6.10 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. A. Turunen (Finland) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed — Statements:

Agenda item 7: *Challenges to the management of water resources and to countering desertification in the Mediterranean region*

(a) *Keynote addresses*

— Mr. J. L. Herranz Saez, Ministry of the Environment of Spain
(EF.DEL/47/07)

— Mr. S. Tal, Tal Content — Consulting and Enterprise Ltd.
(EF.DEL/45/07)

— Ms. R. Abdel Khaleq, Ministry of Water and Irrigation of Jordan
(EF.DEL/23/07)

— Mr. A. Touzi, Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research of
Algeria (EF.DEL/31/07) (EF.DEL/31/07/Add.1)

(b) *Discussion*

Morocco (Partner for Co-operation) (EF.DEL/46/07), Israel (Partner for
Co-operation), Malta, Spain, Moderator

4. Next meeting:

Wednesday, 23 May 2007, at 9 a.m., in the plenary hall

Plenary Session V

1. Date: Wednesday, 23 May 2007

Opened: 9.10 a.m.
Closed: 10.40 a.m.

2. Chairperson: Ms. D. Yüksel-Beten (NATO) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed — Statements:

Agenda item 8: *Land degradation and soil contamination*

(a) *Keynote addresses*

— Mr. G. de Kalbermatten, United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) (EF.IO/15/07)

— Mr. R. Raschman, DEKONTA, Czech Republic (EF.DEL/24/07) (EF.DEL/24/07/Add.1)

(b) *Discussion*

Republic of Korea (Partner for Co-operation) (EF.DEL/55/07), Czech Republic, Moldova, Scientific Information Center of the Central Asian Interstate Coordination Water Commission (SIC ICWC), Armenia (EF.DEL/51/07), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Germany, Mr. G. de Kalbermatten (keynote speaker), Moderator, Spain

4. Next meeting:

Wednesday, 23 May 2007, at 11 a.m., in the plenary hall

Closing Debate

1. Date: Wednesday, 23 May 2007

Opened: 11.15 a.m.
Closed: 12.15 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. B. Snoy (Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed — Statements:

Agenda item 9: *The role of the OSCE in the follow-up to the Fifteenth Economic and Environmental Forum*

(a) *Discussion*

Israel (Partner for Co-operation), Russian Federation, Kazakhstan, Egypt (Partner for Co-operation), Germany-European Union (European Commission), Germany-European Union (with the candidate countries Croatia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate countries Albania, Montenegro and Serbia; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Moldova and Ukraine, in alignment) (EF.DEL/54/07), Armenia, Tajikistan, United States of America, Azerbaijan, Society for Sustainable Development of Azerbaijan, Finland, Moderator

(b) *Conclusions*

Mr. J. A. López-Jorrín, Head of the OSCE Task Force of the 2007 Spanish Chairmanship, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Co-operation of Spain

4. Next meeting:

Wednesday, 23 May 2007, at 12.15 p.m., in the plenary hall

Closing Session (open to the press)

1. Date: Wednesday, 23 May 2007

Opened: 12.15 p.m.
Closed: 12.45 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Mr. J. A. López-Jorrín, Head of the OSCE Task Force of the 2007 Spanish Chairmanship, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Co-operation of Spain

3. Subjects discussed — Statements:

Agenda item 10: *Closing statements*

(a) Ms. C. Barrios y Almazor, Ambassador at Large for Climate Change, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Co-operation of Spain

(b) Mr. B. Snoy, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

4. Next meeting:

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Chair: Finland