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“Promoting security, stability and economic growth in the OSCE area by preventing and combating corruption through innovation, increased transparency and digitalization”

CONCLUDING MEETING

Prague, 10-11 September 2020

Venue: Czernin Palace, Loretánské nám: 5, 118 00 Prague
via Zoom as well as physical attendance at the venue

AGENDA

Wednesday, 9 September 2020

19:00 Welcoming reception hosted by the Albanian OSCE Chairmanship
(Restaurant Bellavista, Strahovské nádvoří 132/1, 118 00 Praha-Hradčany)

Thursday, 10 September 2020

09:30 – 11:00 Opening Session

Welcoming remarks:

- **H.E Mr. Tomáš Petříček**, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Czech Republic
- **H.E Mr. Gent Cakaj**, Acting Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs, Albania
- **Ambassador Tuula Yrjölä**, Officer in Charge/Secretary General and Director of OSCE Conflict Prevention Centre (CPC)

Keynote Speeches:

- **Ms. Marina Sereni**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy
- **Mr. Keith Krach**, Under Secretary for Economic Growth, Energy and the Environment, U.S Department of State, United States of America
- **Mr. Jean-Luc Lemahieu**, Director, Division for Policy Analysis and Public Affairs, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)

- **Prof. Paola Severino**, Special Representative of the Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Corruption

Statements by Delegations

Moderator: Ambassador Igli Hasani, Chairperson of OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Albania to the OSCE

11:00 – 11:30 **Coffee/Tea break**

11:30 – 13:00 **“Possible Ministerial Council Deliverables in the Economic and Environmental Dimension”**

Moderator and Introduction: Ambassador Igli Hasani, Chairperson of OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Albania to the OSCE

Discussion

13:00 – 14:30 **Lunch break hosted by the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities**

14:30 – 16:00 **Session I: Preventing and combating corruption through digital technologies**

Selected topics:

- Transparent and accountable procedures to promote corruption free societies facilitated by broadly accesible digital technologies
- Effective legal and institutional frameworks to enhance the use of digital tools in preventing and combating corruption in the public service delivery
- Data-driven monitoring and peer review practices in digital corruption control systems, open and transparent budget and public procurement
- Promoting transparency and accountability through asset declarations and open data
- The role of youth, civil society engagement and oversight in preventing and combating corruption

Speakers:

- **Ms. Delina Ibrahimaj**, Director General, General Directorate of Taxes, Albania
- **Ambassador Peter Burian**, European Union Special Representative for Central Asia
- **Mr. Gary Kalman**, Executive Director, Transparency International, U.S Office, United States of America

- **Ms. Irena Drmaž**, Director General, Directorate for Budget, Ministry of Finance, Slovenia
- **Mr. Olzhas Bektenov**, First Deputy Chairman, Anti-Corruption Agency, Kazakhstan

Discussion

Moderator: Ambassador Abat Fayzullaev, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Uzbekistan to the OSCE

16:00 - 16:30 **Coffee/Tea break**

16:30 – 18:00 **Session II: Enhancing transparency, promoting good governance and the rule of law for preventing and combating corruption**

Selected topics:

- Innovative approaches to implementing AML/CFT measures to prevent corruption
- Developing new transparent systems and mechanisms for preventing and combating corruption
- Effective good governance and the rule of law in preventing and combatting corruption to promote economic efficiency and secure trust in governments
- The role of private sector and academia in combating corruption and creating a transparent and fair investment climate for businesses and investors

Speakers:

- **Mr. Michael Roth**, Minister of State for Europe, Federal Foreign Office, Germany
- **Mr. Alfredo Durante Mangoni**, Coordinator for Anti-Corruption and Co-Chair of the G20 Anti-Corruption Working Group, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy
- **Prof. Heather Marquette**, Professor of Development Politics, International Development Department, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom
- **Mr. Abdul Aliyev**, Head, International Relations Department, State Agency for Public Service and Social Innovations under the President of Azerbaijan (ASAN), Azerbaijan
- **Mr. Michal Kotlárík**, Director General for International Law, Ministry of Justice, Slovakia
- **Mr. Akmal Burkhanov**, Director, Anti-Corruption Agency, Uzbekistan

Discussion

Moderator: Ambassador Neil Bush, Head of Delegation, United Kingdom Delegation to the OSCE in Vienna

18:30 Reception hosted by the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (Gardens of the Czernin Palace)

Friday, 11 September 2020

09:30 – 11:00 Session III: Preventing and combating corruption in the field of natural resources and environmental protection

Selected topics:

- Legislative frameworks, institutional arrangements and the role of national authorities to ensure the sustainable and corruption-free use of natural resources
- Sustainable management of natural resources and fighting corruption in the area of environmental protection, as a way to enhance welfare, improve public health, preserve biodiversity and promote green economy in the OSCE area
- Effective international mechanisms to promote good environmental governance and address trafficking of wildlife and other natural resources
- The role of innovative tools and technologies in addressing the challenges to sustainable use of natural resources
- Direct and indirect impact of misuse of natural resources, including implications for disaster preparedness, sustainable development and combating corruption

Speakers:

- **Ms. Lilia Shushanyan**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Territorial Administration and Infrastructure, Armenia
- **Ambassador Hinrich Thölken**, Director for Climate, Energy Policy and Digital Transformation, Federal Foreign Office, Germany
- **Mr. Stéphane Paillet**, Head, Environment and Climate Department, Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs, France
- **Ms. Carmen Marques Ruiz**, Policy Coordinator Environment & Water, European Union External Action Service (EEAS)
- **Mr. Markus Pikart**, Project Coordinator for Trade Facilitation, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)

Discussion

Moderator: Ambassador Gesa Bräutigam, Head of Mission, Permanent Mission of Germany to the OSCE

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee/Tea break

11:30 - 12:30 Concluding Session

- Wrap-up Discussion
- Presentation of the incoming 2021 OSCE Swedish Chairmanship's priorities in the Economic and Environmental Dimension

Closing Statements by Delegations

Concluding Remarks:

- **Ambassador Vuk Žugić**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
- **Ambassador Ulrika Funered**, Permanent Representative, Permanent Delegation of Sweden to the OSCE, Incoming 2021 OSCE Swedish Chairmanship
- **Ms. Inid Milo**, Head, Albanian OSCE Chairmanship Task Force

Moderator: Ms. Inid Milo, Head, Albanian OSCE Chairmanship Task Force