CONCLUDING MEETING OF THE
28th ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM

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

Opening plenary session (open to the press)

1. Date: Thursday, 10 September 2020
   Opened: 9.30 a.m.
   Suspended: 11 a.m.
   Resumed: 11.30 a.m.
   Closed: 12.35 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador I. Hasani (Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council) (Albania) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

   Agenda item 1: Opening session

   (a) Welcoming remarks

       – H.E. Mr. T. Petříček, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Czech Republic (EEF.DEL/60/20)

       – H.E. Mr. G. Cakaj, Acting Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs, Albania (EEF.DEL/61/20 OSCE+)

       – Ms. T. Yrjölä, Officer-in-Charge/Secretary General (EEF.GAL/11/20)
(b) **Keynote addresses**

- H.E. Ms. M. Sereni, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy (EEF.DEL/47/20 OSCE+)

- H.E. Mr. K. Krach, Under Secretary for Economic Growth, Energy, and the Environment, United States of America (EEF.DEL/75/20)

- Mr. J.-L. Lemahieu, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)

- Ms. P. Severino, Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Corruption (EEF.DEL/81/20)

(c) **Discussion:** Holy See (EEF.DEL/48/20), Serbia, Azerbaijan (EEF.DEL/54/20 OSCE+), Algeria (Partner for Co-operation), Kazakhstan, Bosnia and Herzegovina (EEF.DEL/52/20), Germany-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as Andorra, Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (EEF.DEL/49/20), Norway, United States of America (EEF.DEL/50/20), Georgia (EEF.DEL/68/20 OSCE+), Armenia (EEF.DEL/58/20), United Kingdom (EEF.DEL/70/20 OSCE+), Latvia (EEF.DEL/53/20 OSCE+), Kyrgyzstan, Bosnia and Herzegovina (also on behalf of Albania, Andorra, Austria, Bulgaria, Canada, the Czech Republic, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Iceland (EEF.DEL/86/20 OSCE+), Kazakhstan (EEF.DEL/74/20 OSCE+), Latvia, Lithuania, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Slovakia, Spain, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, the United States of America and Uzbekistan) (EEF.DEL/78/20 OSCE+), Russian Federation (EEF.DEL/55/20), Montenegro (EEF.DEL/51/20 OSCE+), Belarus (EEF.DEL/57/20 OSCE+), Iceland, Turkey, Spain

4. **Next meeting:**

Thursday, 10 September 2020, at 12.35 p.m., in the plenary hall and via video teleconference
Possible Ministerial Council deliverables in the economic and environmental dimension

1. **Date:** Thursday, 10 September 2020
   
   Opened: 12.35 p.m.
   Suspended: 1.10 p.m.
   Resumed: 2.40 p.m.
   Closed: 2.50 p.m.

2. **Chairperson:** Ambassador I. Hasani (Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council) (Albania) (Moderator)

3. **Subjects discussed – Statements:**
   
   Agenda item 2: *Possible Ministerial Council deliverables in the economic and environmental dimension*
   
   (a) **Introduction:** Moderator
   
   (b) **Discussion:** Switzerland (EEF.DEL/77/20 OSCE+), Germany-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association country Norway, member of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia, Moldova, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (EEF.DEL/63/20/Rev.1), Armenia (EEF.DEL/79/20), United Kingdom, Azerbaijan (EEF.DEL/56/20 OSCE+), Kazakhstan, Turkey, Russian Federation, Ukraine, United States of America

4. **Next meeting:**
   
   Thursday, 10 September 2020, at 2.50 p.m., in the plenary hall and via video teleconference
Plenary session I

1. **Date:** Thursday, 10 September 2020

   Opened: 2.50 p.m.
   Closed: 4.10 p.m.

2. **Chairperson:** Ambassador A. Fayzullaev (Chairperson of the OSCE Economic and Environmental Committee) (Uzbekistan) (Moderator)

3. **Subjects discussed – Statements:**

   **Agenda item 3:** Preventing and combating corruption through digital technologies

   (a) **Speakers**
   
   – Ms. D. Ibrahimaj, General Directorate of Taxes, Albania
   – Ambassador P. Burian, European Union Special Representative for Central Asia (EEF.IO/9/20)
   – Mr. G. Kalman, Transparency International, United States of America
   – Ms. I. Drmaž, Ministry of Finance, Slovenia (EEF.DEL/59/20)
   – Mr. O. Bektenov, Anti-Corruption Agency, Kazakhstan (EEF.DEL/62/20)

   (b) **Discussion:** Germany-European Union, OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina (EEF.FR/1/20), Ms. I. Drmaž

4. **Next meeting:**

   Thursday, 10 September 2020, at 4.40 p.m., in the plenary hall and via video teleconference
Plenary session II

1. **Date:** Thursday, 10 September 2020
   
   Opened: 4.40 p.m.  
   Closed: 6.20 p.m.

2. **Chairperson:** Ambassador N. Bush (United Kingdom) (Moderator)

3. **Subjects discussed – Statements:**
   
   **Agenda item 4:** *Enhancing transparency, promoting good governance and the rule of law for preventing and combating corruption*
   
   (a) **Speakers**
   
   – H.E. Mr. M. Roth, Minister of State for Europe, Federal Foreign Office, Germany (EEF.DEL/67/20)
   
   – Mr. A. Durante Mangoni, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy (EEF.DEL/72/20 OSCE+)
   
   – Ms. H. Marquette, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom (EEF.NGO/6/20)
   
   – Mr. A. Aliyev, State Agency for Public Service and Social Innovations under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan (ASAN) (EEF.DEL/64/20)
   
   – Mr. M. Kotlárik, Ministry of Justice, Slovakia (EEF.DEL/80/20 OSCE+)
   
   – Mr. A. Burkhanov, Anti-Corruption Agency, Uzbekistan (EEF.DEL/82/20)

   (b) **Discussion:** Austria, Germany-European Union, Moderator, Ms. H. Marquette, Mr. A. Durante Mangoni, Belarus, Eurasian Economic Commission, Malta (EEF.DEL/71/20)

4. **Next meeting:**

   Friday, 11 September 2020, at 9.30 a.m., in the plenary hall and via video teleconference
Plenary session III

1. Date: Friday, 11 September 2020
   
   Opened: 9.30 a.m.
   Closed: 11.15 a.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador G. Bräutigam (Germany) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:
   
   Agenda item 5: Preventing and combating corruption in the field of natural resources and environmental protection

   (a) Speakers
      
      – H.E. Ms. L. Shushanyan, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Territorial Administration and Infrastructure, Armenia (EEF.DEL/66/20)
      
      – Ambassador H. Thölken, Federal Foreign Office, Germany (EEF.DEL/69/20)
      
      – Mr. S. Pailler, Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs, France (EEF.DEL/83/20)
      
      – Ms. C. Marques Ruiz, European External Action Office (EEAS) (EEF.IO/11/20)
      
      – Mr. M. Pikart, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) (EEF.IO/10/20)

   (b) Discussion: Switzerland (EEF.DEL/76/20 OSCE+), Germany-European Union, United States of America, France, Finland, Mr. S. Pailler, Russian Federation, Ukraine (EEF.DEL/85/20 OSCE+)

4. Next meeting:
   
   Friday, 11 September 2020, at 11.45 a.m., in the plenary hall and via video teleconference
Concluding plenary session

1. Date: Friday, 11 September 2020
   
   Opened: 11.45 a.m.
   Closed: 12.15 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ms. I. Milo (OSCE Albanian Chairmanship Task Force) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:
   
   Agenda item 6: "Presentation of the incoming 2021 OSCE Swedish Chairmanship’s priorities in the economic and environmental dimension"
   
   (a) Discussion: Germany-European Union, United States of America, (EEF.DEL/73/20), United Kingdom
   
   (b) Speakers

   – Mr. V. Žugić, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
   
   – Ambassador U. Funered, incoming 2021 OSCE Swedish Chairmanship
   
   – Ms. I. Milo, Head, OSCE Albanian Chairmanship Task Force
   
   – Mr. Johannes Oljelund, Director-General for International Development Cooperation, Sweden

4. Next meeting:
   
   2021
   Chairmanship: Sweden