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27TH OSCE ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM

"Promoting economic progress and security in the OSCE area through energy co-operation, new technologies, good governance and connectivity in the digital era"

CONCLUDING MEETING

Prague, 11-13 September 2019 Venue: Czernin Palace, Loretánské nám: 5, 118 00 Prague

LOGISTICAL MODALITIES

VENUE

CZERNIN PALACE, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Loretánské nám. 5, 118 00 Prague 1

PARTICIPANTS' PROFILE

High-level and senior officials from participating States, responsible for shaping international economic and environmental policy in the OSCE area, representatives of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly and the Partners for Co-operation as well as OSCE Field Operations are invited to participate.

Representatives of international organizations, expert academics and business representatives, non-governmental organizations with relevant experience in the area under discussion will participate in the meeting, according to the Decision of the OSCE Permanent Council (PC.DEC/1303/18).

The OSCE is committed to gender equality. To this end, the OSCE encourages participating States to also identify female experts to participate in the Economic and Environmental Forum.

No fee for participation is requested.

WORKING MODUS OF THE SESSIONS

The Forum should stimulate a free-flowing discussion out of which recommendations to the OSCE and its participating States should emerge.

The Forum builds up on the recommendations that resulted from the 1st Preparatory Meeting (Vienna, 28 - 29 January 2019, <u>http://www.osce.org/event/27th_eef_prep1</u>) and the 2nd Preparatory Meeting (Bratislava, 27 - 28 May 2019, <u>http://www.osce.org/event/27th_eef_prep2</u>).

The PLENARY SESSIONS will have presentations of expert speakers followed by discussions. A moderator will facilitate the debates and a rapporteur will summarize the key issues discussed.

The Consolidated Summary of the Forum Meeting will be published on the OSCE Forum website: <u>http://www.osce.org/event/27th_eef_2019</u> after the event.

DEADLINES

We kindly draw the participants' attention to the following deadlines:

- \Rightarrow ONLINE REGISTRATION to the Forum: as early as possible, <u>at the latest by Friday, 5 September</u> <u>2019</u>. *The online registration will be open as of 1 July until 13 September 2019*.
- ⇒ VISA APPLICATION for the Czech Republic: NOT LATER THAN 15 DAYS prior to the date of the travel to Prague

REGISTRATION & ACCREDITATION

DEADLINE: THURSDAY, 5 SEPTEMBER 2019

REGISTRATIONS: *only registered participants will be granted access to the venue.*

Kindly contact the Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities in case you wish to participate in the afore mentioned Forum Meeting. Email: andrea.gredler@osce.org.

In addition to the registration forms, <u>Delegations</u> should notify the ranking and the title of their members by sending an e-mail to <u>elke.lidarik@osce.org</u>.

ACCREDITATION will take place at the main entrance to the Czernin Palace (Czech MFA),

- Wednesday, 11 September 2019, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Thursday, 12 September 2019, starting at 8:30 a.m.
- Friday, 13 September 2019, starting at 8:30 a.m.

The presentation of a valid ID is required for accreditation. A badge will be required to access the Conference Hall. <u>Press representatives</u> can, as deemed appropriate, be admitted to the Conference Hall during *the Opening Session* of the OSCE Economic and Environmental Forum.

DOCUMENT DISTRIBUTION

Participants are welcome to submit written contributions reflecting their views on the issues and topics proposed for discussions.

Request for the distribution or copying of documents *during* **the Forum Meeting** should be addressed to the Document Distribution Desk. Documents should be provided to this Desk in an electronic format (email: documents@osce.org).

All documents, including the Consolidated Summary of the Meeting, will be published on the OSCE Forum Meeting website: <u>http://www.osce.org/event/27th_eef_2019</u>.

In view of meeting sustainability standards, the Organizers aim at a *paperless event* by digitalizing the document distribution. Hard copies of the documents will only be made available at request through the **Document Distribution Desk.**

TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR SPEAKERS

Detailed guidelines for speakers are provided by individual correspondence.

Speakers are kindly requested to send a **short bio** (with photo) and an **electronic copy of their presentation in advance** to the Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities <u>no later than</u> **Friday**, **23 August 2019** ((Mr. Gafgaz Adigozalov E-mail: <u>gafgaz.adigozalov@osce.org</u>, tel. + 43 1 514 36 6688 or to Ms. Brigitte Krech, E-mail: <u>brigitte.krech@osce.org</u>, tel. + 43 1 514 36 6619) and to bring <u>an electronic copy of their presentation</u> (on a USB stick) *as back-up* to the Meeting.

Requests for technical support should be addressed **well in advance** to the above-named contacts.

The Plenary Hall at the venue is equipped with technical facilities for multi-format presentations, including power point, a large screen, projector, and laptop.

It is highly recommended to the speakers to contact the technician in the Plenary Hall well ahead of their session, in order to cross-check the upload of their presentations, as well as the audio-visual equipment in place.

INTERPRETATION

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided into the six OSCE languages (English, French, German, Italian, Russian and Spanish).

VISA

Participants, if stipulated under the Czech law, are asked to make their own arrangements for securing **a** Schengen (short-term) visa for entry into the Czech Republic. It is recommended to cross-check the <u>most recent</u> visa regulations at the Czech Embassy/Consulate in your country or on the MFA website.

Contacts of Czech Missions abroad, as well as visa forms, can be found on the official **Czech Foreign Ministry website** (English): <u>http://www.mzv.cz/jnp/en/information_for_aliens/index.html</u> Section: Entry & Residence

The OSCE Documentation Centre in Prague (Ms. Iveta Dzurikova, email: <u>iveta.dzurikova@osce.org</u>tel: +420 224 186 450) stands ready to support participants.

HOTELS IN PRAGUE

Participants are kindly requested to make their own travel and accommodation arrangements, which will not be paid for by the OSCE.

A list of hotels in vicinity of the Czernin Palace (Czech MFA and Forum Venue) can be found in Annex 1.

Please consult the following websites for other hotels: <u>http://www.hotel.cz/praha/accommodation/</u> <u>http://www.a-prague.com/</u> http://www.book-travel-prague.com/?locale=en_GB

 \Rightarrow Due to the time period of the conference which is considered high tourist season in Prague, early booking is highly advisable.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Participants are kindly invited to the Social Events organized on the occasion of the Forum Meeting.

Wednesday, 11 September 2019, 19:00: Reception hosted by the Slovak 2019 OSCE Chairmanship.

Thursday, 12 September 2019, 18:30: Reception hosted by the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities.

COFFEE/TEA BREAKS & LUNCH

Coffee/tea breaks will be provided to the participants during the Forum Meeting.

Various restaurants are located in vicinity of the Czernin Palace.

CONFERENCE FACILITIES

MEETING AREAS (see floor map in Annex 2)On the 1st Floor:Plenary Hall: "Velký sál"Mirror Hall: "Zrcadlový"Side events or informal ad hoc meetings – as scheduled

Gallery Hall: "Galerie"	small informal ad-hoc meetings – in case scheduled		
Oriental Hall: "Orientální"	OSCE Chairmanship Office		
Golden Hall: "Zlatý":	Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and		
-	Environmental Activities – Meeting Assistance		
Blue Hall: "Modrý":	OSCE Documentation Centre in Prague, Language Services		
Musical Hall: "Hudební"	Delegates Working Area		

INTERNET WORKING AREA AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT

WiFi is provided in all conference areas.

A <u>working area with IT facilities & Internet access</u> is available in "Musical Hall: "Hudební" near the plenary hall. <u>Telephones</u> in the meeting area can be used free-of-charge for local telephone calls. In case of international calls, please contact the OSCE Documentation Centre in Prague.

A <u>Document Distribution Desk</u> next to the plenary hall will provide assistance to speakers and participants for document registration and distribution, copying of documents and handle requests for technical support.

<u>Technical equipment for presentation</u> of audio-video materials will be provided upon advance request (PowerPoint). Any request on a short notice can be addressed to the Document Distribution Desk or the technician in the hall.

GENERAL INFORMATION

A map of Prague can be found on the Internet: <u>www.mapsofprague.com</u>

Currency: The national currency is Czech Crown. 1 EUR = 25.83 Czech Crown (rate of June 2019). Several exchange offices and cash machines are located nearby the Czernin Palace, as well as in the hotels.

Electric current: the standard voltage throughout the Czech Republic is 220V.

Time: CET Prague time differs from Greenwich time by + 1 hour.

Getting to Prague city by public transfers:

FROM THE AIRPORT:

a) <u>By public bus</u>:

119: Prague Airport - Nádraží Veleslavín (metro line A) - 15 min

100: Prague Airport - Zličín (metro line B) - 18 min

191: Prague Airport – Petřiny (metro line A) – Anděl (metro line B) – 50 min

910 Night Bus Line: Airport Zličín - I.P.Pavlova (metro line C) – Kačerov – Modřany – **80 min** (Night service only 0:00 – 4:00 am)

Bus stop: Terminal 1; Terminal 2 – in front of the Arrival hall

Public Transport Ticket Sale

- Public Transport counters in Arrival Halls of Terminals 1 & 2, Visitor Centre, Terminal 1 (from 7 am to 10 pm),
- Visitor Centre T2 Terminal 2 Arrival Hall (from 8 am to 10 pm),
- Non-stop automats placed at Area of baggage reclaim, Terminal 1 Arrival Hall and Terminal 2 Arrival Hall, directly on bus stops (cash required).

Detailed information on the transfers Prague Ruzyne Airport – Prague City can be found: <u>www.prg.aero/en/parking-transport/transport/public-transit</u>

Information on actual public transportation fares is available here: <u>http://www.dpp.cz/en/fares-in-prague/</u>

b) <u>By taxi</u>:

Contact counters of taxi operators are located at the arriving hall of Terminal 1 and 2. Departure points are displayed in front of arriving halls. Taxi services at guaranteed tariffs prices, depending on standard distances: FIX TAXI +420 722 555 525 www.airportcars.cz

TAXI PRAHA +420 220 414 414 objednavka@taxi14007.cz www.taxi14007.cz

FROM THE RAILWAY STATION:

Getting from the Railway Station in Prague to your hotel:

a) By metro (metro line C)

b) By taxi: you may contact the taxi companies: PROFI TAXI +420 261 314 151 objednavky@profitaxi.cz

or AAA TAXI +420 222 333 222 hotline@aaataxi.cz

Please note that the Organizers will not provide any transfers from the airport or the railways station to the hotels or the conference venue.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Liability - insurance:

To the full extent permitted under applicable law, neither the OSCE or any of its officials, employees or other representatives shall be liable for loss or damage, however caused, arising out of or in connection with the participation in this conference. This is a comprehensive limitation of liability that applies to damages of any kind, including, without limitation, personal injury, loss of, or damage to, property and claims of third parties. Please be aware that photographs and video/audio-recording of this event may be taken and used by the OSCE for publication purposes.

CONTACTS

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For visa issues and registration/accreditation:

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Updated information regarding the agenda, the social events and other logistical issues for the Concluding Meeting of the 27th OSCE Economic and Environmental Forum will be circulated at a later stage and published on the <u>OSCE Forum website</u>: http://www.osce.org/event/27th_eef_2019.

Annex 1

HOTELS IN VICINITY OF CZERNIN PALACE

HOTEL	ADDRESS	WEBSITE	E-mail/tel
***** STARS HOTELS Aria Hotel	Tržistě 9 Praha 1	www.ariahotel.net	<u>stay@aria.cz</u> +420 225 334 111
Golden Well Hotel	U Zlaté Studně 166/4 Praha 1	www.goldenwell.cz	hotel@goldenwell.cz +420 257 011 213
**** STARS HOTELS Lindner Hotel Prague Castle	Strahovská 128 Praha 1 <u>reservations.prague@lindr</u>		
			+420 226 080 100
Hotel Questenberk	Úvoz 15/155 Praha 1	www.questenberk.cz	hotel@questenberk.cz +420 220 407 600
Hotel Monastery	Strahovské nádvoří 13 Praha 1	www.hotelmonastery.cz	<u>monastery@avehotels.cz</u> +420 – 233 090 200
Dům u červeného lva	Nerudova 41 Praha 1	www.hotelredlion.cz	redlion@avehotels.cz +420 257 533 832
Biskupský dům	Dražického nám. 6, Praha 1	www.hotelbishopshouse.cz	<u>bh@avehotels.cz</u> +420 257532 320
U páva	U lužického semináře 32 Praha 1	www.hotel-upava.cz	rezervace@hotel-upava.cz +420 257 533 573
U krále Karla	Nerudova – Úvoz 4 Praha 1	http://www.ukralekarla.cz	praguereservation@axxos.co +420 257 531 211
Hotel Pyramida	Bělohorská 24 Praha 6	www.hotelpyramida.cz	rezervace@hotelpyramida.cz +420 233 102 281
Hotel Constans	Břetislavova 309 Praha 1	www.hotelconstans.cz	reception@hotelconstans.cz +420 234 091 818
Hotel U raka	Černínská 10 Praha 1	www.hoteluraka.cz	<u>info@hoteluraka.cz</u> +420 220 511 100
Domus Henrici	Loretánská 11 Praha 1	www.hidden-places.com	<u>henrici@hidden-places.com</u> +420 220 511 369
Domus Balthasar	Mostecká 5 Praha 1	www.hidden-places.com	balthasar@hidden-places.com +420 257 199 499
Hotel U Tří Pštrosů	Dražického nám. 76/12 Praha 1	www.utripstrosu.cz	reservation@utripstrosu.cz +420 257 288 888
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Hotel Jelení dvůr	Jelení 197/7 Praha 1	www.hoteljelenidvur.cz	jelenidvur@eahotels.cz +420 233 028 333
Hotel Adalbert	Markétská 1 Praha 6	www.hoteladalbert.cz	recepce@hoteladalbert.cz +420 220 406 170
Hotel U kříže	Újezd 20 Praha 1	www.ukrize.cz	hotel@ukrize.com +420 257 312 523
Hotel Hormeda	Na Zástřelu 422/15 Praha 6	www.hormeda.cz	<u>hormeda@hormeda.cz</u> +420 220 513 604

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