Vienna, 8 September 2022

30th OSCE Economic and Environmental Forum

“Promoting security and stability in the OSCE area through sustainable economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic”

CONCLUDING MEETING

Prague, 08-09 September 2022
Venue: Czernin Palace, Loretánské nám. 5, 118 00 Prague

ANNOTATED AGENDA

Wednesday, 7 September 2022

19:00 Welcoming reception hosted by the 2022 Polish OSCE Chairmanship

Thursday, 8 September 2022

09:30 – 11:30 Opening Session

Welcoming remarks

- H.E. Prof. Zbigniew Rau, OSCE Chairman-in-Office, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Poland
- H.E. Mr. Jan Lipavský, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Czech Republic
- H.E. Helga Maria Schmid, OSCE Secretary General

Keynote speech

- Mr. Yaroslav Demchenkov, Deputy Minister of Energy, Ukraine

Moderator: Ambassador Adam Halaciński, Chairman of the OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Poland to the OSCE

Statements by delegations
11:30 – 12:00  Coffee/Tea break

12:00 – 13:30  Panel discussion: The role of the Economic and Environmental Forum in advancing dialogue and co-operation in the second dimension

Selected topics:

- Thirty years of Economic and Environmental Forum process – accomplishments and shortcomings
- Twenty-five years of OCEEA – how can the Office better support dialogue, co-operation and the implementation of the OSCE commitments in the second dimension?
- The role of the Economic and Environmental Dimension in achieving comprehensive security
- The future orientation of the Economic and Environmental Forum
- Emerging themes in the Economic and Environmental Dimension with security implications for the OSCE region

Moderator: Ambassador Igor Djundev, Permanent Representative of North Macedonia to the OSCE

Speakers:

- Ambassador Florian Raunig, Permanent Representative of Austria to the OSCE, Chair of the Economic and Environmental Committee
- Ambassador Christine Fages, Permanent Representative of France to the OSCE
- Mr. Pere Joan Pons, Vice-President, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly, Spain
- Dr. Volker Frobarth, Head of the OSCE Programme Office in Nur-Sultan
- Ambassador Igli Hasani, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Discussion

13:30 – 15:00  Lunch hosted by the 2022 Polish OSCE Chairmanship

13:45 – 14:45  Side Event “Security Implications of Climate Change in South-Eastern Europe: Contributions to the region’s climate resilience by the OSCE as well as by Czechia”, organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic and its Permanent Mission to the United Nations, OSCE and other International Organizations in Vienna in co-operation with the OSCE Group of Friends on the Environment
15:00 – 16:30  Session I: Sustainable economic recovery and green growth

Selected topics:

- Bilateral and multilateral cooperation, including with international organisations, for sustainable economic and environmental recovery
- The role of public and private partnerships in supporting green investments
- The benefits of open and integrated markets to foster environmentally sustainable trade and supply chain resilience
- Effective measures to promote good governance and anti-corruption
- Enhancing scientific and technological co-operation to encourage climate neutral pathways for growth and sustainable development

Moderator: Mr. Aleksander Siemaszko, Deputy Director, Department for Trade and International Cooperation, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology, Poland

Speakers:

- Ms. Fernanda Ferreira Dias, Director General, Ministry of Economy and Maritime Affairs, Portugal
- Ambassador Henrik Villadsen, Head of Mission, OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine
- Ms. Mariam Galstyan, Commissioner, Corruption Prevention Commission, Armenia
- Mr. Akbar Ergashev, Head of Transparency Department, Anti-Corruption Agency of Uzbekistan
- Ms. Helaina R. Matza, Director for Energy Transformation in the Bureau of Energy Resources at the Department of State, United States

Discussion

16:30 - 17:00  Coffee/Tea break

17:00 – 18:30  Session II: Innovation for sustainable economic recovery

Selected topics:

- Fostering digital innovations to support the sustainable management of natural resources and environmental protection and rehabilitation
- Promoting innovative and smart solutions for sustainable development and climate neutrality in urban and rural areas
- The role of technology in the development and operation of low-carbon transport networks
- The impacts of rapid technological changes on human capital development
- Digital solutions to enhance competitiveness, entrepreneurial- and work-related skills
Moderator: Ambassador Ketevan Tsikhelashvili, Permanent Representative of Georgia to the OSCE

Speakers:

- H.E. Ms. Milva Ekonomi, Minister of State for Service Standards, Albania
- Mr. Jaffer Machano, Global Programme Manager, Municipal Investment Finance, United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF)
- Dr. Haris Piplas, Co-Directing Urban Design, Planning and Development, Drees & Sommer, Switzerland
- Mr. Chris Richmond, CEO, Mygrants, Italy

Discussion

18:30  Reception hosted by the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Friday, 09 September 2022

08:45 – 09:45  Side Event  “The promotion of a positive business and investment climate in the post pandemic era: Launching of the OSCE Best Practices Guide”, hosted by the Office of Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

10:00 – 11:30  Session III:  Greening the economy and the role of the energy sector

Selected topics:

- Emerging challenges and opportunities for energy security and diversification
- Building and managing resilient energy networks
- Strategies for resource efficiency and climate neutrality throughout the product cycle
- Ensuring the supply of critical minerals and requisite infrastructure for the green energy transition
- Ways of reducing the environmental footprint by decarbonizing the economy, including transportation and heavy industries

Moderator: Mr. Sigurður Ingi Friðleifsson, Director of Energy Transition, Climate Issues, and Innovation, National Energy Authority of Iceland

Speakers:

- Ms. Iordanca-Rodica Iordanov, State Secretary of the Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Moldova
- **Ambassador Igor Jukič**, Coordinator for Energy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Slovenia
- **Mr. Özgür Sarhan**, Head of Energy Security of Supply, Markets and Statistics Department, Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources, Türkiye
- **Ms. Velina Tchakarova**, Head of Institute at the Austrian Institute for European and Security Policy (AIES)
- **Mr. Marc-Antoine Eyl-Mazzega**, Director of Ifri’s Center for Energy & Climate, France

**Discussion**

11:30 – 12:00  Coffee/Tea break

12:00 - 13:30  **Concluding Session**

- Wrap-up discussion
- Presentation of priorities in the Economic and Environmental Dimension of the incoming 2023 OSCE North Macedonia Chairmanship

**Closing statements by delegations**

**Concluding remarks**

- **Mr. Oleksandr Gryban**, Deputy Minister of Economy, Ukraine
- **Ambassador Artur Dmochowski**, Special Envoy of the OSCE Chairman-in-Office, Poland
- **Ambassador Igor Djundev**, Permanent Representative of North Macedonia to the OSCE

**Moderator:** **Ambassador Igli Hasani**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities