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To: All OSCE Delegations
Partners for Co-operation
Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation

Subject: **Fourteenth OSCE Economic Forum – Part 2,
Prague, 22 - 24 May 2006**

Attached herewith is a document consisting of the **Annotated Agenda** for the Fourteenth OSCE Economic Forum – Part 2: “Transportation in the OSCE area: Secure transportation networks and transport development to enhance regional economic co-operation and stability”, to be held in Prague from 22 to 24 May 2006, **including in Annex the programmes of the Side/Special Events.**



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The Fourteenth Meeting of the OSCE Economic Forum

“Transportation in the OSCE area: Secure transportation networks and transport development to enhance regional economic co-operation and stability”

Part 2 / Prague, 22 – 24 May 2006

Venue: Czernin Palace, Loretánské nám. 5, 118 00 Prague 1, Plenary Hall

TENTATIVE ANNOTATED AGENDA

Monday, 22 May 2006

14.30 – 15.15 **Opening Session** (open to the press)

- Welcoming remarks by **H.E. Mr. Cyril Svoboda**, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic
- Opening address by the Chairman-in-Office, **H.E. Karel De Gucht**, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belgium
- Introductory remarks by Ambassador **Marc Perrin de Brichambaut**, OSCE Secretary General and **Mr. Bernard Snoy**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

15.15 – 15.45 *Coffee break*

15.45 – 17.45 **Introductory Plenary Session**

Moderator: **Mr. Frank Geerkens**, Head of the OSCE Chairmanship Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Belgium/OSCE Chairmanship

Rapporteur: **Mr. Marc Baltes**, Senior Economic Adviser, OCEEA

Keynote addresses by:

- **Mr. Marek Belka**, Executive Secretary of the UNECE
- **Mr. Luc Aliadière**, General Director, International Union of Railways
- Discussion

18.00 – 19.00 ***Special Event - Launching of the OSCE Best-Practice Guide for a Positive Business and Investment Climate, a project stemming from the recommendations of the 12th Economic Forum – see ANNEX***

19.00 **Reception hosted by the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (Czernin Palace)**

Tuesday, 23 May 2006

09.00 – 11.00 **Review Session: Review of the implementation of OSCE transport related commitments with a particular focus on international legal instruments**

Moderator: **Mr. Frank Geerkens**, Head of the OSCE Chairmanship Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Belgium/OSCE Chairmanship

Rapporteur: **Ms. Karla Basselier**, OSCE Chairmanship Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Belgium/OSCE Chairmanship

Keynote addresses by:

- **Mr. Jose Capel Ferrer**, Director, Transport Division, UNECE - Presentation of the UNECE report, “Proposals on how to promote the wider acceptance and implementation of international legal instruments and support regional co-operation in the transport sector”, as well as the joint OSCE/UNECE “Pilot project on the International Convention on the Harmonisation of Frontier Controls of Goods of 21 October 1982”
- **Mr. Bernard Snoy**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities – Response to the UNECE report and proposals
- Discussion

09:30 - 11:00	<i>Side Event with the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation: The role of transport in regional integration and trans-Mediterranean co-operation - see <u>ANNEX</u></i>
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11.00 – 11.30 *Coffee break*

11.30 – 12.30 **Plenary Session I: Transport development to enhance regional economic co-operation and stability; the special case of landlocked countries:** the Almaty Programme of Action addressing the special needs of Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDC's) and the OSCE contribution within this framework

Moderator: **Ambassador Doulat Kuanyshhev**, Head of the Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan to the OSCE

Rapporteur: **Mr. Armands Pupols**, Mission Programme Officer, OSCE Secretariat/CPC

Keynote addresses by:

- **Mr. Sandagdorj Erdenebileg**, Senior Programme Officer, United Nations Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries (LDC's), LLDCs and Small Island Developing States (SIDS)
- **Ms. Kristal E. Alley**, Special Advisor, International Division, United States Chamber of Commerce
- Discussion

12.30 – 14.30 *Lunch break*

12.30 – 13.30 ***Special Event - Launching of the OSCE/IOM/ILO Handbook on Establishing Effective Labour Migration Policies in Countries of Origin and Destination, prepared further to the 13th Economic Forum – see ANNEX***

14.30 – 15.30 **Plenary Session II: The key role of governance: effective practices in border management and the fight against corruption:** the World Customs Organisation (WCO) framework of standards to secure and facilitate global trade; the implementation of the OSCE Border Security & Management Concept; customs and cross border co-operation; fighting corruption in the transport sector; strengthening public–private partnership and dialogue

Moderator: **Ambassador Peter Lizák**, Head of the Permanent delegation of Slovakia to the OSCE

Rapporteur: **Mr. Roel Janssens**, OCEEA

Keynote addresses by:

- **Mr. Michael Schmitz**, Director, Compliance and Facilitation, World Customs Organization
- **Mr. John Bray**, Director Analysis, Control Risks Deutschland GmbH
- Discussion

15.30 – 16.30 **Plenary Session III: Addressing risks to transport security in the various transport modes:** container security and the OSCE contribution; OSCE capacity building and training activities related to transport security in various transport modes; co-ordination among different actors active in the field of inland, maritime and aviation transport security

Moderator: **Mr. Richard Stein**, General Manager of International Programs, U.S. Transportation Security Administration

Rapporteur: **Ms. Irene Sudy**, Vienna University of Economic and Business Administration, Institute of Transport Economics and Logistics

Keynote addresses by:

- **Mr. Marios Meletiou**, Technical Specialist, Ports and Transport, International Labour Organization
- **Mr. Dimitrios Theologitis**, Head of Security Policy and Maritime Security Unit, DG TREN, European Commission
- Discussion

16.30 – 17.00 *Coffee break*

17.00 – 18.00 **Plenary Session IV: OSCE transport activities and their contribution to confidence building and the solution of unresolved conflicts:** needs assessments and other OSCE supported activities in conflict and post conflict situations, i.e. South Caucasus, Moldova/Transdniestrian region, etc.

Moderator: **Ambassador Bertrand de Crombrughe**, Head of the Permanent Delegation of Belgium/OSCE Chairmanship to the OSCE

Rapporteur: **Mr. Curtis Peters**, Delegation of Canada to the OSCE

Keynote addresses by:

- **Mr. Bernard Snoy**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
- **Mr. Bill Hanlon**, Economic and Environmental Officer, OSCE Office in Georgia
- Discussion

Wednesday, 24 May 2006

09.00 – 10.00 **Plenary Session V: The link between transport and the environment:**
the role of Aarhus Centres; transport of dangerous goods and energy
resources and their environmental impact

Moderator: **Ambassador Mette Kongshem**, Head of the Permanent Delegation of
Norway to the OSCE

Rapporteur: **Mr. Philip Reuchlin**, Economic and Environmental Adviser, OCEEA

Keynote addresses by:

- **Mr. Pierre Portas**, Deputy Executive Secretary, Secretariat of the Basel Convention
- **Ambassador Vladimir Pryakhin**, Head of the OSCE Office in Yerevan
- Discussion

10.00 – 10.30 *Coffee break*

10.30 – 12.30 **Plenary Session VI – Follow-up**

Moderator: **Senator Pierre Chevalier**, Chairperson of the Economic Forum, Special
Envoy of the Belgian Minister for Foreign Affairs for the OSCE Chairmanship

Rapporteur: **Mr. Alexey Stukalo**, Deputy Co-Ordinator of OSCE Economic and
Environmental Activities

- **Senator Pierre Chevalier**, Presentation of conclusions and main follow-up
recommendations
- Discussion

12.30 – 14.30 *Lunch break*

14.30 – 15.30 **Closing Session** (open to the press)

- Closing Statement by **Senator Pierre Chevalier**, Chairperson of the Economic Forum,
Special Envoy of the Belgian Minister for Foreign Affairs for the OSCE Chairmanship

AGENDAS of the Side/Special Events at the 14th Economic Forum

Monday, 22 May 2006, Mirror Hall

18.00 – 19.00 **Launching of the OSCE Best-Practice Guide for a Positive Business and Investment Climate. Introductory remarks** by Mr. Frank Geerkens, Head of the OSCE Chairmanship Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Belgium/OSCE Chairmanship, Mr. Bernard Snoy, Co-ordinator of the OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, and Mr. Lyubomir Todorov, Counsellor, OSCE Delegation of Bulgaria, OSCE Chairmanship 2004.

- **Presentation of key recommendations of the Guide** by the expert team: Mr. Barry Kolodkin, Senior Investment Expert, Mr. Shawn Sullivan, Attorney at Law, and Ms. Olga Moreva, Small and Medium Enterprise Expert
- **Concluding remarks** by Ms. Nina Lindroos-Kopolo, Associate Programme Officer, OCEEA
- Discussion

Tuesday, 23 May 2006, Gallery Hall

09.30-11.00 **Side Event with Mediterranean Partners for Co-Operation: The Role of transport in regional integration and trans-Mediterranean co-operation**

Moderator: **Ambassador Carlos Sanchez de Boado**, Head of the Permanent Mission of Spain to the OSCE

Rapporteur: **Mr. Fabrizio Scarpa**, External Co-operation Officer, OSCE Secretariat

Keynote addresses by:

- **Mr. Antonio Chica**, Ministry of Transport, Spain
- **Ambassador Christian D. Falkowski**, Head of the Delegation of the European Commission to the OSCE
- Discussion

Tuesday, 23 May 2006, Mirror Hall

12.30 – 13.30 **Launching of the OSCE/IOM/ILO Handbook on Establishing Effective Labour Migration Policies in Countries of Origin and Destination**

- **Introductory remarks** by Mr. Frank Geerkens, Head of the OSCE Chairmanship Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Belgium/OSCE Chairmanship, Mr. Bernard Snoy, Co-ordinator of the OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, and Ms. Blažka Kepic, Counsellor, Chargé d'Affaires a.i., OSCE Delegation of Slovenia, Chairmanship 2005
- **Presentation of the main points of the Handbook** by Mr. Nilim Baruah, Head, Labour Migration Division, IOM Geneva, Mr. Ryszard Cholewinski, Labour Migration Specialist, IOM Geneva, and Patrick Taran, Senior Migration Specialist, ILO Geneva
- **Concluding remarks** by Ms. Nina Lindroos-Kopolo, Associate Programme Officer, OCEEA
- Discussion