25th OSCE Economic and Environmental Forum
“Greening the economy and building partnerships”

FIRST PREPARATORY MEETING
“Good Governance, Business Partnerships and Economic Participation”

Vienna, 23-24 January 2017
OSCE Congress Centre, Hofburg, Heldenplatz, 1010 Vienna

DRAFT AGENDA

Monday, 23 January 2017

09:30 - 11:00 Opening Session Neuer Saal, 2nd floor

Welcoming remarks:
- Ambassador Michael Linhart, Secretary General of the Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs, Austria
- Ambassador Lamberto Zannier, OSCE Secretary General
- Dr. Halil Yurdakul Yiğitgüden, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Keynote speeches:
- Dr. Hans Jörg Schelling, Federal Minister of Finance, Austria
- Ms. Tatiana Valovaya, Member of the Board (Minister) for Integration and Macroeconomics, Eurasian Economic Commission

Moderator: Ambassador Clemens Koja, Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Austria to the OSCE, 2017 OSCE Austrian Chairmanship

Rapporteur: Ms. Sophie Surinder, Adviser, Economic and Environmental Dimension, Permanent Mission of Austria to the OSCE, 2017 OSCE Austrian Chairmanship
Statements by Delegations / Discussion

11:00 - 11:30  Coffee/Tea Break

11:30 - 13:00  Session I: Good Governance and Corruption Prevention
   Neuer Saal, 2nd floor

   Selected topics:
   • Good governance and its impact on business integrity
   • Corruption prevention policies
   • Improvement of business and investment climate

Moderator: Ambassador Olga Algayerová, Permanent Representative of the Slovak Republic to the International Organizations in Vienna

Rapporteur: Mr. Kurban Babayev, Associate Anti-Corruption Officer, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Speakers:
- Ambassador Bernd Borchardt, Head of OSCE Presence in Albania
- Mr. Aliaksandr Lashyn, Deputy Prosecutor General, Republic of Belarus
- Mr. Martin Kreutner, Dean, International Anti-Corruption Academy, Austria
- Prof. Ermelinda Meksi, Deputy Co-ordinator/Head, Economic Activities, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
- Ms. Kari Aina Eik, Secretary General, Organization for International Economic Relations, Austria

Discussion

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

14:30 - 16:00  Session II: Building Economic Partnerships in the OSCE area
   Neuer Saal, 2nd floor

   Selected topics:
   • Connectivity after Hamburg – the way forward
   • Rebuilding economic partnerships in conflict regions
   • Improving economic relations in the OSCE area

Moderator: Ambassador Véronique Roger-Lacan, Permanent Representative of France to the OSCE
Rapporteur: Ms. Zukhra Bektepova, Economic Affairs Officer, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Speakers:

- Mr. Thomas Lenk, Head of OSCE and Council of Europe Division, Federal Foreign Office, Germany
- Dr. Anastasia Stepanova, Research Scholar, International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis
- Mr. Petros Sourmelis, Head of Unit, Directorate E, Unit E2, Russia, CIS, Ukraine, Western Balkans, EFTA, EEA and Turkey, DG Trade, European Commission
- Ambassador Martin Sajdik, Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office in Ukraine and in the Trilateral Contact Group on the implementation of the peace plan in the East of Ukraine
- Mr. Mykhailo Nepran, First Vice-President, Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Ukraine
- Dr. Hannes Swoboda, President, Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies, Austria

Discussion

16:00 - 16:30 Coffee/Tea Break

16:30 -18:00 Session III: Economic Participation for Strengthening Security
Neuer Saal, 2nd floor

Selected Topics:

- Job and business creation
- Women in entrepreneurship
- Prevention of radicalisation

Moderator: Ambassador M. Victoria González Román, Permanent Representative of Spain to the OSCE

Rapporteur: Ms. Teresa Albano, Economic Affairs Officer, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Speakers:

- Dr. Erhard Busek, Chairman, Institute for the Danube region and Middle Europe; Former Vice Chancellor of Austria and Former Coordinator, Southeast European Cooperative Initiative
- Dr. Johannes Kopf, Member of the Executive Board, AMS-Public Employment Service, Austria
- Ms. Munkhtuya Altangerel, Deputy Resident Representative of UNDP in Kazakhstan
Ms. Rasa Ostrauskaite, Co-ordinator of Activities to Address Transnational Threats, OSCE

Ms. Maria Baumgartner, Founder of SpeedInvest, Austria

Ms. Zeljka Sulc, National Spokesperson, OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina

Discussion

18:30 Reception at Alois-Mock-Saal at the Austrian Foreign Ministry, hosted by Ambassador Clemens Koja, Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Austria to the OSCE, 2017 OSCE Austrian Chairmanship
Tuesday, 24 January 2017

9:00 - 10:00 Opening Session Neuer Saal, 2nd floor

Keynote speech:

- **Mr. Hans-Georg Kramer**, Director General, Tax and Customs Administration, Tariffs and Fight Against Fraud, Federal Ministry of Finance, Austria

**Moderator:** **Mr. Andreas Stadler**, Minister Plenipotentiary, Deputy Head of Mission for the Economic and Environmental Dimension, Permanent Mission of Austria to the OSCE, 2017 Austrian OSCE Chairmanship

**Rapporteur:** **Ms. Tatiana Varacheva**, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Speakers:

- **Mr. Marat Beisenov**, Director Customs Control Department, State Revenue Committee, Kazakhstan
- **Ms. Sara Srdic**, Head of Department, Ministry of Finance, Customs Administration, Serbia
- **Mr. Ahmad Reshad Popal**, Director General Customs Administration, Afghanistan
- **Ms. Bettina Vogl-Lang**, Vice-Chair of World Customs Organisations, Europe Chapter and Federal Ministry of Finance, Austria

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_The parallel Working Groups will take place in Neuer Saal/2nd floor, Ratsaal and Hall 533/5th floor._

10:00 - 11:30 Working Group I: Good Governance and Corruption Prevention Neuer Saal/2nd floor

**Moderator:** **Ambassador Olga Algayerová**, Permanent Representative of the Slovak Republic to the International Organizations in Vienna

**Rapporteur:** **Mr. Uroš Milanović**, Attaché, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Serbia to the OSCE

**Facilitators:**

- **Prof. Ermelinda Meksi**, Deputy Co-ordinator/Head, Economic Activities, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
- **Mr. Andreas Wieselthaler**, Director, Federal Bureau of Anti-Corruption, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Austria
- **Mrs. Laura Sherman**, Anti-Corruption Adviser, Rule of Law & Human Rights- Economic Crime & Anti-corruption, OSCE Mission to Serbia
- **Ms. Tatjana Bojanic**, Acting Director, Serbian Institute of Standardization, Serbia

**Working Group II: Building Economic Partnerships in the OSCE area**

Moderator: **Ambassador Véronique Roger-Lacan**, Permanent Representative of France to the OSCE

Rapporteur: **Ms. Claire Nantier**, Counsellor, Permanent Representation of France to the OSCE

Facilitators:

- **Ms. Bettina Vogl-Lang**, Vice-Chair of World Customs Organisation, Europe Chapter and Federal Ministry of Finance, Austria
- **Ms. Natalia Mirimanova**, International Alert, Humanitarian Dialogue, Belgium
- **Mr. Marat Beisenov**, Director Customs Control Department, State Revenue Committee, Kazakhstan
- **Ms. Sara Srdic**, Head of Department, Ministry of Finance, Customs Administration, Serbia

**Working Group III: Economic Participation for Strengthening Security**

Moderator: **Ambassador M. Victoria González Román**, Permanent Representative of Spain to the OSCE

Rapporteur: **Mr. Luis Manuel Cuesta**, Deputy Permanent Representative for Politico-military Issues, Permanent Mission of Spain to the OSCE

Facilitators:

- **Ms. Kari Aina Eik**, Secretary General, Organization for International Economic Relations, Austria
- **Ms. Jana Zabunov**, NGO „Women’s Entrepreneurship Academy“, Serbia
- **Ms. Hedda Femundsenden**, Gender Coordinator, UNIDO
- **Mr. Rati Japaridze**, Economic and Environmental Activities, Economic and Environmental Officer, OSCE Programme Office in Astana
- **Ms. Zeljka Sulc**, National Spokesperson, OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina
11:30 - 12:00 Coffee/Tea Break

12:00 - 13:00 Working Group I: Good Governance and Corruption Prevention (Continued) Neuer Saal/2nd floor

Working Group II: Building Economic Partnerships in the OSCE area (Continued) Ratsaal/5th floor

Working Group III: Economic Participation for Strengthening Security (Continued) Hall 533/5th floor

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch hosted by the 2017 Austrian OSCE Chairmanship

14:30 - 16:00 Concluding Plenary Session Neuer Saal, 2nd floor

Selected Topics:

- Presentation by Moderators of the three Working Groups: lessons learned and priority areas for future discussion and increased cooperation
- Outlook to the work plan of the Economic and Environmental Committee

Moderator: Mr. Andreas Stadler, Minister Plenipotentiary, Deputy Head of Mission for the Economic and Environmental Dimension, Permanent Mission of Austria to the OSCE, 2017 Austrian OSCE Chairmanship

Rapporteur: Ms. Brigitte Krech, Economic and Environmental Affairs Adviser, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Speakers:

- Ambassador Olga Algayerová, Moderator of Working Group I
- Ambassador Véronique Roger-Lacan, Moderator of Working Group II
- Ambassador M. Victoria González Román, Moderator of Working Group III
- Ambassador Kairat Sarybay, Chairperson of the OSCE Economic and Environmental Committee, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the International Organizations in Vienna
- Dr. Halil Yurdakul Yiğitgüden, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
- Ambassador Florian Raunig, Head of the Task Force for the 2017 Austrian OSCE Chairmanship

Closing Statements