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“Promoting economic progress and security in the OSCE area through innovation, human capital development, and good public and corporate governance”

FIRST PREPARATORY MEETING

Vienna, 22-23 January 2018  
OSCE Congress Centre, Hofburg, Heldenplatz, 1010 Vienna

DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

Monday, 22 January 2018

10:00 - 11:00 Opening Session (Neuer Saal, 2nd floor)

Welcoming remarks:

- Ambassador Alessandro Azzoni, Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Italy to the OSCE, 2018 OSCE Italian Chairmanship
- Ambassador Thomas Greminger, OSCE Secretary General
- Ambassador Vuk Žugić, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Moderator: Ambassador Alessandro Azzoni, Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Italy to the OSCE, 2018 OSCE Italian Chairmanship

Rapporteur: Ms. Giulia Manconi, Advisor for the Economic and Environmental Dimension, Permanent Mission of Italy to the OSCE, 2018 OSCE Italian Chairmanship

Statements by Delegations / Discussion

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee/Tea Break
11:30 - 13:00 Session I: Digital economy as driver for growth and connectivity

Selected Topics:

- Ways to expand the benefits of digital economy
- Expand digital infrastructure
- Digital trade
- Enhancing partnership and business interaction

Moderator: Ms. Maja Handjiska Trendafilova, Coordinator of SEE 2020 Strategy, Regional Cooperation Council

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

Speakers:

- Prof. Andrea Gumina, Expert on Innovation, Digital Economy, Next Production Revolution, 2017 Italian G7 Presidency, Italy
- H.E. Karine Minasyan, Member of Board, Minister in charge of Internal Markets, Information Support, Information and Communication Technology, Eurasian Economic Commission
- Prof. Boris Otto, Managing Director, Fraunhofer Institute for Software and Systems Engineering, Germany
- Mr. Vladimir Basko, Director General, Infopark Association, Vice-Chairman, Confederation of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs, Belarus

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: Boosting innovation, competitiveness and employment through digital economy

Selected Topics:

- Innovation, new business models, smart products and services
- Digital entrepreneurship and job creation
- SMEs access to digital economy
- Digital technology to enhance social and economic inclusion

Moderator: Ambassador Kairat Sarybay, Chairperson of the OSCE Economic and Environmental Committee, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the International Organizations in Vienna

Rapporteur: Mr. Alistair Hodson, First Secretary/Political, United Kingdom Delegation to the OSCE
Speakers:

- **Prof. Ingela Sölvell**, Researcher, Stockholm School of Economics, Center for Advanced Studies in Leadership, Sweden
- **Mr. Martin Bailey**, Head of Unit, Digital Policy Development and Coordination, Directorate-General for Communications Networks, Content and Technology, European Commission
- **Dr. Simon Jäggi**, Deputy Head, Economic Policy Directorate, Federal Department of Economic Affairs, Education and Research, State Secretariat for Economic Affairs, Switzerland
- **Ambassador Pierre von Arx**, Head of the OSCE Programme Office in Bishkek

Discussion

16:00 - 16:30 Coffee/Tea Break

16:30 -18:00 Session III: Enhancing good governance, transparency and the fight against corruption through digitalisation

Selected Topics:

- Technology as an enabler for creating a culture of integrity
- Open and transparent public administration
- Public participation through e-governance
- Procurement digitalisation

**Moderator:** **Dr. Leena Ilmola-Sheppard**, Senior Research Scholar, International Institute for Applied System Analysis (IIASA)

**Rapporteur:** **Ms. Amanda Szalczynski**, Adviser on Economic and Environmental Affairs, Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the OSCE

Speakers:

- **Mr. Adilbek Mukashev**, Head of Department, Agency for Civil Service Affairs and Anti-Corruption in Pavlodar, Republic of Kazakhstan
- **Mr. Dražen Maravić**, Director, National Academy for Public Administration, Serbia
- **Ms. Gvantsa Meunargia**, Head of Strategic Development Unit, Analytical Department, Ministry of Justice, Georgia
- **Ambassador Vaidotas Verba**, Project Co-ordinator, OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine

Discussion

18:30 Reception hosted by the 2018 OSCE Italian Chairmanship (Italian Embassy, Palais Metternich) *(Transfers will be provided)*
**Tuesday, 23 January 2018**

**09:30 - 11:00**  
Session IV: Security implications of digital economy

**Selected topics:**

- Security risks for public and private sectors
- Approaches to promote digital security in business
- Economic impact of digital crimes
- Private-Public Partnerships

**Moderator:** Ambassador Károly Dán, Permanent Representative of Hungary to the OSCE, the UN and other International Organizations

**Rapporteur:** Mr. Merey Mukazhan, Second Secretary, Perment Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the International Organisations in Vienna

**Speakers:**

- **Prof. Elina Sidorenko**, Department of Criminal Law, Moscow State Institute of International Relations, Russian Federation
- **Prof. Majlinda Zhegu**, Department of Management and Technology, University of Montreal, Canada
- **Captain Antonio Romano**, Head IT Operational Unit, Guardia di Finanza, Ministry of Economy and Finance, Italy
- **Ms. Rasa Ostrauskaite**, Co-ordinator of Activities to Address Transnational Threats, OSCE

**Discussion**

**11:00 - 11:15**  
Coffee/Tea Break

**11:15 - 12:45**  
Session V: Boosting sustainability through digital economy

**Selected Topics:**

- Digital technologies and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
- Smart Cities
- Synergies between digital economy and green economy
- Carbon footprint of digitalisation

**Moderator:** Mr. Andreas Stadler, Minister Plenipotentiary, Permanent Mission of Austria to the OSCE

**Rapporteur:** Mr. Daniel Kroos, Senior Programme Officer, Energy Security, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
Speakers:

- **Ms. Nilza de Sena, MP**, Chair of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly’s Committee for Economic Affairs, Science, Technology and Environment
- **Mr. Farkhod Ibragimov**, Director, Mirzo Ulugbek Innovation Centre, Uzbekistan
- **Mr. Nikolas Neubert**, Head of Business Unit Sustainable Buildings and Cities, Center for Energy, Austrian Institute of Technology, Austria
- **Mr. Hristo Hristov**, Director of Information Technology Directorate, Ministry of Transport Information Technology and Communications, Bulgaria

Discussion

13:00 - 13:30  Concluding Session

- **Ambassador Alessandro Azzoni**, Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Italy to the OSCE, 2018 OSCE Italian Chairmanship
- **Ambassador Vuk Žugić**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

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

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