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“Promotion of common actions and co-operation in the OSCE area in the fields of development of sustainable energy and transport”

**SECOND PREPARATORY MEETING
(DEVELOPMENT OF SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT)**

Druskininkai, Lithuania, 4-5 April 2011

AGENDA

Sunday, 3 April

19:00 **Welcome Reception hosted by Mr. Goran Svilanović, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, at the Restaurant EUROPA ROYALE Druskininkai Vilniaus ave. 7, Druskininkai**

Monday, 4 April

09.30 – 10.30 **Opening Session**

- **Mr. Ričardas Malinauskas**, Mayor of Druskininkai
- **Mr. Arunas Štaras**, Vice Minister of Transport and Communication of the Republic of Lithuania
- **Mr. Egidijus Meilūnas**, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania, 2011 OSCE Chairmanship
- **Ambassador Marc Perrin de Brichambaut**, OSCE Secretary General
- **Mr. Goran Svilanović**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

10.30 – 11.00 **Coffee/Tea break (Press Conference)**

11.00 – 13.00 **Opening Panel Debate - Promoting sustainable transport in the OSCE area: challenges and responses**

Selected topics:

- Key concepts of sustainable transport and experiences from various transport modes

- Maximizing the economic efficiency of transport while minimizing its impact on the environment
- Transport efficiency from a time, cost, energy and environmental perspective
- Most recent developments and initiatives across the region, current good practices

Moderator: **Mr. Arturās Racas**, Journalist, Baltic News Service, Lithuania

Rapporteur: **Mr. Roel Janssens**, Economic Adviser, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (OCEEA), OSCE Secretariat

Panel debate followed by discussion:

- **Ambassador Leonidas Chrysanthopoulos**, Secretary General, Organization of the Black Sea Economic Co-operation (BSEC)
- **Ambassador Vytautas Naudužas**, Ambassador for energy and transport policy issues, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania, 2011 OSCE Chairmanship
- **Ms. Anita Makinen**, Head of the Marine Environment Protection Unit, Finnish Transport Safety Agency (TRAFI)
- **Mr. Hans Henrik Sievertsen**, Economic Affairs Officer, Transport Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)
- **Mr. Valery Pershin**, Deputy Head of the Department for Labour Protection, Industrial Security and Environmental Control, Russian Railways
- **Mr. Niall Leonard**, Directorate General for Mobility and Transport, European Commission
- **Mr. Vladimir Garaba**, Deputy President of the Environmental Movement of Moldova

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch break

14.30 – 16.00 **Session I – Environmentally friendly transportation choices: the role of policies**

Selected topics:

- Developing strategies aimed at reducing the impact of transport on the environment, including greening road transportation initiatives
- Promoting adequate national policies for cleaner and more energy-efficient transportation
- The role of local authorities in promoting sustainable transportation systems and better mobility demand management
- Public participation and awareness rising: the role of the civil society

Moderator: **Ambassador Ihor Prokopchuk**, Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the OSCE

Rapporteur: **Ms. Urfa Qadri**, United States Mission to the OSCE

Presentations followed by discussion:

- **Mr. Niall Leonard**, Directorate General for Mobility and Transport, European Commission

- **Ms. Susanna Zammataro**, Deputy Director General, International Road Federation (IRF)
- **Ms. Malika Babadzhanova**, Head, Central Asian Regional Environmental Centre, Tajikistan
- **Mr. Tihomir Dakic**, Project Manager, Center for Environment, Bosnia and Herzegovina

16.00 – 16.30 Coffee/Tea break

16.30 – 18.00 **Session II - Environmentally friendly transportation choices: the role of innovation and technology**

Selected topics:

- Improvement of energy efficiency in the transport field
- The role of technologies using clean and renewable energy such as solar power, hydropower, biofuels, electricity etc.
- How new technologies will affect transportation systems? The case of the electric car: Latest developments and private sector initiatives

Moderator: **Mr. Hans Henrik Sievertsen**, Economic Affairs Officer, Transport Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)

Rapporteur: **Mr. Yaroslav Yurtsaba**, National Project Manager, Office of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine

Presentations followed by discussion:

- **Mr. Tali Trigg**, Energy Analyst, International Energy Agency (IEA)
- **Mr. Manuel Lage**, General Manager, Natural Gas Vehicle Association Europe (NGVA Europe)
- **Mr. Egidijus Skrodenis**, Head of Traffic Safety Division, Lithuanian Road Administration

18.30 **Reception hosted by the Lithuanian 2011 OSCE Chairmanship**, at the Panoramic Restaurant Four Winds, Grand SPA Lietuva, V. Kudirkos St. No 45, 8th Floor

Tuesday, 5 April

09.30 – 11.00 **Session III – Facilitation of international land transport: co-ordination and simplification of border crossing and customs clearance procedures**

Selected topics:

- Lessons learnt in promoting inter-agency co-operation and co-ordination at national level and across borders Multi-stakeholder co-operation and the involvement of the private sector
- The need to minimize trade transaction costs by simplifying and reducing procedures and documentary requirements
- Examining existing good practices and recent developments and identifying areas where further progress is needed

Moderator: **Mr. Vytenis Ališauskas**, Deputy Director of Customs Information System Center, Lithuania

Rapporteur: Robert Hull, Permanent Mission of Ireland to the OSCE

Presentations followed by discussion:

- **Ms. Catherine Truel**, Director, International Trade Instrument, UK
- **Mr. Sergey Trubarov**, Head of Transport Policy Department, Eurasian Economic Community (EurAsEC)
- **Mr. Eric Stewart**, Strategic International Advisor, U.S. Chamber of Commerce

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee/Tea break

11.30 – 13.00 Session IV – Facilitation of international transport: innovation, new technologies and information exchange

Selected topics:

- Simplification and automatization for faster and more efficient clearance of cargo shipments, including through the introduction of IT systems
- The key role of Governments in providing a clear and stable regulatory framework encouraging innovation in the transport field
- Integrated information systems incl. Internet-based communication interfaces as a tool to further co-ordinate and streamline communication and information, exchange as well as control processes, between authorities and private sector operators

Moderator: Mr. Alexey Stukalo, Deputy Co-ordinator / Head, Economic Activities Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, OSCE Secretariat

Rapporteur: Mr. Alexander Peytchev, Economic and Environmental Officer, OSCE Office in Astana

Presentations followed by discussion:

- **Mr. Constantin Ciuta**, Senior Customs Adviser, ASYCUDA World Project, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
- **Mr. David Neumann**, Senior Director Head of e-Commerce Europe, DHL
- **Mrs. Airida Čėsnienė**, Director for Sventoji Port, Klaipėda State Seaport Authority, Lithuania

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch break

14.30 – 16.00 Session V – Integration of transport networks in the OSCE area

Selected topics:

- The need to step up inter-regional co-ordination and harmonization mechanisms, including in the framework of addressing the specific transit transportation challenges of landlocked developing countries
- The development of ‘Green Corridors’ allowing for long-distance freight transport routes using advanced technology and co-modality in order to achieve higher levels of energy efficiency and reduce environmental consequences

- Promoting the design of multi-modal logistic systems including through the placement of strategically located trans-shipment points as well as the establishment of better links between shipping and inland transport modes

Moderator: **Mr. Almabek Demessinov**, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the OSCE

Rapporteur: **Ms. Metka Lajšček**, Permanent Representation of the Republic of Slovenia to the OSCE

Presentations followed by discussion:

- **Mr. Anthony Pearce**, Senior Advisor, Project for Development of Logistic Centers/Nodes in Central Asia
- **Mr. Algirdas Šakalys**, Adviser to the Prime Minister of the Republic of Lithuania
- **Mr. Taleh Ziyadov**, Researcher, Cambridge University
- **Mr. Azer Tagiyev**, Regional Expert with Egis International (EU project), Turkmenistan

16.00 – 16.30 Coffee/Tea break

16.30 – 17.30 **Concluding Panel Debate - The role of the OSCE in promoting sustainable transport solutions**

Moderator: **Mr. Vytautas Naudužas**, Ambassador for energy and transport policy issues, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania, 2011 OSCE Chairmanship

Rapporteur: **Ms. Darcie Nielsen**, Head of Governance, Economic and Environmental Issues Department, OSCE Presence in Albania

General Discussion

17.30 – 18.00 **Closing Statements**

- **Mr. Goran Svilanović**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
- **Mr. Vytautas Naudužas**, Ambassador for energy and transport policy issues, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania, 2011 OSCE Chairmanship