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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. Artūras 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, Klaipeda 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 Lajnšček, 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