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17TH OSCE ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM

"Migration management and its linkages with economic, social and environmental policies to the benefit of stability and security in the OSCE region"

SECOND PREPARATORY CONFERENCE

TIRANA, 16-17 March 2009

ANNOTATED AGENDA

Monday, 16 March 2009

10.00 - 11.00 **Opening Session** (open to Press)

H.E. Mr. Bujar Nishani, Minister of Interior of Albania

Mr. Alexandros Tsiatsiamis, Special Secretary for the Development of International Programs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Greece, OSCE Chairmanship

Mr. Goran Svilanovic, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Ambassador Robert Bosch, Head of the OSCE Presence in Albania

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break

11.30 – 13.00 <u>Introductory Session I</u> – Linkages between migration management and economic, social and environmental policies

Possible topics:

- The impact of the global financial crisis on migration
- Introducing coherence between migration and economic, social and environmental policies
- Mechanisms to promote inter-agency co-operation and co-ordination
- Short- and long-term planning in addressing these linkages

Moderator: Mr. Pier Rossi-Longhi, Technical Co-operation Specialist for Europe and

Central Asia, International Organization for Migration (IOM), Vienna

Rapporteur: Ms. Despina Touratzof, Economic Programme Officer, OCEEA/OSCE

Speakers:

- Mr. Luca Barbone, Director, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management,
 Europe and Central Asia Region, the World Bank
- Mr. Patrick A. Taran, Senior Migration Specialist, International Migration Program, International Labour Office (ILO)
- Mr. Damjan Bergant, Head of the OSCE and Council of Europe Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Slovenia
- Ms. Astrid Helle Ajamay, Co-ordinator for Migration and Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch break

14.30 – 16.00 <u>Session II</u> – Migration and economic development

Possible topics:

- Migrant workers contribution to the economy
- Employment creation
- Co-development programmes

Moderator: Mr. Luca Barbone, Director, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management, Europe and Central Asia Region, the World Bank

Rapporteur: Mr. Ryan Maccan, Migration Project Assistant, OCEEA/OSCE

Speakers:

- Mr. Andrew Dabalen, Senior Economist, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management, Europe and Central Asia, the World Bank
- Mr. Bashkim Sykja, Director, Business Promotion Directorate, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Energy, Albania
- Ms. Nicole Martin de Portzamparc, Counselor, International Affairs and Codevelopment Department, Ministry for Immigration, Integration, National Identity and Co-development, France

16.00 – 16.30 Coffee break

16.30 – 18.00 <u>Session II</u> – Migration and economic development (cont.)

Possible topics:

- Migrant remittances policies and programmes
- Financial education of migrants and their families
- Diaspora involvement

Moderator: Mr. Luca Barbone, Director, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management, Europe and Central Asia Region, the World Bank

Rapporteur: Mr. Ryan Maccan, Migration Project Assistant, OCEEA/OSCE

Speakers:

- Mr. Melih Ulueren, Deputy Director General for Migration, Asylum, and Visa Issues, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Turkey
- Mr. Bahriddin Jabborov, Director, State Agency on Social Protection, Labour and Migration, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection of Population, Republic of Tajikistan
- Ms. Dziunik Aghajanyan, Head of the Department for International Organizations, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Republic of Armenia

20.00 **Reception hosted by the Ministry of Interior of Albania** (Restaurant "PERGOLA", Tirana International Hotel, 2nd Floor)

Tuesday, 17 March 2009

09.30 – 10.45 <u>Session III</u> – Social policy issues linked with migration management

Possible topics:

- Social cost of migration on the 'left-behind'
- Training and skills development programmes in the countries of origin
- Reintegration of returned migrants

Moderator: Mr. Patrick A. Taran, Senior Migration Specialist, International Migration Program, International Labour Office (ILO)

Rapporteur: Ms. Lyale Nazarova, Economic and Environmental Assistant, OSCE Centre in Ashgabad

Speakers:

- Mr. Andrea Marto, Secretary General, Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, Albania
- Mr. Reiner Martin, Head of Convergence Section of the European Central Bank, currently at the Foreign Research Division of the National Bank of Austria

10.45 – 11.15 Coffee break

11.15 – 12.30 <u>Session III</u> – Social policy issues linked with migration management (cont.)

Possible topics:

- Protection of migrant workers in employment
- Social integration, social welfare and social security protection

Moderator: Mr. Patrick A. Taran, Senior Migration Specialist, International Migration Program, International Labour Office (ILO)

Rapporteur: Ms. Lyale Nazarova, Economic and Environmental Assistant, OSCE Centre in Ashgabad

Speakers:

- Ms. Marta Kindler, Migration/Freedom of Movement Adviser, OSCE/ODIHR
- Mr. Najat Kadyrov, Executive Director, Confederation of Employers, Republic of Kazakhstan

12.30 – 14.00 Lunch break

14.00 – 15.15 <u>Session IV</u> – Environment and migration

Possible topics:

- Interrelation between environmental degradation and migration
- Link between demographic changes and environmental degradation; need for education in terms of prevention

Moderator: Mr. David Swalley, Environmental Affairs Officer, OCEEA/OSCE Secretariat Rapporteur: Mr. Yaroslav Yurtsaba, Office of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine

Speakers:

- Mr. Tamer Afifi, Associate Academic Officer / Economist, United Nations University, Institute for Environment and Human Security (UNU-EHS)
- Ms. Alina Narusova, Migration Policy Officer, Migration Policy and Research Department, International Organization for Migration (IOM), Geneva

15.15 – 15.30 Coffee break

15.30 – 16.30 Session IV – Environment and migration (cont.)

Possible topics:

- Potential consequences of environmentally induced migration for security and stability
- Policy responses to environmentally induced migration

Moderator: Mr. David Swalley, Environmental Affairs Officer, OCEEA/OSCE Secretariat Rapporteur: Mr. Yaroslav Yurtsaba, Office of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine

Speakers:

- Ms. Iryna Pribytkova, Leading Research Fellow, Professor, Institute of Sociology of the Academy of Sciences of Ukraine
- Mr. Ibragim Saidov, Head of Ecological Norms Department, Committee on Environment Protection, Head of the Scientific Water Center, Republic of Tajikistan

16.30 – 17.00 Concluding Session - the way ahead and the role of the OSCE

Representative of the Government of Albania

Mr. Goran Svilanovic, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Ambassador Louis-Alkiviadis Abatis, Deputy Head, OSCE Task Force, Director, D3 Directorate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Greece, OSCE Chairmanship