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### The 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the OSCE Economic and Environmental Forum

**“Maritime and inland waterways co-operation in the OSCE area:  
Increasing security and protecting the environment”**

**Part 2 / Prague, 19 – 21 May 2008**

Venue: Czernin Palace, Loretánské nám. 5, 118 00 Prague 1

### **ANNOTATED AGENDA**

#### **Monday, 19 May 2008**

14.30 – 15.30      **Opening Session** (*open to the press*)

**Moderator:** **Ambassador Antti Turunen**, Chairman of the Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Finland/OSCE Chairmanship

- Welcoming remarks by **Mr. Tomáš Pojar**, First Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic
- Introductory remarks by **Ambassador Marc Perrin de Brichambaut**, OSCE Secretary General, and **Mr. Bernard Snoy**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
- Opening address by **H.E. Ms. Astrid Thors**, Minister of Migration and European Affairs, Finland

15.30 – 16.00      Coffee break

16.00 – 18.00      **Introductory Plenary Session: Perspectives for future maritime and inland waterway co-operation** (*keynote addresses open to the press*)

**Moderator:** **Ambassador Yusuf Buluç**, Permanent Representative of Turkey to the OSCE

**Rapporteur:** **Mr. Philip Reuchlin**, Economic and Environmental Adviser, OSCE/OCEEA

Keynote addresses by:

- **Mr. Marek Belka**, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)
- **Mr. Cheick Sidi Diarra**, UN Under Secretary General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States
- **Mrs. Karla Peijs**, European Co-ordinator for inland waterways, the European Union
- **Mr. Gaetano Librando**, Deputy Director, Head, Treaties and Rules Section, Legal Affairs and External Relations Division, International Maritime Organization (IMO)
- **Ms. Anita Mäkinen**, Head of Marine Programme, WWF Finland

Discussion

Questions that could be addressed during the session:

- *How can the OSCE contribute to raising awareness and the effective implementation of relevant conventions, legal instruments, regulations and standards, developed by partner organizations such as the IMO and the UNECE, pertaining to maritime and inland waterways co-operation ?*
- *How should the OSCE further develop its co-operation with partners such as the UNECE or the UN-OHLRLLS in addressing the needs of landlocked developing countries in its region ?*
- *How can the OSCE contribute to the promotion of an integrated approach of security, economic and environmental aspects related to maritime and inland waterways transportation, as well as to a more effective co-operation and co-ordination between different stakeholders, including the civil society and the business community ?*
- *How should the OSCE further develop its partnership with various other organizations in addressing environmental and security challenges related to maritime and inland waterways ?*

18.30                    **Reception hosted by the Finnish Chairmanship** (Czernin Palace)

**Award of the photo competition**

**Tuesday, 20 May 2008**

09.30 – 11.00        **Plenary Session I - Review of the implementation of OSCE commitments**

**Moderator:**        **Ambassador Kairat Abdrakhmanov**, Permanent Representative of Kazakhstan to the OSCE, Chairman of the Economic and Environmental Committee

**Rapporteur:**        **Mr. Curtis Peters**, Second Secretary, Delegation of Canada to the OSCE

Speakers:

- **Mr. Olivier Kervella**, Chief, Dangerous Goods and Special Cargos Section, Transport Division, UNECE
- **Mr. Gaetano Librando**, Deputy Director, Head, Treaties and Rules Section, Legal Affairs and External Relations Division, IMO

Discussion

Questions that could be addressed during the session:

- *What could the OSCE do to enhance the implementation of its participating States' commitments regarding the transport of dangerous goods, in view of the recommendations and proposed activities mentioned in the UNECE report (EEF.IO/11/08) ?*
- *Which should be the main areas of co-operation between the OSCE and the IMO and what possible joint activities could be envisaged, to strengthen the implementation of commitments in the OSCE region related to maritime security and environmental protection, having in mind the IMO reports (EEF.IO/12/08 and EEF.IO/13/08) ?*

11.00 – 11.30                      Coffee break

11.30 – 13.00                      **Plenary Session II – Prospects for overcoming challenges faced by landlocked developing countries in the OSCE area**

**Moderator:**                      **Mr. Cheick Sidi Diarra**, UN Under Secretary General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States

**Rapporteur:**                      **Mr. Armands Pupols**, Policy Support Officer, OSCE/CPC

Speakers:

- **Mr. Annageldy Yazmuradov**, First Deputy Minister of Water Resources of Turkmenistan
- **Mr. Berik Uandykov**, Deputy Chairman of the Committee of Transportation and Means of Communication, Ministry of Transport and Communications of the Republic of Kazakhstan
- **Mr. Graham Smith**, Consultant, International Trade Department, the World Bank

Discussion

Questions that could be addressed during the session:

- *Based on the existing experience and past activities, as well as on the priorities identified by the countries in the region, what should be the next steps for the OSCE, in co-operation with other partner organizations, in addressing the special transport and transit needs of landlocked developing countries in its region and in supporting the implementation of the Almaty Programme of Action ?*

- *How could the OSCE contribute to the efforts towards increasing the performance of international trade corridors particularly in and through Central Asia, in order to ensure better access to the sea ?*
- *While focussing on border crossing facilitation, what would be the most effective approach the OSCE should adopt and what activities should be prioritized ?*

13.00 – 14.30                      Lunch break

14.30 – 16.00                      **Plenary Session III – Acting together in addressing multifaceted aspects of maritime and inland waterways security**

**Moderator:**                      **Mr. Raphael F. Perl**, Head, Action against Terrorism Unit (ATU), OSCE  
**Rapporteur:**                      **Ms. Sinead Harvey**, Attaché, Permanent Mission of Ireland to the OSCE

Speakers:

- **Mr. Larry Burton**, Senior Technical Officer, Compliance Sub-Directorate, World Customs Organization (WCO)
- **Mr. Hans-Michael Dietmar**, Corporate Product Manager Sea Freight, Schenker AG, Germany

Discussion

**Questions that could be addressed during the session:**

- *How could the OSCE facilitate a policy debate on maritime and inland waterways security related issues, such as risk management, resilience or multi-layered approach ?*
- *In which ways could the OSCE promote and support the implementation of relevant legal instruments developed by other organizations such as the WCO, IMO, ILO etc. ?*
- *What could the OSCE do in order to enhance the public-private partnership in addressing maritime and inland waterways security challenges ?*
- *Could regional activities addressing these issues be envisaged ?*

16.00 – 16.30                      Coffee break

16.30 – 18.00                      **Plenary Session IV - Emerging environmental threats to security: Need for enhanced maritime and inland waterways co-operation**

**Moderator:**                      **Mr. Paul Kielstra**, Economist Intelligence Unit  
**Rapporteur:**                      **Mr. Andrew Price**, First Secretary, United Kingdom Delegation to the OSCE

Speakers:

- **Mr. Alexandre Rachevsky**, Director of the Department for International Co-operation, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection, Republic of Belarus
- **Mr. Hamidreza Ghaffarzadeh**, Ph.D., Project Manager, Project Coordination Unit, Caspian Environment Programme
- **Mr. Juha-Markku Leppänen**, Director, State of the Baltic Sea and global change programme, Finnish Institute of Marine Research

Discussion

Questions that could be addressed during the session:

- *Starting from the existing assessments and experiences, including in the framework of the ENVSEC Initiative, which should be the next steps in tackling emerging environmental challenges in the context of the maritime and inland waterways, e.g. in promoting maritime and river basin co-operation etc. ?*
- *How could the OSCE stimulate regional co-operation on environmental matters, facilitate exchanges of best practices and provide support to existing initiatives, in particular around the Caspian Sea, the Black Sea and the Mediterranean Sea or in Central Asia ?*
- *More broadly, what could be the OSCE contribution in addressing environmental threats to security, including the impact of climate change? Which thematic areas should be prioritized and what types of activities could be further envisaged? How to promote co-operation and co-ordination between the various stakeholders and build partnerships?*

18.30                      **Reception hosted by the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (Břevnov Monastery)**

### Wednesday, 21 May 2008

09.30 - 11.00            **Plenary Session V – Enhancing good governance and promoting maritime and inland waterways co-operation**

**Moderator:**            **Ambassador Carlos Sanchez de Boado y de la Válgoma**, Permanent Representative of Spain to the OSCE

**Rapporteur:**          **Ms. Esra Buttanri**, Associate Programme Officer, OSCE/OCEEA

Speakers:

- **Captain Kjell T. Landin**, Marine Manager, Eurasia Marketing & Transportation, Chevron, Chairman of the Oil Spill Preparedness Regional Initiative (OSPRI)
- **Mr. Daniel Valensuela**, Deputy Director, International Office for Water, International Network of Basin Organizations
- **Dr. Andreas Küppers**, Research & Development Co-ordinator, GeoForschungsZentrum Potsdam, Germany

- **Mr. Pavel Ježek**, Ministerial Counsellor, Ministry of Transportation, Czech Republic

Discussion

Questions that could be addressed during the session:

- *What is the OSCE role in promoting good governance in maritime issues and public-private co-operation in addressing challenges such as oil spills and emergency situations and what practical activities could be envisaged ?*
- *What should be the future OSCE role in advancing the principles of good governance with regard to river basin management in its region and what activities could be conducted in that regard ?*
- *What kind of local, national and regional capacity building activities could the OSCE develop, in co-operation with partners, to enhance good governance in maritime and inland waterways ?*
- *More broadly, how could research, training, education and capacity building on water management related issues contribute to enhancing good governance at national and regional level and what could be the OSCE role in that regard ?*

11.00 - 11.30                      Coffee break

11.30 – 13.00      **Concluding Debate – The role of the OSCE in follow-up to the 16<sup>th</sup> Economic and Environmental Forum**

**Moderator:**        **Mr. Bernard Snoy**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

**Rapporteur:**      **Mr. Gabriel Leonte**, Economic and Environmental Adviser, OSCE/OCEEA

Conclusions and recommendations from the Forum process and possible follow-up (EEF.GAL/5/08)

Discussion

Closing Statement by **Ambassador Aleksi Härkönen**, Head of the OSCE Chairmanship Task Force, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland/OSCE Chairmanship (*open to the press*)