



ACTIVITY REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN-IN-OFFICE (18 to 24 May)

OSCE Chairmanship's Special Envoy participated in an International Policy Dialogue meeting "New perspectives for economic cooperation in Central Asia"

BERLIN, 18-19 May 2006 – The Special Envoy of the Chairmanship, Senator Pierre Chevalier, participated in an International Policy Dialogue meeting where he spoke on "Cooperation on poverty reduction, social investment and human security". This platform is to serve as a basis for developing and evolving future-directed development policy cooperation, growth and investment strategies in Central Asia.

OSCE Chairman-in-Office calls on Belgrade and Podgorica to continue dialogue after referendum

BRUSSELS, 22 May 2006 – Following the referendum in Montenegro, the OSCE Chairman-in-Office, Minister Karel De Gucht, urged Belgrade and Podgorica to continue their dialogue on how to shape future relations.

OSCE Chairman-in-Office opened the second part of the OSCE Economic Forum in Prague

PRAGUE, 22 May 2006 - At the Forum's opening session, the OSCE Chairman-in-Office, Minister Karel De Gucht, emphasized the importance of secure transport networks for economic development and regional stability.

Key issues discussed by the leaders and experts from more than 60 countries included the implementation of international conventions, promoting good governance in the area of transport, addressing the needs of landlocked countries, enhancing transport security and contributing to conflict resolution.

OSCE Chairman-in-Office met ODIHR Director

WARSAW, 23 May 2006 - The OSCE Chairman-in-Office, Minister Karel De Gucht, met ODIHR Director Christian Strohal.

OSCE Chairman-in-Office met the "3+2" in the framework of the negotiation process on the Transnistrian conflict

BRUSSELS, 24 May 2006 - The OSCE Chairman-in-Office, Minister Karel De Gucht, met the three mediators (Russia, Ukraine and OSCE) and the two observers (EU and US) in the framework of the negotiation process aimed at finding a final and comprehensive settlement of the Transnistrian conflict.

OSCE Chairman-in-Office met the Head of the OSCE mission in Georgia

BRUSSELS, 24 May 2006 - The OSCE Chairman-in-Office, Minister Karel De Gucht, met the Head of the OSCE mission in Georgia, Ambassador Reeve, to discuss the Donor Conference on Georgia/South-Ossetia to be held on 14 June 2006 in Brussels.