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“Demographic Trends, Migration and Integrating Persons belonging to National Minorities: Ensuring Security and Sustainable Development in the OSCE area”

Prague, 23 - 27 May 2005

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

ANNOTATED AGENDA

Monday, 23 May 2005

15.00 – 18.00 **Opening plenary** (open to the press) - *Plenary Hall*

Welcoming remarks by the Chairperson of the Economic Forum, **Ambassador Boris Frlec**, Head of the OSCE Task Force, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia / OSCE Chairmanship

Welcoming remarks by the representative of the Government of the Czech Republic, **H.E. Pavel Svoboda**, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs

Opening address by the Chairman-in-Office, **H.E. Dimitrij Rupel**, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia

Welcoming remarks by **Mr. Marcin Świącicki**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Addresses by representatives of OSCE institutions:

- **Mr. Christian Strohal**, Director, ODIHR
- **Mr. Rolf Ekéus**, High Commissioner on National Minorities

Keynote addresses by:

- **Mr. Vladimír Špidla**, European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, “*Demographic Crisis – required reforms and new policies*”
- **Ms. Brigita Schmögnerová**, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
- **Mr. Brunson McKinley**, Director General of the International Organization for Migration
- **Ms. Rita Süßmuth**, Member of the Global Commission on International Migration, former President of the German Bundestag, former Vice-President of OSCE PA, “*Migration – Between Acceptance and Rejection*”
- **Mr. Grigory Rapota**, Secretary General of the Eurasian Economic Community
- **Mr. Norman Myers**, Environmental Consultant, Fellow, Oxford University
- **Mr Alexander Vladychenko**, Director General of Social Cohesion, Council of Europe

Discussion

18.30 **Reception hosted by the OSCE Chairman-in-Office - Toskansky Palace**

Tuesday, 24 May 2005

09.00 – 11.30 **Review of the implementation of OSCE commitments in the economic and environmental dimension focusing on “Integration, Trade and Transport”** - *Plenary Hall*

Moderator: Ambassador Boris Frlec, Head of the OSCE Task Force, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia / OSCE Chairmanship

Rapporteur: Mr. Jörn Beisert, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the OSCE

- Presentation of the UNECE report on the implementation of OSCE commitments in the area of “Integration, Trade and Transport” by **Mr. Abdur Chowdhury**, Director, Economic Analysis Division, UNECE
- Presentation of “Transition indicators on trade and infrastructure” by **Ms. Vanessa Mitchell-Thomson**, Principal Economist, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
- Comments by **Ms. Gina Volynsky**, UNDP Regional Center in Bratislava
- Keynote statement by **Mr. Michael Harms**, German Committee on Eastern European Economic Relations
- Presentation of the Summary of Questionnaire contributions by **Mr. Marcin Świącicki**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Discussion

11.30 – 12.00 *Coffee break*

12.00 – 12.30 **OCEEA Activity Report** - *Plenary Hall*

Presentation of the OCEEA Activity Report by **Mr. Marcin Świącicki**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

12.30 – 14.30 *Lunch break*

14.30 – 16.15 **Review of the implementation of commitments: *Integration and Trade*** - *Plenary Hall*

Moderator: Ambassador Brendan Moran, Permanent Mission of Ireland to the OSCE

Rapporteur: Mr. Denis Sidorenko, Permanent Delegation of the Republic of Belarus to the OSCE

- **Mr. Mario Apostolov**, Regional Adviser, Trade Development and Timber Division, UNECE
- **Mr. Daniel Linotte**, Senior Trade Advisor, Policy and Legal Advice Centre (PLAC), EU Project/EAR, Commitments within the WTO and the accession processes
- **Mr. Michael Stopford**, Head of Global Public Affairs and Government Relations, Syngenta International AG

Discussion

16.15 – 16.45 *Coffee break*

16.45 – 18.00 **Review of the implementation of commitments: *Transport - Plenary Hall***

Moderator: Minister Pierre Chevalier, Special Envoy of the Belgian Minister of Foreign Affairs for the OSCE Chairmanship 2006

Rapporteur: Ms. Brigitte Waignein, Permanent Mission of Belgium to the OSCE

- **Mr. Michalis Adamantiadis**, Regional Adviser, Transport Division, UNECE
- **Mr. Bernard Snoy**, Director of Working Table II – Economic reconstruction, Development and Cooperation, Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe

Discussion

14.30 – 16.15 **Side event with the Mediterranean Partners for Co-operation: *Migration and economic development of the sending countries (Gallery Room)***

Moderator: Minister Pierre Chevalier, Special Envoy of the Belgian Minister of Foreign Affairs for the OSCE Chairmanship 2006

Rapporteur: Mr. Fabrizio Scarpa, External Co-operation Officer, OSCE Secretariat

- **Ambassador Omar Zniber**, Morocco
- **Mr. Jean-Pierre Garson**, Head of Non-Member Economies and International Migration Division, OECD

Discussion

16.45 – 18.00 **Side event on implementing the Roma and Sinti Action Plan (economic and social aspects): *Increasing access of Roma to employment and inclusion in local economic development; Elements of an OSCE cross-dimension approach (Gallery Room)***

Moderator: Mr. Mitja Žagar, Director, Institute for Ethnic Studies, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Rapporteur: Mr. Dan Doghi, Officer on Roma and Sinti issues, OSCE / ODIHR

- **Mr. Michael Guet**, Head of the Roma and Travellers Division; Migration and Roma Department; DG III - Social Cohesion, Council of Europe, and **Mr. Nenad Vladislavljev**, Roma consultant, Serbia and Montenegro
- **Mr. Michal Vašečka**, Program director and analyst, Institute for Public Affairs, Slovakia
- **Mr. Valeriu Nicolae**, ERIO – European Roma Information Office, Bruxelles
- **Mr. Nicolae Gheorghe**, Contact Point for Roma and Sinti Issues, OSCE / ODIHR

Discussion

Wednesday, 25 May 2005

09.00 – 10.30. **Session I - Population developments – Plenary Hall**

Moderator: Mr. Janez Malačič, Professor, Head of the Statistical Department, Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

Rapporteur: Ms. Jeannette Kloetzer, Economic and Environmental Officer, OSCE Office in Yerevan

- **Confronting the demographic challenges of the OSCE area**
- **Support for the improvement and harmonization of data collection on migration and national minorities**
Mr. Claus Folden, Coordinator, Technical Cooperation Centre, International Organization for Migration
- **Strengthening of research on demographic developments, economic migration and economic/social integration for information sharing and policy making**
Mr. Wolfgang Lutz, Director, Vienna Institute for Demography, Leader, World Population Program, International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis

Discussion

10.30 – 11.00 *Coffee break*

11.00 – 12.30 **Session II – Improving economic prospects in countries of emigration – Plenary Hall**

Moderator: Mr. Andreas Halbach, Regional Representative, IOM Vienna

Rapporteur: Mr. Armand Pupols, Mission Programme Officer, Conflict Prevention Center, OSCE Secretariat

- **Facilitating the development of institutional setting, investment, business climates and employment opportunities**
Mr. Fernand Pillonel, Head of Office, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Tajikistan
- **How shall OSCE address strategic economic issues and facilitate faster small and medium enterprise sector development furthering youth employment in countries of emigration?**
Mr. John Fitzgerald, FINCA Samara, Russia Country Director
- **Building of human and institutional capacities to meet market and economic development demands**
Mr. Roman Mogilevsky, Executive Director, Center for Social and Economic Research (CASE), Kyrgyzstan

Discussion

12.30 – 14.30 *Lunch break*

14.30 – 16.00 **Session III – Environment and Migration – Plenary Hall**

Moderator: Ms. Katherine Brucker, Deputy Political Counsellor, United States Mission to the OSCE

Rapporteur: Mr. Craig Weichel, Delegation of Canada to the OSCE

- **Addressing root causes and the effects of environmental migration: natural disasters, desertification, man-made disasters and climate change and environmental refugees - recognition and action**
Mr. Norman Myers, Fellow, Oxford University, UK
- **Case study Tajikistan: Human provoked- and natural disasters – one of the reasons causing migration**
Mr. R. Latipov, Deputy Chairman of the State Committee on Environment and Forestry, Tajikistan
- **Environmental impacts of displaced persons**
Mr. David Stone, Director- Livelihood and Environmental Security (LIVES) Advisory Group

Discussion

16.00 – 16.30 *Coffee break*

16.30 – 18.00 **Session IV - Providing services for migrants – Plenary Hall**

Moderator: Prof. Rasto Ovin Professor, Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Maribor, Slovenia

Rapporteur: Ms. Kimberly Bulkley, Economic and Environmental Officer, OSCE Center in Tashkent

- **Facilitating actions to establish information points for migrants in countries of destination**
Ms. Susan Martin, Migration Expert, Georgetown University Washington
- **Assisting countries of origin to provide relevant information and training to potential migrants, and to create migrant information centres**
Mr. Maurizio Busatti, Chief of Mission, International Organisation for Migration, Tirana

Discussion

14.30 – 16.00 *Side event – Anti-trafficking Programme (Mirror Hall)*

Presentation of the status of the OCEEA Anti-Trafficking Programme on Public-Private Co-operation in the Prevention of Trafficking in Human Beings (ATP) and other OSCE anti-trafficking activities

Moderator: Ms. Helen Santiago Fink, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, OCEEA

Please find the Agenda in Annex 1

Thursday, 26 May 2005

09.00 – 10.30 **Session V – Awareness raising and economic integration in countries of destination – Plenary Hall**

Moderator: Ms. Susan Martin, Migration Expert, Georgetown University Washington

Rapporteur: Mr. Danielius Pivoriunas, Economic and Environmental Adviser, OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina

- **Supporting awareness raising actions regarding integration of migrants and non discrimination on the labour market, in national labour codes and regarding migrants' legal and social rights and obligations**

Mr. Steve Arnott, Expert, Directorate General Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, Directorate National Employment and Social Inclusion, Monitoring and European Social Fund Operations, European Commission

- **Promoting ratification and implementation of international migration conventions and agreements on non discrimination**

Mr. Martin Oelz, International Labour Standards Department, International Labour Office

- **Transit migration – a challenge for migration management**

Ms Ann-Charlotte Nygard, Acting Director, Policy Development, International Centre for Migration Policy Development

Discussion

10.30 – 11.00 *Coffee break*

11.00 – 12.30 **Session VI – The informal sector – Plenary Hall**

Moderator: Ms. Michele Klein Solomon , Deputy Director, Migration Policy, Research and Communications Department, International Organization for Migration

Rapporteur: Mr. Johannes Schachinger, Delegation of the European Commission to the OSCE

- **The significance of the informal sector in attracting illegal migration including trafficking in human beings - exchange of information, experience and best practice**

Ms. Irina Ivakhniuk, Senior Researcher, Deputy Director of the Department of Population, Faculty of Economics, Moscow State University “Lomonosov”, Russian Federation

- **The need for improving legal labour migration channels**

Ms. Alenka Mesojedec-Pervinsek, Senior Policy Adviser, International Centre for Migration Policy Development

- **Facilitating bilateral and regional agreements to manage labour migration**

Ms. Michele Klein Solomon, Deputy Director, Migration Policy, Research and Communications Department, International Organization for Migration

Discussion

12.30 – 14.30 *Lunch break*

14.30 – 16.00 **Session VII - – Policies of integration of persons belonging to national minorities – Plenary Hall**

Moderator: Mr. John de Fonblanque, Director, Office of the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities

Rapporteur: Mr. Vincent de Graaf, Legal Officer, Office of the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities

- **Inclusion and social cohesion**
Mr. Nick Johnson, Director of Policy and Public Sector, Commission for Racial Equality, United Kingdom
- **Non-discrimination and positive measures**
Ms. Tove Malloy, Senior Research Associate, European Centre for Minority Issues, Flensburg, Germany
- **Policies and ways of integration**
Mr. Mitja Žagar, Director, Institute for Ethnic Studies, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Discussion

16.00 – 16.30 *Coffee break*

16.30 – 18.00 **Session VIII – Economic and social integration of persons belonging to national minorities – Plenary Hall**

Moderator: Ambassador Colin Munro, United Kingdom Delegation to the OSCE

Rapporteur: Ms. Bess Brown, Economic Officer, OSCE Center in Dushanbe

- **Ethnic diversity management and economic and social integration of persons belonging to national minorities based on the concept of integration respecting diversity**
Mr. John de Fonblanque, Director, Office of the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities
- **Need for information and awareness raising to decrease negative stereotyping**
- **Need for economic empowerment and integration**
Mr. Karomatullo Olimov, State Counsellor of the President of the Republic of Tajikistan on social development and public relations

Discussion

14.30 – 16.00 **Side Event - Presentation of Labour Migration Project – Armenia: A practical example of OSCE field work in the field of labour migration**
(Mirror Hall)

Opening Remarks Mr. Ashot Yesayan, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Labour and Social Issues, Republic of Armenia

Project Introduction Ms. Blanka Hancilova, Democratization Officer, OSCE Office in Yerevan

- **Legislative Review:** Ms. Hana Kabeleova, International Expert
- **Results of a nation-wide representative household survey:** Ms. Blanka Hancilova, Democratization Officer, OSCE Office in Yerevan
- **Lessons learned and possible follow-up:** Ms. Blanka Hancilova, Democratization Officer, OSCE Office in Yerevan

Discussion

18.30. *Reception hosted by the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities - Czernin Palace*

Friday, 27 May 2005

09.00 – 11.00 **OSCE as a platform for dialogue and co-operation - Plenary Hall**

Moderator: Ambassador Boris Frlec, Head of the OSCE Task Force, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia / OSCE Chairmanship

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

- **Wrap-up – presentation of conclusions and policy recommendations**
- **The role of the OSCE in addressing issues related to demographic developments, migration and the integration of minorities**
- **Identification of areas for closer cooperation with other organizations and institutions on migration and integration issues**
- **Comments by experts**
- **Open discussion on presented recommendations and ways forward including development of OSCE Strategy/Action Plans on migration and integration issues**

11.00 – 11.30 *Coffee break*

11.30 – 12.30 **Closing Plenary** (open to the press) – *Plenary Hall*

Closing remarks by the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, **Mr. Marcin Świącicki**

Concluding remarks by the Chairperson of the Economic Forum, **Ambassador Boris Frlec**, Head of the OSCE Task Force, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia / OSCE Chairmanship

Discussion

12.30 *Lunch*



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Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

May 25, Wednesday 14:30-16:00 (on margins of 13th OSCE Economic Forum – **Mirror Hall**)
Location: Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Czernin Palace, Loretánské nám. 5, 118 00 Prague 1.

Side Meeting – Anti-Trafficking Programme - Draft Agenda (as of 20 May)

OCEEA Anti-Trafficking Programme on Public-Private Co-operation in the Prevention of Trafficking in Human Beings (ATP)

I.

II. Opening Remarks

Mr. Marcin Świącicki, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

III. Overview of the ATP/Status of Implementation - Successes and Challenges

*Ms. Helen Santiago Fink, Senior Economic Affairs Officer/ ATP Programme Manager
OSCE/OCEEA – Secretariat*

IV. Presentation by ATP Project Implementers (accomplishments and added-value)

• **ATP Sub-Programme I: Promoting Self-regulation of the Private Sector**

Implementation of the Code of Conduct for Prevention of Trafficking and Sexual Exploitation of Children in Tourism in Bulgaria

- *Ms. Maria Petrova, Project Coordinator, Animus Association,*

- *Ms. Elitsa Videnova, Bulgarian Business Leader Forum*

• **ATP Sub-Programme III: Creating Economic Empowerment Opportunities**

- *IBLF's Youth Career Initiative*

Mr. Kurt Strohmayer, General Manager, JW Marriott Bucharest Grand Hotel

- *Women Entrepreneurial Training and Business Competition*

Mr. Robin Seaward, Deputy Head of Office, OSCE Office in Baku

- **Discussion/Questions and Answers -**

**V. OSCE Cooperation in Anti-Trafficking Activities: ATP Phase II
New Projects Opportunities and Funding Needs**

• ***Self-regulation of the Tourism Industry and Women's Economic Empowerment in Moldova***

Ms. Antonia De Meo, Anti-Trafficking Officer, OSCE Mission to Moldova

Ms. Maria Antonia Di Maio, Italian Consortium of Solidarity (ICS)

Mr. Umberto Musumeci, Nuovi Equilibri

VI. OSCE Anti-Trafficking Priorities

- *Ms. Anelise Gomes de Araujo, Adviser, OSCE Anti-Trafficking Assistance Unit (ATAU),*

- *Ms. Alina Brasoveanu, Anti-Trafficking Officer, ODIHR*

- **Discussion/Questions and Answers/Closing Remarks -**