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

Second Preparatory Seminar for the 13th OSCE Economic Forum Migration from an economic, environmental and security perspective Almaty, Kazakhstan, 24-25 January 2005

ANNOTATED AGENDA

Monday, 24 January 2005

09.00 – 10.00 **Opening plenary session** (open to Press)

Welcoming remarks by:

- **H.E. Mr. Rapol Zhoshybaev**, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan
- **H.E. Mr. Zhazbek Abdiyev**, Chairman of the Committee on migration of the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection of Population of the Republic of Kazakhstan
- **H.E. Ambassador Dr. Boris Frlec**, Head of the OSCE Task Force, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia / OSCE Chairmanship
- **H.E. Ambassador Ivar Vikki**, Head of the OSCE Center in Almaty
- **Mr. Marcin Swiecicki**, Co-coordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, OSCE Secretariat

10.00-11.00 **Plenary Session: Migration trends in the OSCE region and the OSCE neighbourhood**

- Migration flows and labour migration prospects in the context of economic and demographic developments
- Patterns of labour migration in the OSCE region and neighborhood (*permanent and temporary migration etc.*)

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

Rapporteur: Mr. Guy Schmit, Permanent Representation of the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg to the OSCE

Speakers:

- **Mr. Gervais Appave**, Director, Migration Policy and Research, IOM Geneva
- **Mr. Piyasiri Wickramasekara**, Senior Migration Specialist, International Migration Programme, International Labour Office, ILO Geneva

11.00 – 11.30 *Coffee break*

11.30 – 13.00 **Panel Discussion: Migration and Security - potential and real security threats from migration in the OSCE area – how to address them and enhance co-operation.**

- Impact on security from trans-national and cross-border migration and non-integration (*irregular flows, terrorism, smuggling etc.*)
- Impact on security/stability from national (internal) labour migration - migration from rural to urban areas
- Role of civil society in addressing migration

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

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

Panel participants:

- **Ms. Susan Martin**, Migration Expert, Georgetown University Washington, US
- **Mr. Gervais Appave**, Director, Migration Policy and Research, IOM Geneva
- **Mr. Gottfried Zuercher**, Director General, ICMPD
- **Mr. Jochen Blaschke**, Berlin Institute for Comparative Social Research, Germany
- **Mr. Talaybek Kydyrov**, Director, Regional Center for Migration and Refugee Issues, Kyrgyzstan
- **Ms. Fulya Kip-Barnard**, Associate Professor, Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey
- **Ms. Brenda Shaffer**, Research Director, Caspian Studies Program, Harvard University, US

13.00 – 14.30 *Lunch break*

Working Groups A and B meet in parallel

14.30 – 16.00

Working Group A: Economic Migration – Impact on labour market structures, changes and policy responses

- Economic aspects of labour migration in countries and areas of destination (*impact on economic growth, productivity, wages, employment, and tax collection; demographic needs; need for temporary vs. permanent labour; need for skilled vs. unskilled labour etc.*)
- Economic aspects of labour migration in countries of origin (*brain drain/regain and skills transfer; remittances and investments; reintegration etc.*)

Moderator: Ambassador Mette Kongslem, Permanent Representative of Norway to the OSCE
Rapporteur: Mr. William Hanlon, Economic and Environmental Officer, OSCE Mission to Georgia

Speakers:

- **Ms. Gudrun Biffl**, Professor of economics, Austrian Institute for Economic Research
- **Ms. Irina Ivakhniuk**, Senior Researcher, Deputy Director of the Department of Population, Faculty of Economics, Moscow State University “Lomonosov”, Russian Federation
- **Mr. Ivan Smykovsky**, Senior Advisor, Department of Employment and Population, Ministry of Labor and Social Protection of the Republic of Belarus
- **Mr. Yaroslav Yurtsaba**, SME Development Advisor, Office of OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Ukraine

14.30 – 16.30

Working Group B: Environmentally Induced Migration

- Climate change, environmental degradation and migration
- Examples from the region
- Convention synergies – opportunities for change

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

Rapporteur: Mr. David Swalley, Economic and Environmental Officer, OSCE Office in Baku

Speakers:

- **Ms. Heather Salfrank**, IOM Technical Cooperation Centre for Europe and Central Asia
- **Ms. Dina Bulesheva**, NGO “Support for Ecological Migrants”, Almaty, Kazakhstan
- **Mr. Goodspeed Kopolo**, Secretariat of the UN Convention for Combating Desertification

16.00 – 16.30 *Coffee break (WG A)*

16.30 – 17.00 *Coffee break (WG B)*

16.30 – 18.00

Working Groups A: Economic Migration – Impact on labour market structures, changes and policy responses – continued

- What are the most pressing challenges posed by irregular migration?
- Gender and Migration (*Feminization of Poverty and Migration; Trafficking in Human Beings and impact on underserved population groups; impact on the Youth*)

Moderator: Ambassador Mette Kongslem, Permanent Representative of Norway to the OSCE

Rapporteur: Mr. William Hanlon, Economic and Environmental Officer, OSCE Mission to Georgia

Speakers:

- **Ms. Helga Konrad**, OSCE Special Representative on Combating Trafficking in Human Beings
- **Ms. Galina Vitkovskaya**, Labour migration expert, IOM Moscow
- **Mr. Valeriu Certan**, Head, Analytic Information Unit, Migration Department, Moldova

17.00 – 18.00

Working Group B: Diverse Causes of Migration – Possible economic and security challenges

- Different causes of migration, including forced migration
- Migration and management of demographic imbalance

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

Rapporteur: Mr. David Swalley, Economic and Environmental Officer, OSCE Office in Baku

Speakers:

- **Mr. Jochen Blaschke**, Berliner Institut für Vergleichende Sozialforschung, Germany
- **Ms. Brenda Shaffer**, Research Director, Caspian Studies Program, Harvard University, US
- **Ms. Monique Malha**, Senior Legal Officer, Bureau for Central Asia, South West Asia, North Africa and the Middle East, UNHCR
- **Mr. Bart Laan**, Expert, Migration Issues, Stability Pact / MARRI

Tuesday, 25 January 2005

09.00 – 11.00

Plenary Session: Management of Economic Migration - Good Practices and Case Studies

- Migration regimes and Admission policies – policy developments, case studies, sharing of experiences and successful policies

- National experiences and institutional development in source and destination countries
- Integration of migrants – experiences and effective practices to date
- Bilateral, regional and global governance of migration, case studies
- How to manage migration to maximize the positive effects?

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

Rapporteur: Mr. Pier Rossi-Longhi, Regional Program Officer, IOM Vienna

Speakers:

- **Mr. Brian Casey**, Immigration Program Manager, Canadian Embassy in Moscow
- **Ms. Luisa Casado**, Senior Advisor for International Affairs, Task Force to the Directorate General for Immigration, Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Spain
- **Ms. Frederique Rychener**, Directorate General for Employment of the European Commission
- **Mr. Luigi Swich**, Ministry of Interior, Italy
- **Mr. Rauf Tagiyev**, Head of department of migration, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Azerbaijan
- **Mr. Bahriiddin Jabborov**, Deputy Head of the Department of Employment and Social Protection, Executive Office of the President of Tajikistan

11.00– 11.30 *Coffee break*

11.30 – 12.30 **Panel Discussion: Management of Economic Migration – Policy Issues and Recommendations**

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

Rapporteur: Mr. Pier Rossi-Longhi, Regional Program Officer, IOM Vienna

Panel participants:

- **Ms. Gudrun Biffl**, Professor of economics, Austrian Institute for Economic Research
- **Ms. Maria Ochoa Llido**, Head of Migration and Roma Department, Directorate General III – Social Cohesion, Council of Europe
- **Ms. Irina Ivakhniuk**, Senior Researcher, Deputy Director of the Department of Population, Faculty of Economics, Moscow State University “Lomonosov”, Russian Federation
- **Mr. Piyasiri Wickramasekara**, Senior Migration Specialist, International Migration Programme, International Labour Office, ILO Geneva
- **Mr. Andreas Halbach**, Regional Representative, IOM Vienna
- **Ms. Nadzeya Zhukava**, Migration Officer, ODIHR
- **Ms. Galina Vitkovskaya**, Labour migration expert, IOM Moscow

12.30 – 14.00 *Lunch break*

14.00 – 16.30 **Management of Economic Migration – Working Sessions**

- Division into three Working Sessions to discuss what OSCE can do to enhance the institutional capacity to address migration issues and the co-operation between countries of origin and destination, including facilitation of bilateral/regional agreements on labour movement:

- **Working Session I: Migration within Central Asia and Eastern Europe**

Moderator: Ms. Irina Molodikova, Director of Migration seminar program, CEU, Budapest

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

- **Working Session II: Immigration to the European Union from the OSCE area**

Moderator: Mr. Eero Vuohula, OSCE and Council of Europe Unit, Directorate General for External Relations of the European Commission

Rapporteur: Mr. Jorn Beisert, Permanent Mission of the federal Republic of Germany to the OSCE

- **Working Session III: Migration within and from South Eastern Europe**

Moderator: Mr. Bart Laan, Expert, Migration Issues, Stability Pact / MARRI

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

- Reconvening in Plenary Format after 90 minutes : Reports on the Working Sessions
- General discussion

16.30 – 17.00 *Coffee break*

17.00 **Closing Session** (open to Press)

- Presentations of the preliminary conclusions and suggestions for action and follow up by the OSCE and its participating States
- Closing remarks