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19TH OSCE ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM

"Promotion of common actions and co-operation in the OSCE area in the fields of development of sustainable energy and transport"

CONCLUDING MEETING

Prague, 14 – 16 September 2011

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

AGENDA

Wednesday, 14 September 2011

14.30 – 16.00 **Opening Plenary Session** (open to the press)

Moderator: Mr. Goran Svilanović, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Welcoming remarks:

- **H.E. Karel Schwarzenberg,** First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic
- H.E. Egidijus Meilūnas, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania, 2011 OSCE Chairmanship
- H.E. Ambassador Lamberto Zannier, OSCE Secretary General

Keynote addresses followed by discussion

 H.E. Jan Kubiš, UN Under Secretary General and Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)

16.00 – 16.30 Coffee/Tea break

16.30 – 18.00 Review of the implementation of OSCE commitments in the economic and environmental dimension

Moderator: Mr. Goran Svilanović, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Rapporteur: Ms. Alma Mirvić, National Planning and Co-Ordination Officer, OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina

- Presentation of the Review Report prepared by the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) by Mr. Scott Foster, Director of the Sustainable Energy Division, UNECE
- Discussion on the Review Report's main findings and recommendations

18:00 Side event on Tourism hosted by the Lithuanian 2011 OSCE Chairmanship

18.30 Reception hosted by the Lithuanian 2011 OSCE Chairmanship and 2011 Photo Contest Awards Ceremony

Thursday, 15 September 2011

Moderator: Mr. Jacquelin Ligot, Independent Energy and Infrastructure Expert,

Rapporteur: Mr. Raúl Daussa, Environmental Programme Officer, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (OCEEA), OSCE Secretariat

Panellists' interventions followed by discussion

Selected topics:

- Identifying specific areas and modalities of co-operation between the OSCE and other international and regional organizations in the field of sustainable energy
- Promoting energy efficiency and renewable energy sources, through a combination of smart policies, low-carbon energy technologies, shaping consumers' behaviour and fostering multi-stakeholder dialogue and co-operation, thus contributing to both sound economic development and addressing climate change
- Developing sustainable energy solutions at local level through community based projects leading, *inter alia*, to the eradication of energy poverty, improving social and economic conditions and achieving a balanced and equitable impact, including from a gender perspective
- Strengthening co-operation and exchange of information and best practices at subregional, regional and inter-regional level in addressing various aspects related to sustainable energy
- Promoting good governance, transparency and the exchange of best practices in the energy field, thus contributing to a more sustainable energy environment

Panellists:

- Ambassador André Mernier, Secretary General, Energy Charter Secretariat,
 Belgium
- **Mr. Slavtcho Neykov**, Director, Energy Community Secretariat, Austria
- Ms. Nabot Dodhudoeva, Head of NGO Taji "Maina va Khamkoron" Pamir,
 Tajikistan
- **Dr. Karin Kneissl**, Energy Expert and University lecturer, Vienna, Austria
- **Ms. Olga Andrianova**, Associate Lecturer, Faculty of Business and Law, The Open University, United Kingdom
- Mr. Nazim Mammadov, Head of the Department of Renewables Production and the Use Stimulation, State Agency on Alternative and Renewable Energy Sources (ABEMDA), Azerbaijan
- 11.30 12.00 Coffee/Tea break

12.00 – 13.00 Special Session I: Sustainable energy: solutions for the future

Moderator: Ambassador Audrius Brūzga, Director of Energy Security Centre under the MFA of Lithuania

Rapporteur: Mr. Geoffrey Collier, Second Secretary, United Kingdom Delegation to the OSCE in Vienna

Speakers' presentations followed by discussion

Selected topics:

- Promoting climate resilient energy policies
- Strengthening co-operation between origin, transit and consumer countries
- Charting the way forward for the OSCE engagement on energy

Speakers:

- Dr. Rabia Ferroukhi, Senior Programme Officer Policy Advisory Services and Capacity Building Division, International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), United Arab Emirates
- Dr. Volker Krey, Researcher, International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA), Austria
- Ms. Cristina Morales Clavijo, Head of Communications of Gorona del Viento El Hierro, Spain
- Mr. Miran Hrženjak, Director, Keter Group, Slovenia

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch break

14.30 – 16.30 Panel Debate II: Promotion of Sustainable Transport – the OSCE Contribution and Follow-up Ideas

Moderator: Mr. Anthony Pearce, Senior Advisor, Project for Development of Logistic Centers/Nodes in Central Asia, United Kingdom

Rapporteur: Mr. Roel Janssens, Economic Adviser, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (OCEEA), OSCE Secretariat

Panellists' interventions followed by discussion

Selected topics:

- Identifying specific areas and modalities of co-operation between the OSCE and other international and regional organizations in promoting sustainable transport
- Promoting sustainable, efficient and environmentally friendly transport solutions through a smart policy mix, clean and new technologies, energy efficiency and alternative energy solutions in transport, innovative management systems, as well as shaping users' behaviour
- Promoting good governance and exchange of best practices related to the reduction of barriers and simplification of border-crossing procedures, combating corruption in customs and border control agencies etc.
- Developing a common vision on regional and inter-regional co-operation and promoting the integration of transport networks across the OSCE region, including through efficient multi-modal and logistic solutions
- Encouraging public-private partnership and the involvement of the civil society in promoting sustainable transport
- Addressing gender issues related to the development of sustainable transport

Panellists:

- Mr. Algirdas Šakalys, Advisor to the Prime Minister, President of the East West Transport Corridor (EWTC) Association, Lithuania
- Ms. Eva Molnar, Director, Transport Division, UNECE, Switzerland
- **Mr. Gaozhang Zhu,** Director of Compliance and Facilitation, World Customs Organization (WCO), Belgium
- **Mr. Niall Leonard**, Directorate General for Mobility and Transport, European Commission, Belgium
- Mr. Umberto de Pretto, Deputy Secretary General, International Road Transport Union (IRU), Switzerland
- Mr. Alexander Veitch, Head of Sustainable Development, International Union of Railways (UIC), France
- Mr. Philip Blythe, Professor of Intelligent Transport Systems, University of Newcastle, United Kingdom

After the discussion:

Presentation on an example of best practice by

Ms. Maria Sack, LL.M. eur., Lawyer, Head of the Team for International Associations, German Railways, Germany, and

Mr André Hempel, Head of Sales/Marketing, Trans Eurasia Logistics Gmbh, Germany.

16.30 – 17.00 Coffee/Tea break

17.00 – 18.00 Special Session II: Maritime Co-operation in the OSCE area:

Transport and the Environment (Follow-up to the 16th OSCE Economic and Environmental Forum)

Moderator: Mr. Alexey Stukalo, Deputy Co-ordinator / Head, Economic Activities Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, OSCE Secretariat

Rapporteur: Ms. Caroline Donnellan, Attaché, Permanent Mission of Ireland to the OSCE

Speakers' presentations followed by discussion

Selected topics:

- Understanding the various linkages between maritime transportation and the environment and designing effective ways of addressing them
- Presentations of specific OSCE contributions, developed as follow-up to the 16th OSCE EEF, including examples from the field
- Strengthening regional and inter-regional co-operation and the exchange of experiences and best practices in promoting sustainable maritime transportation

Speakers:

- Mr. Jan Lundin, Director General, Council of the Baltic Sea States Secretariat,
 Sweden
- Mr. Richard Lisovsky, Head of Sector GIS Technologies Marine Aquatoriums and Coastal Zones, Scientific Center of Ecology of the Sea, Ukraine
- **Ms. Parvin Farshchi**, Manager, CaspEco Project, Caspian Environment Programme, Kazakhstan
- Mr. Antti Jokinen, Senior Adviser, Maritime activities, Baltic Sea Action Group,
 Finland

18.30 Reception hosted by the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Friday, 16 September 2011

09.30 - 11.30 Special Session III: Regional and sub-regional co-operation on sustainable energy and transport

Moderator: Mr. Vytautas Naudužas, Ambassador for energy and transport policy issues, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania, 2011 OSCE Chairmanship

Rapporteur: Mr. Tigran Sukiasyan, National Economic and Environmental Officer, OSCE Office in Yerevan

Speakers' presentations followed by discussion

Selected topics:

- Initiatives, experiences and best practices from various OSCE sub-regions in the fields of sustainable energy and transport
- Identifying concrete ways of building analytical capacity and further promoting crosssectoral and inter-regional dialogue and co-operation
- Developing synergies between the OSCE and other regional actors and strengthening the effectiveness of the OSCE as platform for dialogue and co-operation

Speakers:

- Ambassador Mohammed Yahya Maroofi, Secretary General, Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO), Iran
- Ambassador Václav Bartuska, Ambassador-at-Large for Energy Security,
 Czech Republic
- Ambassador Traian Chebeleu, Deputy Secretary General, Black Sea Economic Commission (BSEC), Turkey
- Ms. Marta Szigeti Bonifert, Executive Director, Regional Environmental Center (REC), Hungary
- Mr. Miroslav Kukobat, Senior Expert on Infrastructure and Energy, Regional Cooperation Council (RCC), Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Mr. Robert Peacock, Research Associate, School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University, United States of America

11.30 – 12:00 Coffee/Tea break

12:00 – 13.00 <u>Concluding Plenary Session – The role of the OSCE in follow-up to the 19th Economic and Environmental Forum</u>

Moderator: Mr. Goran Svilanović, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Rapporteur: Mr. Tomáš Lipták, Third Secretary, Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic to the OSCE

- General Discussion
- Closing Statement by Ambassador Renatas Norkus, Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council, 2011 OSCE Chairmanship