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#### 28thOSCE Economic and Environmental Forum

"Promoting security, stability and economic growth in the OSCE area by preventing and combating corruption through innovation, increased transparency and digitalization"

## FIRST PREPARATORY MEETING Vienna, 17-18February 2020

OSCE Congress Centre, Hofburg, Heldenplatz, 1010 Vienna

#### DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

Monday, 17 February 2020

**Opening Session** (*Neuer Saal, 2nd floor*)

Welcoming remarks:

- Ambassador Igli Hasani, Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council,
   Permanent Representative of Albania to the OSCE, 2020 OSCE Albanian
   Chairmanship
- Ambassador Thomas Greminger, OSCE Secretary General

**Moderator: Ambassador Igli Hasani,** Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Albania to the OSCE, 2020 OSCE Albanian Chairmanship

**Statements by Delegations / Discussion** 

**11:00 - 11:30** Coffee/Tea Break

# 11:30 - 13:00 Session I: Challenges and opportunities in preventing and combating corruption

## **Selected Topics:**

- Inter-agency cooperation and interaction between different levels of government in preventing and combating corruption
- Developing new and innovative anti-corruption strategies in the digital age
- Role of the OSCE as a platform for cooperation and exchange of new approaches to prevent corruption
- Exploration of economic and environmental challenges caused by the relationship between corruption and organized crime

### **Speakers:**

- Ms. Fjoralba Caka, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Justice, Albania
- Ms. Irene Charalambides, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Special Representative on Fighting Corruption
- Mr. Tim Steele, Senior Advisor, Corruption and Economic Crime Branch, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, UNODC
- Ms. Olga Savran, Manager, OECD Anti-Corruption Network (ACN),
   Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, OECD
- Ambassador Kathleen Kavalec, Head of Mission, OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina

**Moderator: Ambassador Sherzod Asadov**, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Uzbekistan to the International Organizations in Vienna

#### **Discussion**

#### **13:00 - 14:30** Lunch break

Side event – How does corruption feed the trafficking of natural resources? (Hofburg, Bibliotheksaal, 5<sup>th</sup> floor)

# 14:30 – 16:00 Session II: Preventing and combating corruption through digitalization and increased transparency

#### **Selected Topics:**

- Transparent procedures as a way to mitigate corruption risks
- Increased transparency as a way to promote corruption-free economic growth
- Effective frameworks to enhance use of digital tools in the area of egovernance

- Digital control systems, open and transparent budget and public procurement
- Good practices in promoting digital tools in anti-corruption efforts

#### **Speakers:**

- Ms. Reida Kashta, Director General, PPA, Public Procurement Agency, Albania
- Mr. Azad Jafarli, Chief of Administration, State Agency for Public Service and Social Innovations under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan
- Ms. Anar Zharova, Head, Prevention Department, Anti-Corruption Agency, Kazakhstan
- Mr. Azamat Razikov, Deputy Head, Department for Adoption of Information and Communications Technology and Data Protection, General Prosecutor's Office, Republic of Uzbekistan
- Dr. Wolfgang Heckenberger, Senior Competition Advisor, Siemens, Germany

**Moderator: Ambassador Gesa Bräutigam**, Head of Mission, Permanent Mission of Germany to the OSCE

#### Discussion

**16:00 - 16:30** Coffee/Tea Break

# 16:30 -18:00 Session III: Enhancing transparency through asset declarations and participatory approaches

#### **Selected Topics:**

- Innovative approaches to implementing AML/CFT measures to prevent corruption
- Importance of asset declaration as a means to prevent corruption and enhance economic growth
- Data privacy in asset declarations and beneficial ownership disclosure
- Best practice participatory approaches to the combating of corruption

### **Speakers:**

- Ms. Srbuhi Galyan, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Justice, Armenia
- Mr. Viktar Franskevich, Deputy Director, Financial Investigation Department, State Control Committee, Belarus
- Ms. Irina Popova, Deputy Head, Department for State Policies in the Sphere of State/Municipal Services and for Anti-corruption, Ministry of Labour, the Russian Federation

- Mr. Vladan Joksimovic, Head, Regional Anti-Corruption Initiative, RAI

**Moderator: Ambassador Barbara Žvokelj**, Permanent Representative, Permanent Representation of the Republic of Slovenia to the UN, OSCE and other International Organisations in Vienna

#### Discussion

### Reception hosted by the 2020 OSCE Albanian Chairmanship

(will follow immediately after the closing of the last Session in: Palmenhaus, Burggarten 1, 1010 Vienna)

### Tuesday, 18 February 2020

# 09:30 - 11:00 Session IV: Combating corruption by enhancing good environmental governance through transparency and innovation

#### **Selected Topics:**

- Transparency measures in management of natural resources and procurement in major infrastructure projects to reinforce business integrity and prevent damage to the environment
- Access to information and public and civil society monitoring of potential environmental risks
- Strengthening the legal frameworks and promoting voluntary initiatives through measures of communication, anti-corruption training and environmental education including the use of new technologies
- Good practices in promoting digital tools in anti-corruption efforts, related to environmental issues

#### **Speakers:**

- Ms. Nino Tandilashvili, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture, Georgia
- Ms. Brankica Cmiljanović, Head of the Directorate for Horizontal Legislation, Directorate of Environment, Ministry of Sustainable Development and Tourism, Montenegro
- Mr. Emmanuel Flahaut, Environmental Inspector, Project Manager, Development of Waste-Tracker, Ministry of Ecological Transition and Solidarity, France
- Ms. Lotte Feuerstein, Programme Manager, Regional Coordinator East Africa, Water Integrity Network, Switzerland

**Moderator: Ambassador Christine Fages**, Permanent Representative, Permanent Representation of France to the OSCE

#### **Discussion**

### **11:00 - 11:30** Coffee/Tea Break

## **11:30 - 12:30 Concluding Session**

## **Statements by Delegations**

## **Concluding Remarks**

- Keynote address: Professor Paola Severino, Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Corruption
- Ambassador Vuk Žugić, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
- Ms. Erida Dobrushi, Minister Plenipotentiary, Deputy Permanent Representative, 2020 OSCE Albanian Chairmanship

**Moderator: Ms. Erida Dobrushi**, Minister Plenipotentiary, Deputy Permanent Representative, 2020 OSCE Albanian Chairmanship