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# CONCLUDING MEETING OF THE 29th ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM

Promoting comprehensive security, stability and sustainable development in the OSCE area through women's economic empowerment

# **Opening plenary session (open to the press)**

1. <u>Date</u>: Thursday, 9 September 2021

Opened: 9.35 a.m. Closed: 11.35 a.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador U. Funered (Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent

Council) (Sweden) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

Agenda item 1: Opening session

- (a) Welcoming remarks
  - H.E. Ms. A. Linde, OSCE Chairperson-in-Office (EEF.DEL/75/21 OSCE+)
  - H.E. Mr. J. Kulhánek, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Czech Republic (EEF.DEL/52/21)
  - Ms. H. M. Schmid, OSCE Secretary General (EEF.GAL/12/21)
- (b) *Discussion*: Albania, Turkey, United States of America (EEF.DEL/58/21), Greece, Canada (EEF.DEL/51/21 OSCE+), Slovenia-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European

Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia, Moldova, Monaco, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (EEF.DEL/70/21), Russian Federation (EEF.DEL/45/21), Ireland (also on behalf of Albania, Andorra, Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, the Czech Republic, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, the United States of America, and Uzbekistan) (EEF.DEL/48/21 OSCE+), Holy See (EEF.DEL/46/21 OSCE+), Switzerland (EEF.DEL/65/21 OSCE+), Slovakia (EEF.DEL/55/21 OSCE+), Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina (EEF.DEL/68/21 OSCE+), Italy (EEF.DEL/60/21), United Kingdom, Norway (EEF.DEL/53/21), Armenia (EEF.DEL/63/21), Montenegro (EEF.DEL/49/21 OSCE+), Ukraine (EEF.DEL/61/21 OSCE+), Belarus (EEF.DEL/47/21 OSCE+), Kazakhstan (EEF.DEL/54/21/Rev.1 OSCE+), Portugal, Georgia

## 4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Thursday, 9 September 2021, at 11.30 a.m., in the plenary hall and via video teleconference

# The way to Stockholm

1. <u>Date</u>: Thursday, 9 September 2021

Opened: 12.05 p.m. Closed: 12.55 p.m.

2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador F. Raunig (Chairperson of the OSCE Economic and

Environmental Committee) (Austria) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

Agenda item 2: The Way to Stockholm

- (a) *Introduction*: Ms. C. Tamm, Deputy Head of Task Force, Swedish OSCE Chairpersonship
- (b) *Discussion*: Slovenia-European Union, France (EEF.DEL/50/21), Azerbaijan, Albania, Malta, Armenia (EEF.DEL/64/21), Turkey, Switzerland (EEF.DEL/66/21 OSCE+), Canada, Russian Federation, United Kingdom, Slovenia, Ms. C. Tamm (EEF.DEL/76/21 OSCE+)

## 4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Thursday, 9 September 2021, at 2.30 p.m., in the plenary hall and via video teleconference

1. <u>Date</u>: Thursday, 9 September 2021

Opened: 2.30 p.m. Closed: 3.50 p.m.

2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador F. Raunig (Chairperson of the OSCE Economic and

Environmental Committee) (Austria) (Moderator)

#### 3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

Agenda item 3: Promoting women's economic empowerment in the post-pandemic period for sustainable development and

economic recovery

- (a) Speakers
  - Ms. J. Reynoso, Gender Policy Council, White House, United States of America
  - Mr. K. Abdrakhmanov, OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities (EEF.GAL/14/21)
  - Ms. M. Ribič, Ministry of Labour, Family, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, Slovenia
  - Mr. A. Nikolla, Ministry of Health and Social Protection, Albania
  - Ms. S. Ronner-Grubačić, European Union ambassador for gender and diversity
- (b) Discussion: Moderator, OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Uzbekistan, Belgium,
  Ms. S. Ronner-Grubačić, Mr. A. Nikolla, Ms. M. Ribič, OSCE High
  Commissioner on National Minorities

#### 4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 9 September 2021, at 4.30 p.m., in the plenary hall and via video teleconference

# Plenary session II

1. Date: Thursday, 9 September 2021

Opened: 4.30 p.m. Closed: 6 p.m.

- 2. <u>Chairperson</u>: Ambassador H. Demirer (Turkey) (Moderator)
- 3. Subjects discussed Statements:

Agenda item 4: Promoting women's economic empowerment through policy formulation and implementation

- (a) Speakers
  - Ms. M. Artsiomenka, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Belarus (EEF.DEL/77/21)
  - Ms. B. Gyebnár, Ministry of Families, Hungary (EEF.DEL/74/21)
  - Ms. M. Xuereb, Malta Chamber of Commerce
  - Ms. G. Makhmudova, Business Women's Association of Uzbekistan
  - Ms. M. Harding, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (EEF.IO/2/21)
- (b) *Discussion*: Slovenia-European Union, Bulgaria, Eurasian Economic Commission, Bosnia and Herzegovina (EEF.DEL/69/21 OSCE+), Canada, North Macedonia, Ms. M. Harding, Ms. G. Makhmudova, Ms. M. Xuereb, Ms. B. Gyebnár, Ms. M. Artsiomenka

### 4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Friday, 10 September 2021, at 9.30 a.m., in the plenary hall and via video teleconference

# **Plenary session III**

1. <u>Date</u>: Friday, 10 September 2021

Opened: 9.30 a.m. Closed: 11.15 a.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador G. Bräutigam (Germany) (Moderator)

## 3. <u>Subjects discussed – Statements</u>:

Agenda item 5: Women's economic empowerment in all stages of life

- (a) Speakers
  - Ms. B. Janković, Commissioner for Protection of Equality of the Government, Serbia
  - Mr. O. Pyzhov, Ministry of Education and Science, Ukraine (EEF.DEL/73/21)
  - Mr. R. Teuten, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office,
    United Kingdom (EEF.DEL/62/21) (EEF.DEL/62/21/Add.1)
  - Ms. L. Simerská, Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Czech Republic (EEF.DEL/78/21)
  - Mr. E. Safarov, United Nations CEDAW Committee (EEF.DEL/56/21)
- (b) Discussion: Moderator, Ms. I. Mavlyankarieva (IT Park Uzbekistan), Slovenia-European Union, Ms. R. Sarsembayeva (Association of Business Women of Kazakhstan) (EEF.NGO/12/21 OSCE+), Ms. A. Batyrova (Batken Training Centre, Kyrgyzstan), Mr. E Safarov, Ms. L. Simerská, Mr. R. Teuten, Mr. O. Pyzhov, Ms. B. Janković

#### 4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

Friday, 10 September 2021, at 11.30 a.m., in the plenary hall and via video teleconference

# **Concluding plenary session**

1. <u>Date</u>: Friday, 10 September 2021

Opened: 11.45 a.m. Closed: 12.40 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador I. Hasani (Albania) (Moderator)

3. <u>Subjects discussed – Statements:</u>

Agenda item 6: Wrap-up discussion and presentation of the incoming 2022

Polish OSCE Chairmanship's priorities in the economic and

environmental dimension

- (a) Discussion: United States of America (EEF.DEL/59/21), Slovenia-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia; the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate country Bosnia and Herzegovina; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area; as well as Andorra, Georgia, Moldova, Monaco, San Marino and Ukraine, in alignment) (EEF.DEL/71/21), Canada (EEF.DEL/72/21 OSCE+), Switzerland, Azerbaijan, United Kingdom
- (b) *Concluding remarks* 
  - H.E. Mr. M. Przydacz, Undersecretary of State for Security, the Americas, Asia and Eastern Policy, Poland (EEF.DEL/57/21 OSCE+)
  - Mr. V. Žugić, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (EEF.GAL/13/21)
  - Ambassador T. Lorentzson, Deputy Permanent Representative of Sweden to the OSCE

4. <u>Next meeting</u>:

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Chairmanship: Poland