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**“Promoting economic progress and security in the OSCE area
through innovation, human capital development, and good public
and corporate governance”**

SECOND PREPARATORY MEETING

**Venice, 24-25 May 2018
Scuola Grande San Giovanni Evangelista
San Polo 2454, 30125 Venice**

DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

Thursday, 24 May 2018

09:30 - 11:00 Opening Session

Welcoming Remarks

- **Ambassador Vinicio Mati**, Italian 2018 OSCE Chairmanship Coordinator
- **Ambassador Vuk Žugić**, Co-Ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Keynote Speakers

- **Professor Paola Severino**, Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Corruption
- **Mr. Enzo Quattrocioche**, Secretary General, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

Moderator: Ambassador Alessandro Azzoni, Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Italy to the OSCE, 2018 OSCE Italian Chairmanship

Rapporteur: Ms. Giulia Manconi, Advisor for the Economic and Environmental Dimension, Permanent Mission of Italy to the OSCE, 2018 OSCE Italian Chairmanship

Statements by Delegations

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee/Tea Break

11:30 - 13:00 **Session I: Investment policies and promotion of favourable business climate to accelerate economic growth in the digital era**

Selected Topics:

- Good economic governance reforms to promote innovation and growth
- The role of the public sector and of the private sector in supporting economic growth
- Impact of digitalisation on investment and economic relations
- Innovative forms of entrepreneurship

Speakers:

- **Mr. Dzmitry Matusevich**, Deputy Minister of Economy, Republic of Belarus
- **Mr. Atanas Kolev**, Senior Economist, European Investment Bank (EIB)
- **Mr. Zviad Kvlividze**, Deputy Director, Enterprise Georgia, Georgia
- **Dr. Leena Iimola-Sheppard**, Senior Research Scholar, International Institute for Applied System Analysis (IIASA)

Moderator: Mr. Guido Romeo, Business Editor, WIRED Italia

Rapporteur: Mr. Jonas Grätz, Economic Adviser, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Discussion

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch hosted by the Italian 2018 OSCE Chairmanship

14:30 - 16:00 **Session II: Human capital development as an essential factor for economic security, growth, development and competitiveness**

Selected Topics:

- The impact of demography on economic productivity and growth
- Investing in human capital to strengthen economic security and competitiveness
- The impact of digitalisation on the labour market
- Public-private cooperation and partnership

Speakers:

- **Ambassador Elnur Sultanov**, Ambassador-at-Large, Secretary General of the National Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan for UNESCO, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Azerbaijan
- **Ms. Irina Akinshina**, Human Resources Director, Lukoil International Trading and Supply Company, Russian Federation
- **Ms. Melina Schneider**, Adviser, Austrian Federal Economic Chamber, WKÖ, Austria
- **Ms. Chiara Criscuolo**, Senior Economist, Structural Policy Division, Science Technology and Innovation Directorate, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

Moderator: Ambassador Roksanda Ninčić, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Serbia to the OSCE and other International Organizations in Vienna

Rapporteur: Ms. Clodagh Quain, Attaché, Permanent Mission of Ireland to the OSCE

Discussion

16:00 - 16:30 Coffee/Tea Break

16:30 -18:00 **Session III: Building knowledge, skills and competences in the digital era**

Selected topics:

- Approaches to education from early childhood to life-long learning
- Ensuring the circulation of skills and young talents
- Women in “Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics” (STEM)
- Addressing the educational and digital divide

Speakers:

- **Ms. Larisa Aganesova**, Senior Economist, Department of Financing and Economic Analysis, Ministry of Education, Turkmenistan
- **Ms. Daniela Battisti**, International Affairs, Department for Digital Transformation, Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Italy
- **Ms. Žydrūnė Vitaitė**, Founder of Women Go Tech Initiative, Lithuania
- **Ms. Serena Galizia**, STEM Policy Lead, Department for Equal Opportunities, Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Italy
- **Ms. Dildora Khamidova**, Consultant to UN Women Kyrgyzstan, former Executive Director of NGO “Center for Multicultural and Multilingual Education”, former Alumna of the OSCE Academy in Bishkek

Moderator: Ambassador Päivi Laivola de Rosière, Permanent Representative of Finland to the OSCE

Rapporteur: Ms. Brigitte Krech, Economic and Environmental Affairs Adviser, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Discussion

19:00 Social Event hosted by the 2018 OSCE Italian Chairmanship
Address: Hotel Ca' Sagredo, Campo Santa Sofia 4198/99, Ca'D'Oro

Friday, 25 May 2018

09:30 - 11:00 **Session IV: Promoting security through social equity**

Selected Topics:

- New forms of employment in the digital era and their impact on productivity and growth
- Impact of digitalisation on welfare policies
- Measures to improve youth employment opportunities and social and working conditions
- Social entrepreneurship as a contributing factor to sustainable development

Speakers:

- **Mr. Riccardo Graziano**, Secretary General, National Institute for Microcredit, Italy
- **Ms. Uma Rani Amara**, Senior Development Economist, International Labour Organization (ILO)
- **Dr. Edward Gonzalez**, Director, General Development Office, USAID Mission in Skopje
- **Ms. Enrica Arena**, Co-Founder, Start-up company Orange Fiber, Italy

Moderator: Mr. Riccardo Pozzi, Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Youth and Security

Rapporteur: Ms. Katarina Andrić, Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary General, OSCE

Discussion

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee/Tea Break

11:30 - 13:00 **Session V: Strengthening good public and corporate governance through transparency and accountability**

Selected Topics:

- Promoting good governance and a culture of integrity in public and private sectors
- Sound public financial management
- The role of the private sector in promoting good governance and fighting corruption
- Approaches to improve corporate social responsibility and accelerate social entrepreneurship

Speakers:

- **Mr. Alessandro Messina**, Director General, Banca Etica, Italy
- **Ms. Michelle Lakomy**, United States Department of Justice, Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development Assistance and Training, U.S. Embassy
- **Mr. Holger Dreiseitl**, Deputy Head of Department for Business and Human Rights, Federal Foreign Office, Germany

Moderator: Ambassador Ioannis Vrailas, Permanent Representative to the OSCE, European Union Delegation to the International Organisations in Vienna

Rapporteur: Ms. Iris Pilika, Programme Officer, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Discussion

13:00 - 13:30 **Closing Session**

Concluding Remarks

- **Ambassador Vinicio Mati**, Italian 2018 OSCE Chairmanship Coordinator
- **Ambassador Vuk Žugić**, Co-Ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

Rapporteur: Mr. Anthony Myers, First Secretary, Directorate-General for Political Affairs and Security, Office for the OSCE, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy

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