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26th OSCE Economic and Environmental Forum

FIRST PREPARATORY MEETING "Promoting economic progress and security in the OSCE area through innovation, human capital development, and good public and corporate governance"

Vienna, 22 - 23 January 2018

LOGISTICAL MODALITIES

VENUE

OSCE Congress Centre, Hofburg, Heldenplatz, 1010 Vienna (map Annex 1) Neuer Saal, 2nd floor.

PARTICIPANTS' INFORMATION

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High-level and senior officials from participating States, responsible for shaping international economic and environmental policy in the OSCE area, representatives of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly and the Partners for Co-operation as well as OSCE Field Operations are invited to participate.

Representatives of international organizations, expert academics and business representatives, nongovernmental organizations with relevant experience in the area under discussion will participate in the meeting, according to the Decision of the OSCE Permanent Council (PC.DEC/1263/17).

No fee for participation is requested.

WORKING MODUS OF PLENARY SESSIONS

The Preparatory Meeting is scheduled in plenary sessions. It should stimulate a free-flowing discussion out of which recommendations to the OSCE and its participating States should emerge. The recommendations will be taking into consideration during the deliberations of the Forum's Concluding Meeting, taking place in Prague from 5 to 7 September 2018.

The PLENARY SESSIONS (Neuer Saal, 2nd floor) will have presentations of expert speakers followed by discussions. A moderator will facilitate the debates and a rapporteur will summarize the key issues discussed.

DOCUMENT DISTRIBUTION

Participants are welcome to submit written contributions reflecting their views on the issues and topics proposed for discussions.

Please send an electronic copy of the paper in advance to the Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (Ms. Brigitte Krech, E-mail: <u>brigitte.krech@osce.org</u>, Fax. + 43 1 514 36 6251; Tel. + 43 1 514 36 6619) to enable a timely distribution to the participants.

All documents will be published on the Forum Website: <u>http://www.osce.org/event/26th_eef_prep</u>1 and a very limited amount of hard copies of the documents made available at the venue. Further copies can be produced ad hoc at the Meeting Venue upon request at the **Document Distribution Desk** (lobby in front of the Neuer Saal). Documents should be provided to this Desk in electronic format (documents@osce.org).

The Consolidated Summary of the Meeting will be published on the OSCE EEForum conference website (<u>http://www.osce.org/event/26th_eef_prep1</u>) shortly after the event.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR SPEAKERS

Speakers are kindly requested to send a **short bio** (with photo) and an **electronic copy of their presentation in advance** to the Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities **no later than 11 January 2018** (**Ms. Brigitte Krech**, E-mail: **brigitte.krech@osce.org**, Fax. + 43 1 514 36 6251; Tel. + 43 1 514 36 6619) and to take <u>an electronic copy of their presentation</u> (on a USB stick) *as back-up* to the Meeting.

Requests for technical support should be addressed **well in advance** to the OSCE Conference Services (Ms. Elke Lidarik, E-mail: <u>elke.lidarik@osce.org</u>;).

The Plenary Hall "Neuer Saal" at the venue is equipped with technical facilities for multi-format presentations, including power point, large screen, projectors, and laptops. Presentations may be sent well in advance to elke.lidarikosce.org for uploading to the presentation equipment. Presentaters having their presentations on USB stick are kindly requested to refer to the technician present during the meeting in the meeting room.

INTERPRETATION

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English and Russian during the plenary sessions.

REGISTRATION & ACCREDITATION

DEADLINE: MONDAY, 15 JANUARY 2018

REGISTRATIONS: only registered participants will be granted access to the venue (Hofburg).

<u>Please contact</u> the Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities to request a registration form (andrea.gredler@osce.org)

In addition to the registration forms, <u>Delegations</u> should notify the ranking and the title of their members by sending an e-mail to elke.lidarik@osce.org.

ACCREDITATION will take place at the Conference Venue (Congress Centre Hofburg, Heldenplatz, 1010

Vienna), at the accreditation counter located in a temporary structure to the left of the entrance on Heldenplatz, on:

Monday, 22 January, as of 8.00 am until the end of the meeting Tuesday, 23 January, as of 9.00 am until the end of the meeting

Advanced registration is kindly requested in order to avoid delays in issuing the badges. Presentation of a valid ID is required for accreditation. The badge will be required to access the Conference Hall.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

PC WORKING STATIONS & INTERNET ACCESS (Wifi)

will be available for the participants (lobby in front of the Neuer Saal and in the Cafeteria area). <u>Telephones</u> in the meeting area can be used free-of-charge only for <u>local telephone</u> calls within Vienna.

<u>COFFEE/ TEA BREAKS</u> will be provided in the Foyer next to "Neuer Saal" throughout the duration of the conference.

A <u>LUNCH</u> is hosted by the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities on 22 January 2018, in the afore mentioned Foyer.

Several restaurants are located in walking distance of the conference venue.

SOCIAL EVENT

The Italian Chairmanship will host a reception on Monday, 22 January 2018 at 18:30. Invitations will be provided to the registered participants.

VISA

Participants, if stipulated under the Austrian law, are asked to make their own arrangements for securing a visa for entry into Austria. Further details can be found on <u>www.bmeia.gv.at</u>.

In case a letter of confirmation of participation for visa requirements is needed, please arrange for visa appointment and send the for visa support letter together with information on the date as well as a copy of the passport by E-mail to <u>elke.lidarik@osce.org</u>.

HOTELS IN VIENNA

Please consult the list of hotels in Vienna in Annex 3 Practical information about Vienna can be found at: <u>http://www.hotels-austria.com/vienna-info/wien-practrestaurants.htm</u> City map with address finder: <u>http://www.wien.gv.at/stadtplan/suche.asp?lang=en</u>

GENERAL INFORMATION

Currency: Euro

Electric current: The standard voltage throughout Austria is 220V.

Insurance: The organizing committee is not responsible for the loss of property and personal injury, including insurance certificates for such cases.

Medical help: A first aid room is located on the ground floor of the Hofburg/conference venue.

⇒ **Time**: Vienna time differs from Greenwich time by + 1 hour.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Liability - insurance:

To the full extent permitted under applicable law, neither the OSCE or any of its officials, employees or other representatives shall be liable for loss or damage, however caused, arising out of or in connection with the participation in this conference. This is a comprehensive limitation of liability that applies to damages of any kind, including, without limitation, personal injury, loss of, or damage to, property and claims of third parties.

CONTACTS AT THE OSCE SECRETARIAT

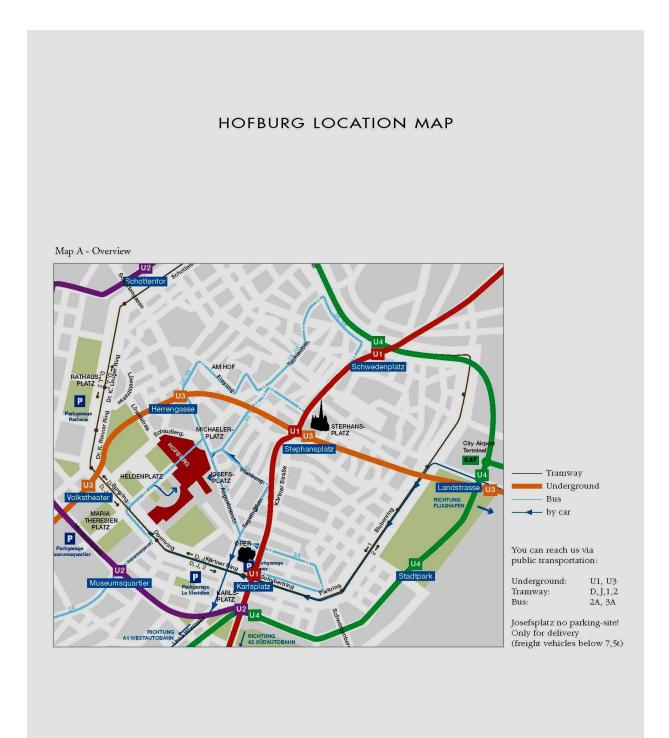
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Hotel BRISTOL	reservations.imperialvienna@luxurycollection.com	€ 235 breakfast € 37
	www.schick-hotels.com	€ 86-116/€ 124-159
Best Western Hotel ERZHERZOG RAINER	rainer@schick-hotels.com	incl breakfast
Hotel CITY CENTRAL Wien	www.schick-hotels.com	€ 86-116/€ 124-159
	city.central@schick-hotels.com	incl breakfast
NH BELVEDERE	www.nh-hotels.com	€ 85/€ 105
		incl breakfast
NH DANUBE CITY	www.nh-hotels.com	€ 85/€ 105
	www.falkensteiner.com/en/hotel/schottenfeld	incl breakfast € 95-145
Hotel AM SCHOTTENFELD	reservierung.wien@falkensteiner.com	incl breakfast
	www.schick-hotels.com	€ 102-137/€ 141-186
Hotel STEFANIE Wien	sabine.pollak@schick-hotels.com	incl breakfast
	www.nh-hotels.com	
NH DANUBE CITY	vip.reservierungen@nh-hotels.com	€ 101/€ 121
	booking code: OSCE 1	incl breakfast
Hotel WIEN MARGARETEN	www.falkensteiner.com/en/hotel/margareten	€ 105-135
	reservierung.wien@falkensteiner.com	incl breakfast
Hotel CAPRICORNO Wien	www.schick-hotels.com	€ 106-146/€ 152-194
	capricorno@schick-hotels.com	incl breakfast
Hotel AM PARKRING Wien	www.schick-hotels.com	€ 119-159/€ 168-215
	parkring@schick-hotels.com	incl breakfast € 128/€ 128
NH WIEN AIRPORT	www.nh-hotels.com	€ 128/€ 128 breakfast € 20.00
		€ 129/€ 174,
Best Western Hotel KAISERHOF Vienna	www.hotel-kaiserhof.at/wien code: CORP2017	e 129/e 174, business € 149/194
	reservation@hotel-kaiserhof.at	incl breakfast
	www.herrenhof-wien.steigenberger.at	superior € 158/178
Hotel HERRENHOF	reservation@herrenhof-wien.steigenberger.at	deluxe € 178/198
	booking code: CINDFL	incl breakfast
	www.vienna.park.hyatt.com	€ 250/€ 250
Hotel HYATT Regency	reservations.vienna@hyatt.com	e 250/e 250 breakfast € 35
	company code CR89345	
Hotel VIENNA MARRIOTT	www.viennamarriott.at/com	€ 193/€ 193
	vienna.reservations@marriott.at	incl breakfast
ARCOTEL	www.arcotelhotels.com/Kaiserwasser	€ 95/€ 117 incl breakfast
Am Kaiserwasser ARCOTEL	reservation.veinna@arcotelhotels.com www.arcotelhotels.com/Donauzentrum	€ 87/€ 92
Donauzentrum	reservation.veinna@arcotelhotels.com	incl breakfast
ARCOTEL	www.arcotelhotels.com/Wimberger	€ 79/€ 94
Wimberger	reservation.veinna@arcotelhotels.com	incl breakfast
		€ 150
Hotel GRAND FERDINAND	www.grandferdinand.com reservations@grandferdinand.com	incl breakfast
Hotel ANATOL	reservierung.anatol@austria-trend.at	€ 93 /€ 109
		incl breakfast
Hotel ASTORIA	reservierung.astoria@austria-trend.at	€ 137 /€ 154
		incl breakfast
Hotel EUROPA WIEN	reservierung.europa@austria-trend.at	€ 137 /€ 154
Hotel RATHAUSPARK	reservierung.rathauspark@austria-trend.at	incl breakfast € 124 /€ 140
		incl breakfast
		€ 128 /€ 151
Hotel SAVOYEN VIENNA	reservierung.savoyen@austria-trend.at	incl breakfast
		€ 91 /€ 107
Hotel ANANAS	reservierung.ananas@austria-trend.at	incl breakfast
	reservierung.theresianum@austria-trend.at	€ 86 /€ 102
Hotel BEIM THERESIANUM	reserverung.theresianum@austria-trend.at	incl breakfast
Hotel DOPPIO	reservierung.doppio@austria-trend.at	€ 91 /€ 107
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Hotel MESSE PRATER WIEN	reservierung.messe@austria-trend.at	€ 91 /€ 107
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