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“Promoting security and stability in the OSCE area through sustainable economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic”

SECOND PREPARATORY MEETING

Łódź, Poland, 23-24 May 2022

Blended Format

Venue: Doubletree by Hilton, Łódź

Online: Via Zoom

ANNOTATED AGENDA

Monday, 23 May 2022

09:30 - 11:00 Opening Session

Welcoming remarks

- **H.E. Prof. Zbigniew Rau**, OSCE Chairman-in-Office, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Poland
- **H.E. Helga Maria Schmid**, OSCE Secretary General

Keynote speech

- **H.E. Mr. Ruslan Strilets**, Minister of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources, Ukraine

Opening remarks

- **Mr. Sławomir Mazurek**, Vice-President of the Management Board of the National Fund for Environmental Protection and Water Management, Poland
- **Mr. Nick Bridge**, Foreign Secretary’s Special Representative for Climate Change, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, United Kingdom
- **Dr. Hinrich Thölken**, Ambassador, Special Advisor for International Climate and Energy Policy, Federal Foreign Office, Germany

Moderator: Mr. Paweł Kotowski, Plenipotentiary of the Minister of Foreign Affairs for Poland’s OSCE Chairmanship 2022

Statements by Delegations

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

11:30 - 13:00 **Session I: Environmental protection and sustainable use of natural resources in support of green growth**

Selected Topics:

- Promoting good environmental governance to support green economic growth and reduce the impact of man-made and natural disasters
- Strengthening co-operation to reduce environment-related security risks
- Protecting the environment and preserving the ecological balance in the use and management of natural resources
- Collaborative approaches with the private sector, civil society, and academia to conduct environmental research and technology development

Moderator: Mr. Remigiusz Nowakowski, President of the Management Board, The Lower Silesian Institute for Energy Studies (DISE), Poland

Speakers:

- **Mr. Ilir Bejtja**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, Albania
- **Prof. Anita Ramasastry**, Special Representative of the OSCE Chairman-in-Office on Combating Corruption
- **Mr. Jan Tytgat**, Director Government Affairs EU, Umicore, Belgium
- **Ms. Mary Gaerty**, Joint Managing Director, Green Skip Services Ltd, Malta
- **Mr. Viktor Novikov**, Project Development and Management Central Asia, Zoï Environment Network

Discussion

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch hosted by the Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, Hall V, Doubletree by Hilton, Łódź

14:30 - 16:00 **Session II: Greening the economy through co-operation in the fields of energy efficiency and renewable energy**

Selected Topics:

- Best practices to promote a cleaner and resilient energy future
- Scaling up the commercial development of renewable energy sources to increase energy security in the OSCE area
- The role of public policy and partnerships with the private sectors, civil society, and academia in supporting large-scale use of

renewable energy and energy diversity as contributors to long-term climate-neutral energy sustainability

- Digitalization and innovation as key drivers for energy diversification, renewable energy development, and greater energy efficiency

Moderator: Ambassador Florian Raunig, Permanent Representative of Austria to the OSCE, Chair of the Economic and Environmental Committee

Speakers:

- **Ms. Anna Strzaska**, Head of Division of the Green Transition Division, European External Action Service (EEAS)
- **Mr. Daulet Zakaryanov**, Head of Division of Implementation and Monitoring of Renewable Energy Facility, Department of Renewable Energy Sources, Ministry of Energy, Kazakhstan
- **Ms. Sarah Orndorff**, Expert in civil nuclear cooperation in the Office of Nuclear Energy, Safety and Security, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation, U.S. Department of State
- **Mr. Tabriz Ammayev**, Deputy Director, State Agency for Renewable Energy Sources (AREA), Ministry of Energy, Azerbaijan
- **Ms. Juliane Arriens**, Researcher, Mobility Unit, Reiner Lemoine Institute, Germany

Discussion

16:00 -16:30 Coffee/ Tea Break

16:30 -18:00 **Session III: Pathways towards a “Green and sustainable recovery”**

Selected topics:

- Policy responses for sustainable and green economic recovery
- Strategies and existing models for harnessing climate neutrality, and resource efficiency
- Using science and technology, and encouraging innovation for sustainable development and green recovery
- Growth pathways to achieve low-carbon and climate-resilient economies

Moderator: Ms. Suna Julia Park, Deputy Director, State Unitary Enterprise Tourist and Recreational Zone “Charvak” under the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan

Speakers:

- **Mr. David Advadze**, Head of Sustainable Development Division, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development, Georgia

- **Ms. Wanda Buk**, Vice-President for Regulatory Affairs, Management Board of the PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna S.A, Poland
- **Ms. Marta Kaprāle**, Representative of Latvia Investment and Development Agency and mission “Sea2030” team, Latvia
- **Dr. Kira Vinke**, Head of Center for Climate and Foreign Policy, German Council on Foreign Relations, Germany
- **Prof. Jon D. Unruh**, Director, African Field Studies Semester Department of Geography, McGill University, Canada

Discussion

18:30 Reception hosted by the 2022 OSCE Polish Chairmanship, 1st floor, Doubletree by Hilton, Łódź

Tuesday 24 May 2022

09:00 - 10:30 **Session IV: Digital and technological innovations to accelerate green growth in the OSCE area**

Selected Topics:

- Digitalization for green growth, energy diversity, and climate resilience
- Technological solutions to reduce the environmental footprint of economic and energy-related activities and reverse the long-term consequences of man-made and natural disasters.
- Innovation, financing and partnerships in climate adaptation and mitigation technologies
- Policy and legislative measures that support green growth and job creation

Moderator: Ms. Iga Pocztarek-Tofil, Deputy Director of the Department of International Affairs, Ministry of Climate and Environment, Poland

Speakers:

- **Ms. Celia García-Baños**, Programme Officer at International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)
- **Mr. Korioun Khatchadourian**, Managing Director, "Children of Armenia Fund", Armenia
- **Mr. Ben Barry**, Senior Fellow, The International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS), United Kingdom
- **Mr. Seyitguly Bayseyidov**, Head of Turkmenbashi International Seaport, Turkmenistan

Discussion

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee/Tea Break

11:00 -12:00 **Closing Session**

Statements by Delegations / Discussion

Concluding remarks

- **Ambassador Igli Hasani**, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities
- **Mr. Sebastian Barkowski**, Special Envoy for International Climate and Energy Cooperation, Ministry of Climate and Environment, Poland

Moderator: Ambassador Igli Hasani, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities