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VIENNA FORUM: PROMOTING EU INVESTMENTS IN BELARUS

Organised by the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber (WKO) with the support of the European Union and Belarus

Venue: Austrian Federal Economic Chamber | Hall 6 | Wiedner Hauptstraße 63, 1040 Vienna
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Tuesday, 24.05.2016 Morning

9.00 am – 10.00 am REGISTRATION

10.00 am – 10.45 am OPENING KEYNOTE SPEECHES

Christoph LEITL

President of the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber and Honorary President of Eurochambres

Johannes HAHN

Commissioner in charge of European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations, European Commission

Vasily MATYUSHEVSKY

First Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Belarus

Alain PILLOUX

Vice President, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

Host: **Michael ANGERER**, Regional Manager, Eastern Europe/Central Asia, ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA, Austrian Federal Economic Chamber (WKO)



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10.45 am – 11.30 am **SESSION 1: INVESTMENT CLIMATE IN THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS: INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Why should EU companies invest in Belarus and where?

Natalia NIKANDROVA

Director, National Investment and Privatization Agency of the Republic of Belarus

How does the EU support companies and business support organisations in Belarus? – East Invest activities in Belarus

Dirk VANTYGHEM

Director Operations, Eurochambres, East Invest

How can the Central European Initiative help with EU investments in Belarus?

Margot KLESTIL-LÖFFLER

Ambassador, Alternate Secretary General, Central European Initiative (CEI)

Q & A

Host: Vladimir ULAKHOVICH, Vice-President, Belarus Chamber of Commerce and Industry

11.30 am – 11.45 am **COFFEE BREAK**

11.45 am – 12.30 pm **SESSION 2: SUCCESS STORIES OF EUROPEAN BUSINESS IN BELARUS**

TELEKOM AUSTRIA – VELCOM: Helmut Duhs, CEO

PURE ENERGY Ireland: Torsten Merkel, CEO

SALAMANDER INDUSTRIE PPRODUKTE GmbH: Peter Kogge

PISEC GROUP GmbH: Karl Heinz Pisek, CEO

Host: Andrew WROBEL, Chief Editor of “Emerging Europe”

12.30 pm – 13.45 pm

PANEL: BANKING SECTOR

CHAIR (INTRODUCTION):

- Katarína MATHERNOVÁ, Deputy Director General, Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations, European Commission

PANEL: INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)

MODERATOR:

- Valery Virkouski, Infopark, Director for Cooperation with the EU and Eastern Partner countries

INTRODUCTION:

- Arkady DOBKIN, EPAM Systems, CEO and co-founder

PANEL: ENVIRONMENT-FRIENDLY CONSTRUCTION

CHAIR (INTRODUCTION):

- Sergey MASHONSKY, Arzinger & Partners

PANELISTS:

- Kiril KOROTEEV, dep. DG, Industrial Park

PANELISTS:

- Sergei KALECHITS, Dep.Chairman, National Bank of Belarus
- Ivan VARENITSA, Dep.Chairman, Development Bank of Belarus
- Sergey KOSTYUCHENKO, Priorbank JSC, CEO
- Nikollay VAVOKHIN, Belarusbank
- Andrei DZHUMKOV, Belinvestbank

PANELISTS:

- Vladimir BASKO, Infopark Association, Director General
- Andrey BOGOMOLOV, Belarus High-Tech Park, Entrepreneur and Software Engineer
- Arkady DOBKIN, EPAM Systems, CEO and co-founder
- Roman HIMMLER, Kapsch Traffic Com, Area Manager
- Dmitry SHEDKO, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Communications and Informatization of the Republic of Belarus (tbc)
- Peter Weber WEBER, Board Member of ITAS Association, Head of Digital Transformation Working Group in DIGITALEUROPE (tbc)

Development Co:

- Fedor KOLONCHUK, Head of Administration, "BREST" FEZ
- Ekman (tbc)
- Olga Sherbina, IFC (tbc)

13.45 pm – 14.30 pm NETWORKING LUNCH

14.30 pm – 17.00 pm BUSINESS-TO-BUSINESS AND BUSINESS-TO-GOVERNMENT MEETINGS
(on the spot meetings)
