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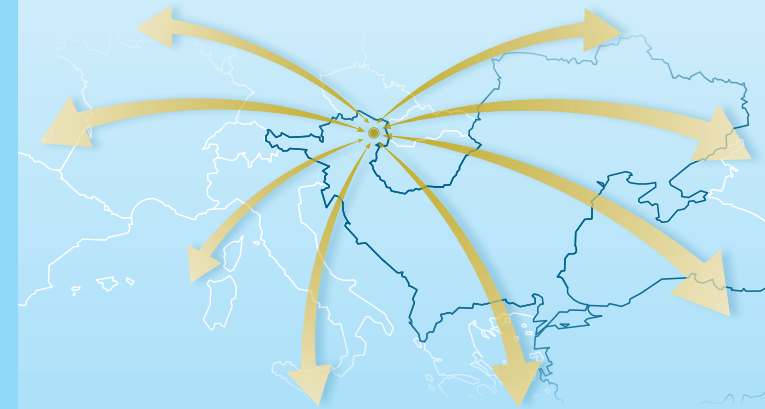
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INVESTMENTS AS A MOTOR
FOR COMPETITIVENESS AND GROWTH

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PROGRAM

MONDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 2015

	LOCATION Palais Niederösterreich, Herrengasse 13, 1010 Vienna	
8:30–9:15 a.m.	REGISTRATION and COFFEE	DenizBank AG 
9:15 a.m.	FAMILY PHOTO [by invitation]	
9:30–10:00 a.m.	OPENING of 12th Vienna Economic Forum – Vienna Dialogue 2015	
	Moderation Amb. Dr. Elena KIRTICHEVA, Member of the Board, Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum	
	Welcome Addresses H.E. Werner FAYMANN, Federal Chancellor of the Republic of Austria, Patron of Vienna Economic Forum Mag. Othmar KARAS, Member of the European Parliament	
	Official Opening Dr. Erhard BUSEK, President of Vienna Economic Forum, Former Vice Chancellor of the Republic of Austria	
10:00–12:00 a.m.	FIRST OPENING SESSION	
	HOW CAN EUROPE GROW? CAN BANKS STIMULATE GROWTH? INVESTMENTS AS A MOTOR. HOW TO CREATE JOBS – REGIONAL, SUB-REGIONAL AND EUROPE-WIDE? IS A COMMON REGIONAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY POSSIBLE?	
	Moderation Dr. Herbert STEPIC, Senior Advisor, Raiffeisen Bank International AG, Honorary Member of Vienna Economic Forum	
	Main Statement Ms. Bernadette GIERLINGER, Vice Minister, Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Economy of Austria	
	Participants in the Discussion H.E. Mr. Arben AHMETAJ, Minister of Economy of Albania Mr. Holger MUEENT, Director for Western Balkans, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) H.E. Mr. Furkan CAKO, Minister for Foreign Investments of Macedonia	

	Mr. Fei CHEN, Chairman, Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC) Europe S.A. , Luxembourg Ms. Hykmete BAJRAMI, Minister of Trade and Industry of Kosovo Dr. Ognian DONEV, CEO, Sopharma AD, Bulgaria, Vice-President of Vienna Economic Forum Ms. Gülsum AZERI CEO, OMV Petrol Ofisi, Turkey DI Peter UMUNDUM, Member of the Board of Oesterreichische Post AG, Austria, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum Ms. Flavia PALANZA, Director of Central and South Eastern Europe, European Investment Bank (EIB) Mr. Nikolay TSENKOV, Member of the Board of Directors, National Company Industrial Zones, Bulgaria, Member of Vienna Economic Forum Dr. Dragan KOSTIC, CEO, Free Zone Pirot, Serbia
	Q AND A SESSION with the Audience (led by the Moderator)

12:00–1:00 p.m.	Get together LUNCH BUFFET hosted by the Board of Vienna Economic Forum and the Representation of the European Commission in Vienna	
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1:00–3:00 p.m.	ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION INVESTMENT AS A MOTOR FOR COMPETITIVENESS AND GROWTH. THE EUROPEAN WAY IN A MORE PRAGMATIC ASPECT. VISIONS AND INVESTORS RESPONSE WORLD-WIDE.
	Moderation Mr. Aleksandar MEDJEDOVIC, Executive Board Member, Turkish-German Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Berlin/Germany; Board Member, Foreign Economic Relations Board of Turkey (DEIK), Strategic Partner of Vienna Economic Forum
	Main Statement H.E. Kristalina GEORGIEVA, Vice-President of the European Commission, European Commissioner for Budget and Human Resources
	Participants in the Discussion H.E. Niko PELESHI, Deputy Prime Minister of Albania DI Dr. Günther RABENSTEINER, Member of the Board, VERBUND AG, Austria, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

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	Dr. Gabriel LANSKY, Partner, LANKSY, GANZGER + partner, Austria, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum Mr. Emmanuel FOREST, CEO, BOUYGUES EUROPE, Belgium, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum Dr. Milan PARIVODIC, CEO, ForInvest, Serbia, Partner of Vienna Economic Forum
	Q AND A SESSION with the Audience (led by the Moderator)

3:00–3:30 p.m.	CONCLUSIONS followed by ANNUAL AWARD CEREMONY OF VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM	
	PARTNER COUNTRY OF THE YEAR 2015 COOPERATION PARTNER OF THE YEAR 2015	
	FAREWELL RECEPTION for all participants of the 12th Vienna Economic Forum, hosted by the Board of Vienna Economic Forum and Sopharma	
4:00–6:00 p.m.	POSSIBILITIES FOR BILATERAL MEETINGS for VEF Members	
6:00 p.m.	END of 12th Vienna Economic Forum – VIENNA DIALOGUE 2015	