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16th VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM

VIENNA FUTURE DIALOGUE 2019

Economy meets Politics

From Planned Economy to Market Economy
30 Years after the Fall of the Iron Curtain

18 November 2019
Novomatic Forum
Friedrichstraße 7
1010 Vienna



Working Language: German and English
Simultaneous Translation will be provided

PROGRAMME

SUNDAY, 17 NOVEMBER 2019

LOCATION

Hotel Imperial
Kärntner Ring 16, 1015 Vienna

6:00–8:00 p.m. **WELCOME COCKTAIL (by personal invitation)**

hosted by the Board of
Vienna Economic Forum
and Verbund AG



Opening Words by

Mr. Vlastimir Golubović, *President of the Chamber
of Economy of Montenegro*

MONDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 2019

LOCATION

Novomatic Forum
Friedrichstraße 7, 1010 Vienna

8:30–9:30 a.m. **REGISTRATION**9:20–9:30 a.m. **FAMILY PHOTO (by invitation)**9:30–10:15 a.m. **OPENING of 16th Vienna Economic Forum –
VIENNA FUTURE DIALOGUE 2019**

Moderation

Dr. Sonja SAGMEISTER-BRANDNER
Autor and Journalist, ZIB 2, ORF

Opening

Amb. Dr. Elena KIRTICHEVA, *Member of the Board
Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum*

Mag. Harald NEUMANN, *CEO, NOVOMATIC AG*

Vice-President of Vienna Economic Forum

*Honorary Consul of Romania with consular district
Lower Austria*

DI Dr. Günther RABENSTEINER

President of Vienna Economic Forum

Representative of Verbund AG

Video Message

Ms. Kristalina GEORGIEVA, *Managing Director of the
International Monetary Fund (IMF)*

Impulse Statement

Dr. Heinz FISCHER, *Federal President (2004–2016)
of the Republic of Austria*

Patron of Vienna Economic Forum

Main Statement

H.E. Ms. Mariya GABRIEL, *European Commissioner
for Digital Economy and Society*

10:20–11:30 a.m. **WORKING SESSION**

**FROM PLANNED ECONOMY TO
MARKET ECONOMY – 30 YEARS AFTER THE FALL
OF THE IRON CURTAIN**

Moderation

DI Peter UMUNDUM

Member of the Board of Österreichische Post AG

Vice-President of Vienna Economic Forum

Main Statement

Dr. Liljana PAVLOVA, *Vice President of European*

Investment Bank (EIB), Former Minister of the

Bulgarian Presidency of the Council of the European

Union 2018

Participants in the Discussion

Mag. Thomas ARNOLDNER, *CEO, A1 Telekom Austria*

Group, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

Mr. Emmanuel FOREST, *CEO, BOUYGUES Paris*

France, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

Dr. Stephan PACHINGER, *Partner, Freshfields*

Bruckhauser Deringer LLP, Member of the Board of

Vienna Economic Forum

Dr. Gabriel LANSKY, *Partner, LANSKY, GANZGER +*

partner, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

Mr. Arda ERMUT, *President, Investment Office of the*

Presidency of the Republic of Turkey, Member of the

Board of Vienna Economic Forum

Q AND A SESSION

with the Audience (led by the Moderator)

11:30–11:40 a.m. **ANNUAL AWARD CEREMONY
of Vienna Economic Forum**

**A1 Telekom Austria Group –
Cooperation Partner of the Year 2019**

Award accepted by

Mag. Thomas ARNOLDNER, *CEO*



11:40 a.m.–

12:15 p.m.

COFFEE BREAK

hosted by the Board of

Vienna Economic Forum

and Penkov, Markov & Partners

International Law Firm

12:20–12:30 p.m. **ANNUAL AWARD CEREMONY
of Vienna Economic Forum**

**Republic Of North Macedonia –
Cooperation Country of the Year 2019**

Award accepted by

H.E. Mr. Naser NUREDINI

Minister of Environment and Physical Planning

of the Republic of North Macedonia

12:30–1:30 p.m.

**VIENNA ECONOMIC TALKS –
ECONOMY AS A DRIVING FORCE**

ONE REGION – ONE ECONOMY

Moderation

Amb. Victor JACKOVICH

President of Jackovich International, USA

Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

Video Messages

H.E. Mr. Edi RAMA, *Prime Minister of Albania*

Patron of Vienna Economic Forum

H.E. Mr. Zoran ZAEV, *Prime Minister*

of the Republic of North Macedonia

Patron of Vienna Economic Forum

Impulse Statement

H.E. Mr. Naser NUREDINI

Minister of Environment and Physical Planning

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Participants in the Discussion

Mr. Aleksandar VLAHOVIC, *President of the Serbian*

Association of Economists, Serbia, Member of the

Board of Vienna Economic Forum

Mr. Branko AZESKI, *President of the Chamber of*

Economy of the Republic of North Macedonia

Mr. Gordan MILINIC, *Director of Foreign Investment*

Promotion Agency (FIPA) of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Mr. Miloš JOVANOVIĆ, *CEO, Montenegrin Investment*

Promotion Agency, Montenegro

Q AND A SESSION

with the Audience (led by the Moderator)

1:30–2:30 p.m.

INFORMAL DISCUSSION

for all participants in the framework of a

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hosted by the Board of

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2:30 p.m.

**END OF 16th Vienna Economic Forum –
VIENNA FUTURE DIALOGUE 2019**