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LETTERS FROM THE PATRONS OF VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM

Government of the Republic of Macedonia
Prime Minister

Skopje, 4 October 2006

To: Dr. Erhard Busek
President of the Vienna Economic Forum

Dear Mr. Busek,

Pursuant to your letter, inviting me to join the Patrons' Committee of the Vienna Economic Forum, I would like to inform you that in light of the significant role of this Forum in promoting the Republic of Macedonia and the countries in the Region in terms of attracting foreign, especially Austrian, investments in these countries, I am particularly pleased and honoured to accept your invitation to participate in the Forum's Patrons' Committee.

Mr. Busek, presenting my appreciation for your invitation, I would like to assure you of my highest consideration.

NIKOLA GRUEVSKI

GUVERNUL REPUBLICII MOLDOVA / GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

Chişinău, 11 October 2006

Dr. Erhard Busek, Coordinator for the Stability Pact for South East Europe, President of Vienna Economic Forum

Dear Dr. Busek,

I am pleased to register my gratitude for your invitation to become Member of Patrons' Committee of Vienna Economic Forum.

It is a great honor to take part in the future work of this Committee together with Prime Ministers of the countries from Adriatic to the Black Sea.

I am sure, the cooperation between the Government of the Republic of Moldova and Vienna Economic Forum will be very fruitful.

Using this opportunity, I would like to renew the assurance of my highest attention.

Sincerely yours,

VANDE TARLEV
Prime Minister

Government of the Republic of Montenegro
Prime Minister

Podgorica, November 21, 2006

Dr. Erhard Busek, President of the Vienna Economic Forum

Dear Dr. Busek,

As you are aware, in the previous Prime Minister Djukanović's Government, I was aware and have thought highly of the initiatives and activities that the Vienna Economic Forum has had towards promoting investment opportunities in the region, its development potential and furthering economic co-operation and its progress in Southeast Europe.

I believe that Montenegro remains fully committed to adopting and using the highest European standards with a view to negotiating by the end of the ratification and Association Agreement with the European Union and joining the Partnership for Peace Program. On this path we see strengthening goal-oriented co-operation, involvement in and contribution to regional initiatives and of the region, as our strategic interest and an independent prescription.

It is an opportunity to confirm in my capacity as Prime Minister of Montenegro my wish to join the Vienna Economic Forum Patrons' Committee.

Yours sincerely,
Zeljko Ranjic

REPUBLIK ÖSTERREICH / FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA

Vienna, 12 October 2007

Dear Mrs. Gernsbacher,

Thank you very much for the invitation to the Patrons' Committee of the Vienna Economic Forum. I am very pleased to accept your invitation and to be part of this important initiative. I will be happy to contribute to the development of the region and to the promotion of economic cooperation between Austria and the countries in the region.

With friendly regards,
Gernsbacher

REPUBLIKA E SHQIPËRISE / REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA

Tirana, 11 October 2006

Dear Mr. Busek,

I am pleased to accept your invitation to join the Patrons' Committee of the Vienna Economic Forum. I believe that the Forum will play a significant role in promoting economic cooperation and investment in the Balkans region.

With friendly regards,
Berisha

Government of the Republic of Serbia
Prime Minister

Belgrade, 14 September 2007

Dear Mr. Busek,

I am pleased to accept your invitation to join the Patrons' Committee of the Vienna Economic Forum. I believe that the Forum will play a significant role in promoting economic cooperation and investment in the Balkans region.

With friendly regards,
Tadić

GUVERNUL ROMÂNIEI / GOVERNMENT OF ROMANIA

Bucharest, 4 April 2006

Dr. Erhard Busek, President of Vienna Economic Forum

Dear Dr. Busek,

I am pleased to accept your invitation to join the Patrons' Committee of the Vienna Economic Forum. I believe that the Forum will play a significant role in promoting economic cooperation and investment in the Balkans region.

With friendly regards,
Popescu-Tarceanu

Government of the Czech Republic
Prime Minister

Prague, 5 March 2006

Dear Dr. Busek,

I am pleased to accept your invitation to join the Patrons' Committee of the Vienna Economic Forum. I believe that the Forum will play a significant role in promoting economic cooperation and investment in the Balkans region.

With friendly regards,
Fiala

REPUBLIKA BULGARIJE / REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

Sofia, 21 September 2006

Dear Dr. Busek,

I am pleased to accept your invitation to join the Patrons' Committee of the Vienna Economic Forum. I believe that the Forum will play a significant role in promoting economic cooperation and investment in the Balkans region.

With friendly regards,
Stankov

REPUBLIKA BULGARIJE / REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

Sofia, 21 September 2006

Dear Dr. Busek,

I am pleased to accept your invitation to join the Patrons' Committee of the Vienna Economic Forum. I believe that the Forum will play a significant role in promoting economic cooperation and investment in the Balkans region.

With friendly regards,
Stankov



Dr. Erhard BUSEK

President of Vienna Economic Forum,
Former Vice Chancellor of Austria



Amb. Dr. Elena KIRTICHEVA

Member of the Board, Secretary General
of Vienna Economic Forum

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, DEAR MEMBERS OF VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM!

We want to look back on a successful year 2008, which has been the year of the 5th anniversary of Vienna Economic Forum and in which we have experienced many interesting meetings in Vienna and abroad

After five years of existence we already have a history as the Vienna Economic Forum, and traditionally we are holding our annual meeting in fall in Vienna and we are moving the other meetings to our regions. In 2008 we held our meetings in Chisinau, the capital of Moldova, in the city of Becici in Montenegro, in Tirana, the capital of Albania and – in our new format Vienna Economic Talks - in the city of Pleven in Bulgaria. There we have started with this new series of events, Vienna Economic Talks, a meeting form which allows us to discuss certain topics in a smaller frame, with a specialized audience and thus we want to contribute even further to achieve concrete results and create new cooperation possibilities for our members and partners.

Cooperation is a key word from the very beginning in the concept and in the vision of Vienna Economic Forum. The cooperation is of great importance not only for our meetings to come true but also for the exchange of information on the economic interests and especially on the topics envisaged in the agenda of Vienna Economic Forum Meetings. Cooperation is an important precondition for the economic development of the whole Region.

Your

Dr. Erhard Busek
President

Amb. Dr. Elena Kirtcheva
Secretary General

So far our meetings have been a great success, the number of participants has been increasing from meeting to meeting, and the international response tells us that we are on the right way. On our 5h Jubilee Vienna Economic Forum in November we have welcomed more than 500 participants from 37 countries, and we look back on the exchange of experience, regional cooperation and investment development in the Region of Vienna Economic Forum.

We can say that again we have successfully brought together decision makers and investors from Austria and other countries with the member countries of Vienna Economic Forum, thus giving impulses and supporting common projects and concrete activities.

Another successful year is over and Vienna Economic Forum has continued to be a renowned place of exchange and experience! We are grateful for this to all our Members!

Thank you for the trust! It gives us power for further activities!

VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM – CHISINAU MEETING

Invest in Moldova – Invest in the Region
February 20th and 21st, 2008 , Chisinau, Moldova





Amb. Dr. Elena KIRTICHEVA

Member of the Board, Secretary General
of Vienna Economic Forum

THE ROLE AND VISION OF VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM – SUCCESSFUL DEVELOPMENT OF INVESTMENT PROJECTS IN MOLDOVA

Excellencies!

Distinguished co-chairman of this Plenary Session,

Minister Dodon!

Distinguished Ministers!

Dear Mr. President

and dear Members of Vienna Economic Forum!

Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen,

representatives of the Moldovan public and private sector!

Dear Participants from the other countries of the Region!

It is honor and great pleasure to warmly welcome you all here today at the second plenary session of Vienna Economic Forum - Chisinau Meeting. I am honored to address such an eminent gathering of personalities interested or directly involved in the economic development of the region from the Adriatic to the Black Sea and particular of the Republic of Moldova.

Allow me to thank the Government of Moldova for their hospitality in the organization of our Vienna Economic Forum- Chisinau Meeting and especially to the Member of our Patrons Committee, H.E. Prime Minister Vasile Tarlev. Many thanks also to the Moldovan Investment and Export Promotion Organization (MIEPO), for the excellent cooperation.

Cooperation is a key word in the concept and in the visions of Vienna Economic Forum. The cooperation is of great importance not only for this meeting to come true but also for the exchange of information on the economic interests and especially on the topics envisaged in the agenda of the Moldova Meeting. The cooperation is an important precondition for the economic development of the whole Region.

This region is a true economic challenge, where we witness countries with different economic development, new and old Members of the European Union, countries of South-East Europe with different time perspectives on the European Union Membership.

The answer to this challenge is rooted in the motto of Vienna Economic Forum: **Go South East!**

Vienna Economic Forum is a platform, where the decision-makers of the region do not only actively discuss initiatives and projects, but they accelerate their implementation. Vienna Economic Forum aims to stimulate the development of transborder projects, to present the opportunities for cooperation and to facilitate the contacts between the actors from the region. Vienna Economic Forum is trying to accumulate and gather the energy, which exists in the region and to provide new possibilities for cooperation and for carrying out projects.

Vienna Economic Forum is concentrating on the support of common interests between the Member Countries for the future of our region – the region from the Adriatic to the Black Sea. With around 130 (one hundred and thirty) million consumers this is a strategically very important part of Europe. One of the principal objectives of Vienna Economic Forum is to promote the investment opportunities in the Region, as well as to promote the integration processes in and between the countries from the region.

I wanted to stress the importance of regional cooperation. The regional infrastructural projects, projects in finance, energy, transport and communication, telecommunication, agriculture, machinery etc. would provide the basis to link the neighboring countries, and consequently enhance their economic co-operation. A regional cooperation will contribute to attracting new direct investments in the countries of the Region and extension of intra-regional projects.

Our forum today gives us a good opportunity for discussing issues of sustainable development in the Region from the Moldovan point of view at the highest, but also at a practical level.

To have Vienna Economic Forum in Chisinau is of high importance! I would like to underline two reasons:

First: For further development of Moldova's economy it is very important to meet with the Austrian and other investors from the region, who came here with us and to discuss directly the opportunities for cooperation in all these fields, the government of Moldova gives priority in attracting investments.

One goal of our Forum here today should also be to increase the percentage of Foreign Direct Investment in Moldova, and I assume that our participants from Austria and from abroad would certainly like to be one of the top-ten foreign investors of Moldova.

Second: With regard to the investment climate in Moldova our investors need to be ensured that the good legal framework has also a good implementation. To provide legal security for the investors and additional guarantees for their ownership, to eliminate the administrative barriers- this is definitely one of the preconditions for a successful development of different projects, for a secure business in the country.

And I strongly believe that Chisinau is the right place to discuss today with the Members of Vienna Economic Forum, including influential investors like Volksbank International, Siemens, Raiffeisen Leasing, Wiener Städtische Versicherung (Vienna Insurance Group), smart technologies GmbH, GfK Austria GmbH, Meinel Capital Advisors, CISMO Clearing Integrated Services and Market Operations, Zentral Holding, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, International Council of Investors and with representatives of Moldovan companies and business entrepreneurs the various manifestations and economic possibilities in the country. A successful cooperation will be of great importance for the development of the whole Region and will make this part of Europe very prospective in the next decades.

Some members of Vienna Economic Forum are already represented in Moldova and in the region or aim to be represented. Most of them have been gaining experience for years and have been trying to contribute to the efforts of developing the region by presenting and exchanging experience of their success stories and best practices.

Here I would like to take the opportunity to address all Moldovan company representatives who are here to take part in our Chisinau Meeting and to find new contacts.

Réputable companies are present here to enlarge their networks and to get in touch with you! I hope you all will take this chance and will profit from our meeting.

The experience of Vienna Economic Forum meetings in Vienna in 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 as well as the spring and summer editions of Vienna Economic Forum abroad - Bucharest Meeting (in 2005), Belgrade Meeting (in 2006) and Ohrid and Istanbul Meeting (in 2007) shows that we are on the right path.

And I am sure that the experience of today's Chisinau Meeting will be still another proof for it. Even a discussion about problems in the Republic of Moldova can help and can be a beginning to reduce these problems by new investments. I don't think that this has been exploited enough by now and I would encourage our VEF Member to look at the new investment possibilities and to play an active role in making this concept work.

Please allow me to greet all the participants in today's meeting – around 200, from 19 countries and also from South-East European Co-operation Process (SEEC), from the newly established Council for Regional Cooperation located in Sarajevo and its Secretary General Mr. Hidajet Biscevic, from United Nations Development Program (UNDP), from International Finance Corporation - World Bank Group. Most of the participants today are from Moldova and Austria but also from Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Canada, Germany, Greece, France, Macedonia, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom and USA.

I wish a good start, very intensive and fruitful discussions, interesting exchange of experience and new suggestions – for the success of all of us here, at the Vienna Economic Forum – Chisinau Meeting.

I hope that today's meeting will be the reason for the participants to meet new partners to cooperate closer together and I hope that there are good signs for cooperation in the Field of the Investment Opportunities in Moldova.

And I am sure that, at the end of this event our purpose to prove Moldova as a safe and attractive market for foreign investors will be touched.

Thank you!

FEBRUARY 20TH, 2008

16.00 REGISTRATION

16.30 **WELCOME RECEPTION** for all participants
hosted by the GOVERNMENT OF MOLDOVA, WINE hosted by MOLDOVA-VIN DEPARTMENT

FIRST PLENARY SESSION - INVESTMENT POLICY AND INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN MOLDOVA

17.00 MODERATION AND OPENING

Dr. Erhard BUSEK, Special Co-ordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe,
President of Vienna Economic Forum

17.10 - 17.20 WELCOME ADDRESS

H.E. Mr. Vladimir VORONIN, President of the Republic of Moldova

17.20 - 17.35 INTRODUCTORY STATEMENTS

H.E. Mr. Vasile TARLEV, Prime Minister of the Republic of Moldova, Patron of Vienna Economic Forum
Invest in Moldova – a big Challenge for Europe

17.20 - 17.35 **Mr. Gheorghe CUCU**, President, Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Moldova

How to attract the Interest of the Foreign Investors to Moldova and to the Countries from the Region

17.50 - 17.05 KEYNOTE SPEECHES

Dr. Friedhelm BOSCHERT, President of the Board, VOLKSBANK International AG

Mr. Alexandru MUNTEANU, Partner, Horizon Capital Advisors LLC, USA, Member of the Business
Advisory Council For South Eastern Europe

Private Equity Investments as a way to open a new European market: case of Moldova

Mr. Alexandru SIRBU, President of Economic Council to the Prime-Minister of the Republic of Moldova

18.35 - 19.00 Q AND A SESSION: DISCUSSION WITH THE AUDIENCE AND CONCLUSION (LED BY THE MODERATOR)

**Representatives of the Government of the Republic of Moldova, of the investors from Austria,
Members of Vienna Economic Forum, of Moldavian and other companies**

POSSIBILITIES FOR BILATERAL MEETINGS, ORGANISED BY VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM

20.00 **GALA DINNER**, hosted by **H.E. Mr. Vasile TARLEV**, Prime Minister of the Republic of Moldova,
Patron of Vienna Economic Forum (by invitation) (Location: tbc)

FEBRUARY, 21ST 2008

REGISTRATION

COFFEE BREAK, offered by CISMO Clearing Integrated Services and Market Operations GmbH

8.45 - 8.55 **FAMILY PHOTO** (by Invitation)

SECOND PLENARY SESSION - THE ROLE OF INVESTMENT IN THE INFRASTRUCTURE, FINANCE, ENERGY

9.00 - 10.30 CO-CHAIR AND STATEMENTS

Amb. Dr. Elena KIRTICHEVA, Member of the Board, Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum
**The Role and Vision of Vienna Economic Forum for the Cooperation between the Countries
in the Region**

H.E. Mr. Igor DODON, Minister of Economy and Commerce of the Republic of Moldova
The Role of the Foreign Investments for the Economic Development of Moldova

SPEAKERS

H.E. Ambassador Cesare de MONTIS, Head of Delegation, The European Commission's Delegation
to the Republic of Moldova

Mr. Hidajet BISCEVIC, Elected Secretary General, SEECF and Regional Cooperation Council

Dr. Robert HAGER, Managing Director, CISMO Clearing Integrated Services and Market Operations GmbH
Regional power network coordination as infrastructural basis for power production investments

H.E. Mr. Mihail POP, Minister of Finance of the Republic of Moldova

Mr. Christoph WOLF, Member of the Board, TBIH Financial Services Group, Wiener Städtische
Versicherung AG, Vienna Insurance Group

The Insurance Sector – A Direct Investor And Facilitator For Investments

Mr. Edgar MARTIN, General Director, Danube Logistic SRL

**Representatives of the Government of the Republic of Moldova, of the investors from
Austria, Member of Vienna Economic Forum, of Moldavian and other companies**

10.30 - 11.00 **PRESS CONFERENCE** (organized by the GOVERNMENT OF MOLDOVA)

COFFEE BREAK, offered by VOLKSBANK INTERNATIONAL AG

11.00 - 12.30 WORKSHOP 1 – CONCRETE INVESTMENT PROJECTS IN INFRASTRUCTURE, FINANCE, ENERGY, MACHINERY
MODERATION AND STATEMENT

Mr. Hansjörg TENGG, CEO, Smart Technologies

PARTICIPANTS

H.E. Mr. Vladimir ANTOSII, Minister of Industry and Infrastructure of the Republic of Moldova
Investment Opportunities in Infrastructure Projects in Moldova

FEBRUARY, 21ST 2008

Mr. Gerald SCHREINER, CEO, Volksbank Romania S.A.

Mr. Richard CURRIE, Senior Finance Specialist, Crimson Capital
Introducing Innovative Financial Products to Moldova

Mr. Jean-Francois MYARD, Chairman of Administrative Board of Mobiasbanca, Groupe Societe Generale

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Member of Vienna Economic Forum
Business Development in South Eastern Europe

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Mr. Alfred SCHUCH, Head of Hydrocarbons Unit, Energy Community Secretariat

Mr. Victor BODIU, General Director, I.C.S. Raiffeisen Leasing S.R.L.
Raiffeisen in Moldova

Mr. Dorin RECEAN, Chief Executive Officer Millenium group

Mr. Andrey KONDAKOV, Vice-President, Black Sea Trade and Development Bank

Q and A Session: Discussion with the Audience (led by the moderator)
Representatives of the Government of the Republic of Moldova, of the investors from Austria, Member of Vienna Economic Forum, of Moldavian and other companies

11.00 - 12.30 **WORKSHOP 2 – POSSIBILITIES AND PERSPECTIVES FOR REGIONAL COOPERATION – CONCRETE INVESTMENT PROJECTS IN AGRICULTURE, TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS**

MODERATOR AND STATEMENT

Mr. Anatol SPIVACENCO, Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Food Industry of the Republic of Moldova

PARTICIPANTS

Mr. Pavel UNTURA, Deputy Minister of Transport and Road Management of the Republic of Moldova
The Transport and the Railway System in Moldova

Mrs. Lilia RUSSU, Director, Moldovan Investment and Export Promotion Organisation (MIEPO)

Dr. Rudolf BRETSCHNEIDER, Managing Director, GfK Austria GmbH (tbc)

Mr. Stefan POPA, President, Bucharest Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Romania, Member of the Business Advisory Council for South Eastern Europe, Vice-president of the Romanian Freight Forwarders UNION(USER)

Mr. Georgi SHIVAROV, Vice-President, Bulgarian Industrial Association
Industrial Development Networking as a tool for Regional Cooperation

FEBRUARY, 21ST 2008

Dr. Christian STEINER, Charge d’Affaires a.i./Minister Counsellor/Head of the Coordination Office for Technical Cooperation, Austrian Embassy/Coordination Office for Technical Cooperation Chisinau
The Business and Development Partnerships – Instruments of the ADC

Mr. Leonid SIDORENKO, Principal Banker, Black Sea Trade and Development Bank
Working with the Black Sea Bank

Mr. Nicolae PETROV, President and CEO, S.C. Carpatair S.A. and Moldavian Airlines

Mr. Heinz MESSINGER, Managing Director, AME-International GmbH

Mr. Bruno DUTHOIT, Director General, Orange SA, Moldova

Q AND A SESSION: DISCUSSION WITH THE AUDIENCE (LED BY THE MODERATOR)
Representatives of the Government of the Republic of Moldova, of the investors from Austria, Member of Vienna Economic Forum, of Moldavian and other companies

12.30 - 13.15 **CLOSING PLENARY SESSION**

12.30 - 12.45 **MODERATION**

H.E. Dr. Martin EICHTINGER, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Austria to the Republic of Moldova

12.30 - 12.45 **SHORT OVERVIEWS FROM THE WORKSHOPS**
Mr. Hansjörg TENGG, CEO, Smart Technologies

Mr Anatol SPIVACENCO, Deputy Minister of agriculture and Food Industry of the Republic of Moldova

12.45 - 13.00 **CLOSING REMARKS**

H.E. Mr. Vasile TARLEV, Prime Minister of the Republic of Moldova, Patron of Vienna Economic Forum

Dr. Erhard BUSEK, Special Co-ordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe, President of Vienna Economic Forum
Representatives of the Government of the Republic of Moldova, of the investors from Austria, Member of Vienna Economic Forum, of Moldavian and other companies

13.30 **DEPARTURE AND BUS TRANSFER** to EXHIBITION „ExpoVin Moldova’2008”
Venue: I.E.C. “Moldexpo” (1, Ghiocilor St., Chisinau, Moldova)

LUNCH hosted by the GOVERNMENT OF MOLDOVA, location: “Casa Vinului” Restaurant and

15.15 **WINE** hosted by MOLDOVA-VIN DEPARTMENT

PROFILE

Nationality: Croatia
Current Position: Secretary General, SEECP and Regional

MR. HIDAJET BISCEVIC

■ Mr Hido Biscevic, currently State Secretary for Political Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration of the Republic of Croatia, was appointed Secretary General of the Regional Cooperation Council (RCC) at the meeting of the SEECP Heads of State and Government held in Zagreb on 11 May 2007.

■ The RCC is a new, regionally-owned and led co-operation framework in South Eastern Europe. It has been established in order to reaffirm regional ownership over cooperation processes in South Eastern Europe and take over the role and responsibilities of the Stability Pact after its phasing out in February 2008. The RCC will bring together the countries of the region together with the European Union and the wider international donor community. Its role will be to enhance regional cooperation aimed at the promotion of dialogue, economic development, stability and security in the region and its integration into European and Euro-Atlantic structures.

■ The RCC will sustain co-operation in the agreed priority areas: Economic and Social Development; Infrastructure and Energy; Justice and Home Affairs; Security Co-operation; Building Human Capital; As well as Parliamentary Co-operation as an overarching theme.

PROFILE

Nationality: Moldova
Current Position: General Director, ICS Raiffeisen Leasing SRL

MR. VICTOR BODIU

■ Mr. Victor Bodiu is General Director of ICS Raiffeisen Lesing SRL.

■ Raiffeisen-Leasing GmbH, a subsidiary of the Raiffeisen Bank Group, has 36 years successful experience in the leasing business, both inside and outside Austria. Its all-round competence and tailor made solutions are the basis of its success as the country's leading leasing institution. We pride ourselves on being a dependable partner to our customers.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: Managing Director, GfK Austria GmbH

DR. RUDOLF BRETSCHNEIDER

■ GfK Austria was founded in 1950 as Dr. Fessel Institute for Market Research and since 1972 has been an integral part of the GfK Group. Established 70 years ago as Germany's first market research company, with more than 130 subsidiaries and participations in 90 countries on five continents, the GfK Group is one of the leading market research organizations. Of the current total of more than 8.400 employees, some 160 work in Austria.

■ GfK Austria is the leading market research Institute in Austria with a broad spectrum of specialist services. We provide information services for clients from industry, retail, the service sector and the media, which they use for their marketing to existing and potential clients as well as to distinguish themselves from the competition. As a company with a long tradition, we are careful to maintain the continuity in our work that comes with decades of success in the business. At the same time, it is innovation and progress which are the driving forces of our activities.

■ In 1989, under the guidance of GfK Austria, the creation of a network of GfK subsidiaries in Central and Eastern Europe was initiated which today comprises 17 subsidiaries in 15 countries.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: President of Vienna Economic Forum, Former Special Co-ordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe

DR. ERHARD BUSEK

■ Dr. Erhard Busek was born in Vienna, Austria, on March 25, 1941. He received his law degree from the University of Vienna in 1963. During his studies, he also served as Chairman of the Austrian Youth Council.

■ He began his professional career in 1964 as legal adviser to the association of the parliamentarians of the Austrian People's Party. He then served as Secretary General of the Austrian Federation for Trade and Commerce (1968-1975). In 1975 he was appointed Secretary General of the Austrian People's Party and was elected Member of Parliament later that year.

■ Dr. Busek gained additional experience in administration between 1968-1976 while with a publishing firm in the economic field. In 1976 Dr. Busek entered municipal politics. He was City Councilor and was elected Deputy-Mayor of Vienna in 1978, a position he held until 1987. He was appointed Minister for Science and Research in April 1989. From 1994 until May 1995 Dr. Busek was Minister for Education. He was elected Chairman of the Austrian People's Party in 1991 and served as Vice-Chancellor of Austria from 1991 to 1995. In early 2000 Dr. Erhard Busek was appointed as Special Representative of the Austrian Government on EU-Enlargement.

■ Chairman of the "Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe"; President of the European Forum Alpbach and President of Vienna Economic Forum.

PROFILE

Nationality: Moldova
Current Position: Head of Delegation, The European Commission's Delegation to the Republic of Moldova

H.E. AMBASSADOR CESARE DE MONTIS

■ Cesare De Montis is the first head of the European Commission's Delegation to Moldova. The delegation was officially opened in 2005 by Benita Ferrero-Waldner, EU Commissioner for External Relations and European Neighborhood Policy.
■ Cesare De Montis started his career with the European Commission in 1984. He held several positions at the Directorate General for Development and External Relations among which the post of head of unit for Andean Pact. In 2001-2005 Cesare De Montis was the Head of European Commission's Delegation to Venezuela.

PROFILE

Nationality: USA
Current Position: Senior Finance Specialist, Crimson Capital

RICHARD CURRIE

■ Crimson Capital (Crimson) is a leading international investment bank and management consulting firm. Established in 1991 to provide privatization and restructuring expertise to emerging markets in Eastern Europe, Crimson has gone global, delivering dynamic development assistance across five continents. With offices in Washington, D.C., Atlanta, Prague, Skopje and Hong Kong, Crimson's principals and consultants deploy proven experience and professional know-how in a wide range of services and sectors.
■ Crimson is more than just a business: we open doors, create business opportunities and deliver meaningful development results. We partner with people and organizations committed to accomplishing positive change, and we equip our clients with new capabilities, resources, and know-how. We believe in hard work as a positive experience, and in creating change one person, one opportunity, and one project at a time.
■ Currently, Mr. Currie is Chief of Party and General Manager of the USAID-funded SME Commercial Finance Fund in Macedonia, Crimson's flagship SME Finance Project. Mr. Currie holds a Master's degree in Asian Studies from Indiana University, and completed the Chase Manhattan Bank Credit Training Program. Mr. Currie is fluent in Chinese and Mongolian, and speaks Russian at an intermediate level.

PROFILE

Nationality: Moldova
Current Position: President of the Executive Board, Eximbank Gruppo Veneto Banca in Moldova

MARCEL CHIRCA

■ The JSCB "EXIMBANK" was created by the Decree of the President of the Republic of Moldova # 4 of January 10, 1994 on the basis of the Moldavian branch of the former Bank for Foreign Economic Affairs of the USSR. It later became the foreign currency transactions department of the National Bank of Moldova.
■ The official date of birth of the Bank is April 29, 1994 – the date of the registration of EXIMBANK by the National Bank of Moldova (# 71). From the beginning of its activity the bank has headed for expansion of the range of services and for the improvement of the quality of service. All that allowed increasing customer base from 1 004 up to 34 263 clients (on July 1, 2007).
■ Among the clients are many business leaders, representations of the international organizations and embassies of the foreign countries. Today the bank provides a traditional range of bank services (account maintenance, cash management, crediting, deposit operations, international payments, operations with securities), as well as hi-tech bank services and products, such as operations with bank cards ("VISA International" and "MasterCard International"), and products based on Internet technologies (Internet banking "EXIMBANK-ONLINE", online access to the card account).
■ Today the bank has a network of the following divisions of the bank: Head office, 16 Branches and 34 Representatives Offices in the country and in the capital city of Chisinau.

PROFILE

Nationality: UK
Current Position: International Energy Agency

TIM GOULD

■ The International Energy Agency (IEA) acts as energy policy advisor to 27 member countries in their effort to ensure reliable, affordable and clean energy for their citizens. Founded during the oil crisis of 1973-74, the IEA's initial role was to co-ordinate measures in times of oil supply emergencies. As energy markets have changed, so has the IEA. Its mandate has broadened to incorporate the "Three E's" of balanced energy policy making: energy security, economic development and environmental protection.
■ Current work focuses on climate change policies, market reform, energy technology collaboration and outreach to the rest of the world, especially major consumers and producers of energy like China, India, Russia and the OPEC countries.
■ With a staff of around 190, mainly energy experts and statisticians from its 27 member countries, the IEA conducts a broad programme of energy research, data compilation, publications and public dissemination of the latest energy policy analysis and recommendations on good practices.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: Managing Director, CISMO Clearing Integrated Services and Market Operations GmbH

DR. ROBERT HAGER

■ CISMO is working in the field of liberalisation, new markets, technical changes, cost control and new laws – challenges which are common for energy providers. They support optimising strategies and processes, working with a network of highly specialised IT companies and banks. The company was founded in 2006.

PROFILE

Nationality: Bulgaria
Current Position: Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum

AMBASSADOR DR. ELENA KIRTICHEVA

- Founder, Member of the Board and Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum.
- Ambassador Dr. Elena Kirtcheva possesses great administrative and managerial experience in state institutions, government and non-government organizations, academic and teaching experience in law and economic fields, big experience in diplomacy – former ambassador of Bulgaria to Switzerland, Lichtenstein, Finland and Austria. Awarded with the Grand Decoration of Honour in Gold with Sash for Services to the Republic of Austria.
- She was member of the First democratic Parliament of Republic of Bulgaria and member of commissions and parliament delegations of Republic of Bulgaria in European Council and Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe /OSCE/.
- She graduated law in Sofia University Kliment Ohridski. PhD in Law.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: Head of Regional Management, Siemens AG Austria

PROFILE

Nationality: UK
Current Position: General Director, Danube Logistic SRL

MAXIMILIAN MAIRHOFER

- Siemens Austria has business responsibility for an economic region encompassing nine countries with 65 million inhabitants. This common economic region, which includes Austria, Slovakia, Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Montenegro, Bulgaria and Romania, is one of the key growth regions worldwide.
- Relying on an intelligent division of labor, Siemens is leveraging and reinforcing the dynamic developments in this area while at the same time profiting from the massive investments being made in industrial and public infrastructures. One by one, the CEE countries are becoming members of the European Union, which makes them eligible for EU support and funding when it comes to building up transportation infrastructure, healthcare and public administration systems - all areas where Siemens can offer interesting solutions. As an exciting and successful growth region, the CEE economic region is thus promising to guarantee the growth and the future of Siemens Austria over the long term.

MR. EDGAR MARTIN

- Since January 2007 Mr. Edgar Martin has been the General Director of ICS Danube Logistics SRL (the largest foreign investor in the Republic of Moldova) and the Port Manager of Giurgiulesti International Free Port, Moldova’s only Danube port and only port capable of receiving both maritime and river vessels.
Qualifications: BSc (Hons) Maritime Business with Maritime History (Institute of Marine Studies, University of Plymouth); PhD “The involvement of non-riparian states with the continuing development of Danube navigation and transport” [underway] (Transport Research Institute, Napier University)
Past employment: Maritime Transport Research; Brittany Ferries; S.N.A.T. / Railfreight Distribution; Associated British Ports; British Waterways
Membership: IVR (European inland vessel registry and representation); PIANC (International Navigation Association); PYNDA (Plymouth Nautical Degrees Association); IAME (International Association of Maritime Economists)
- Danube Logistics SRL, a Moldovan limited liability company, is the owner and operator of the Giurgiulesti International Free Port. In December 2004 Danube Logistics signed with the Government of Moldova an investment agreement for the construction of the Giurgiulesti International Free Port. Danube Logistics’ shareholders are the Dutch EASEUR Holding BV and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, holding 80% and 20% of Danube Logistics shares respectively.
- The privately owned and privately operated Giurgiulesti International Free Port (GIFP) is Moldova’s only port accessible to sea-going vessels. GIFP’s entire 120 ha territory has a status similar to that of an economic free zone and consists of a petroleum terminal, a cargo port, a passenger port and an industrial free zone. Due to its location on the Lower Danube with available water depths in excess of 7m, GIFP is capable of receiving not only river barges but also sea going vessels. Against this background GIFP serves its client as the only direct sea/river-borne transshipment and distribution point to and from the Republic of Moldova, a regional logistics hub on the border of the EU with access to road, rail, river, sea, and an excellent location for businesses, who wish to make use of GIFP’s strategic location, its trimodal transport infrastructure, low cost environment and unique customs and tax regime.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: CEO, Volksbank Romania S.A.

MR. GERALD SCHREINER

■ Mr. Schreiner is CEO of Volksbank Romania, one of the TOP 10 Banks (since 03/07) in Romania and TOP 5 in Mortgage Lending (since 09/06). He is responsible for Retail, Investments, Controlling and Marketing within Volksbank Romania. After 7 years banking experience in Czech Republic he joined the Board of Directors in Volksbank Romania in 2003. In beginning of 2006 he was promoted as President of Volksbank Romania.

PROFILE

Nationality: Greece
Current Position: Principal Banker, Black Sea Trade and Development Bank

MR. LEONID SIDORENKO

■ The Black Sea Trade and Development Bank (BSTDB) is an international financial institution established by Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Georgia, Greece, Moldova, Romania, Russia, Turkey, and Ukraine. With an authorized capital of SDR 1 billion, the Bank supports economic development and regional cooperation by providing trade and project financing, guarantees, and equity for development projects supporting both public and private enterprises in its member countries.

PROFILE

Nationality: Bulgaria
Current Position: Vice President, Bulgarian Industrial Association

GEORGI SHIVAROV

■ The Bulgarian Industrial Association – Union of the Bulgarian Business (BIA) (named Bulgarian Industrial Association till 2006) is a voluntary, non - governmental organization of the Bulgarian industry, established on 25 April 1980. It is the first non – governmental organization in the former socialist block. BIA is an umbrella organization with a matrix structure, vertically representing the branch (sector) oriented organization and horizontally the regional and municipal organizations.

■ BIA has played a crucial role in initiating and coordinating the foundation, consolidation and establishment of the branch (sector) and regional business organizations in Bulgaria.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: Member of the Board, TBIH Financial Services Group, Wiener Städtische Versicherung AG, Vienna Insurance Group

MR. CHRISTOPH WOLF

■ From the beginning of 2006, Wiener Städtische Group is operating under a new umbrella brand – Vienna Insurance Group. This shared brand is intended to strengthen the Group identity and enhance the sense of cohesion of the Group companies. Under the Group’s multibrand strategy, the companies use their locally established names in their home markets. With this shared brand, the Vienna Insurance Group emphasises the financial strength as a major Central and Eastern European insurer based in Vienna.

■ With premium volume of more than EUR 5 billion, the international Vienna Insurance Group is the largest Austrian insurance group in Central and Eastern Europe. The Group provides high-quality insurance services both in the life and non-life segments. The central aim is to deliver innovative local insurance solutions for all areas of life through optimum customer service. The Vienna Insurance Group builds on a long history of success, tracing the roots to the year 1824. The Vienna Insurance Group is currently operating in 17 countries. More than 16,000 employees look after the security of their customers. In addition to the presence in Austria, there are Group companies, branch offices or investments in Belarus, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Georgia, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Liechtenstein, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia and Montenegro, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Ukraine.

■ Building on its leading position in Austria, Vienna Insurance Group has for more than fifteen years been expanding purposefully into the emerging markets of Central and Eastern Europe. In 2005 the share of the Group’s premiums generated in this region was already well over 30%. No other international insurance group is active in so many Central and Eastern European countries.

■ Vienna Insurance Group has taken over 75% of Turkish insurance company Ray in 2007 via their subsidiary TBIH, a joint venture with Israeli partner Kadan NV.



Welcome Address by H.E. Mr. Vladimir Voronin, President of the Republic of Moldova



Panel First Plenary Session



from left to right: H.E. Mr. Igor Dodon, H.E. Ms. Zinaida Greceanii, Amb. Dr. Elena Kirtcheva, Mr. Cesare de Montis



Amb. Dr. Elena Kirtcheva, Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum, in interview



from left to right: Amb. Dr. Elena Kirtcheva, Prof. Dr. Rudolf Bretschneider, Dr. Erhard Busek

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Prohntitchi, Valeriu	Executive Director	Expert-Grup	Moldova
Pop, Mihail, H.E.	Minister	Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Moldova	Moldova
Popa, Igor	Director general	Consult Group S.R.L.	Moldova

NAME	FUNCTION	COMPANY	COUNTRY
Popa, Stefan D.	President of BCCI, BAC Member, Vice President of USER	BCCI-Bucharest Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Romania
Popescu, Catalin Petru	Director	SC Fresh Line SRL	Moldova
Postolachi, Victor, H.E.	Ambassador	Embassy of the Republic of Moldova to Austria	Moldova
Prado, Oliver		GLOBAL PHONING GROUP	Moldova
Predius, Dmitri		BC Mobiasbanca SA	Moldova
Prisac, Igor	Executive Director	"COMMUNITAS "	Moldova
R			
Razlog, Lilia	National Program Officer	Swedish International Development Agency, Moldova	Sweden/Moldova
Recean, Dorin	Chief Executive Officer	Millenium Group	Moldova
Ristevski, Marjan	Assistant to the Secretary General	Vienna Economic Forum	Austria
Robu, Andrei	Broker	SSIF Broker SA	Romania
Rosetti, Ilinca	General Manager	ICS"ProCredit"S.A.	Moldova
Rotta, Alesandru			
Rusu, Mihai	General Director	Moldova Tur S.A.	Moldova
Russu, Ion	Director	CPIU-IFAD	Moldova
Russu, Lilia	Director	Moldovan Investment and Export Promotion Organisation (MIEPO)	Moldova
Russu, Vladimir	President	Accent Electronic	Moldova
S			
Salamaha, Lurii	Vice Chairman of Managing Board	Finance and Trade Bank JSC	Moldova
Samodurov, Alexandru	Consul	Ambasada Ucrainei in RM	Moldova
Sapunova, Nelia	Traducator	Iunitex	Moldova
Schreiner, Gerald	CEP	Volksbank Romania S.A.	Austria/RO
Scutaru, Sergiu	Local Administrator	"Ungheni-Business"FEZ	Moldova
Shmigaliiov, Serge	Sales Representative Moldova	Microsoft Corporation	Moldova
Sidorenko, Leonid	Principal Banker	Black Sea Trade and Development Bank	Greece
Sinciuc-Engelen, Lilia	Executive Director	Euromol Management Consulting	Moldova
Sirbu, Alexandru	President	Economic Council to the Prime-Minister of Moldova	Moldova
Smolnitchi, Roman	Consultant	Center for Strategic Territorial Development	Moldova
Spivacenco, Anatol	Deputy Minister	Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry of the Republic of Moldova	Moldova
Stakhurskiii, Alexandr	Head of Office Moldova	Stas Marketing Partners	Russia
Stan, Catalina	President & CEO	BDR Associates Communication Group SRL	Moldova
Stascov, Evghenii	Director	"INDEPRIN"S.R.L	Moldova
Stockhammer, Eva	Assistant to the Board of VEF	Vienna Economic Forum	Austria
Stotzner, Volker	Director of Project		Germany
Stratan, Tiberiu	Expert	S.A.I. Muntenia Invest S.A.	Romania
Steiner, Christian, Dr.	Charge d'Affaires a.i./Minister Counsellor/Head of the Coordination Office for Technical Cooperation	Austrian Embassy/Coordination Office for Technical Cooperation Chisinua	Austria
Strelet, Valeriu	General Director	PTC BIOPROTECT Ltd	Moldova

NAME	FUNCTION	COMPANY	COUNTRY
Suetnov, Vladimir	President	BC"Banca Sociala"SA	Moldova
Sukhovich ,Alexandr	Director	Clinica SANFORT	Moldova
Sukhovich, Ana		Clinica SANFORT	Moldova
T			
Tarlev, Vasile, H.E.	Prime Minister	Government of the Republic of Moldova	Moldova
Tengg, Hansjörg	CEO	smart technologies GmbH	Austria
Tietz, Jerad Scott	Acting Executive Director, Director of Members Communications	American Chamber of Commerce in Moldova	USA
Tîrsîn , Oleg	Analist Economic	"Ziarul de Gard "	Moldova
Toporov, Alexei	President	Insurance Company"GARANTIE"	Moldova
Triboi, Radu	Dir. Adj.	SSIF Broker SA	Romania
Trotiuc, Alexandru	Director	Markconect SA	Moldova
Tsekinovskii, Ilia	General Director	CST"AVION"S.A	Moldova
Turilli, Pietro	Country Program Manager	IFAD	Italy
Tîra, Dumitru			
U			
Ulahanova, Svetlana	General Manager	Carat	Moldova
Ungureanu,Tatiana	Chief of semi-finished products dapartment	Orhei-Vit JSC	Moldova
Untura, Pavel	Deputy Minister	Ministry of Transport and Road Industry	Moldova
Ursu,Dumitru	President	Banks Association of Moldova	Moldova
V			
Vieru, Carolina	Managing Director	ICS P.A.A. SRL	Moldova
Viorel, Miron	Project Manager	Hincesti District Concl/ Project Tacis CBC	Moldova
Vlachos, Aristides	President	International Council of Investors	Macedonia
Vladicescu,Mihail	Director	Factory of canned food	Moldova
Voronin, Vladimir, H.E.	President of the Republic of Moldova	President of the Republic of Moldova	Moldova
Vrabie, Natalia	President	CB"Moldova Agroindbank" S.A.	Moldova
W			
Wagner, Meir	General Manager	Silberhorn International	Switzerland
Wolf, Christoph	Member of the Board	TBIH Financial Services Group, Wiener Städtische Versicherung AG, Vienna Insurance Group	Austria
Z			
Zabolotnii, Andrei	Director	Integrated Distribution Projects, member of SystemGroup	Moldova
Zbanca, Sergiu	Financial Director	IM si Leasing Compania Consulting Grup S.A. "IMC Leasing"	Moldova

VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM – MONTENEGRO MEETING

Invest in Montenegro – Invest in the Region
April 14th and 15th, 2008, Bečići, Montenegro





Amb. Dr. Elena KIRTICHEVA

Member of the Board, Secretary General
of Vienna Economic Forum

THE ROLE AND VISION OF VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM – PRESENTING THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR COOPERATION WITH THE REPUBLIC OF MONTENEGRO

Excellencies!

Distinguished Prime Minister Djukanovic!

Distinguished Ministers!

Dear Mr. President

and dear Members of Vienna Economic Forum!

Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen,

representatives of the Montenegrin public and private sector!

Dear Participants from the other countries of the Region

and of other regions!

It is honour and great pleasure to welcome you all here today at the second plenary session of Vienna Economic Forum - Montenegro Meeting. I am honoured to address such an eminent gathering of personalities interested or directly involved in the economic development not only of Montenegro, but also of the whole region. This is because the region of South East Europe is not only strategically of special importance to Europe, but it is also from the economic point the region of the future of Europe.

Allow me to thank the Government of Montenegro for their hospitality in the organization of Vienna Economic Forum-Montenegro Meeting. My special Thanks goes to the Member of the Patrons Committee of Vienna Economic Forum, H.E. Prime Minister Milo Djukanovic, for his support that Vienna Economic Forum- Montenegro Meeting became possible.

I would like to address H.E. Deputy Prime Minister Lazovic and to thank him for the wonderful Cooperation with his Cabinet, which was of great importance in our aim to find the suitable investors on the topics envisaged in the agenda of the Montenegro Meeting. To discuss about these topics, to ask and to find solutions is an important precondition for the economic development not only of Montenegro, but of the whole region.

Many thanks to You, Excellency, Minister Igor Luksic, my respective Co- Chairman of this Plenary Session.

Montenegro will soon celebrate the 2nd anniversary of its independence. In this 2 years Montenegro has clearly indicated

its desire to join the international institutions and to create a business-friendly investment climate.

The biggest improvement Montenegro has made has been in the area of tax policy. The country established the lowest corporate tax rate in the region (9%). Capital structure analyses show that the state still has shares in 65 companies, and in 53.8% of those the state has more than 50% ownership. The banking sector, telecommunications and oil import and distribution in Montenegro are 100% privately owned. The lower VAT rate for tourism is to encourage growth in this strategic industry. Tourism and tourism investments, particularly along the Adriatic coast, are booming. The independent World Travel and Tourism Council repeatedly have ranked Montenegro as the top-growing tourism destination in the world, with growth estimated at 10% annually through 2016.

This all provides a good basis for further and more intensive Cooperation and the Cooperation, ladies and gentleman, is a key word in the concept and in the vision of Vienna Economic Forum. The Cooperation is of great importance not only for this meeting to come true but also for the exchange of information on the economic interests and especially on the topics envisaged in the agenda of the Montenegro Meeting. The cooperation is an important precondition for the economic development of the whole Region. Each of today's topics: "Investment Policy and Infrastructure Projects", "Investment Opportunities in Montenegro" and "Investment Experiences and Investment Needs in Montenegro" is an important basis for consideration and a challenge for further ambitious economic and investment development, not only in Montenegro, but also in the whole Region. The importance of our Region, the Region from the Adriatic to the Black Sea, as a location for investment has increased, and our whole region experiences many impressive developments, and this in a rather short time.

And I strongly believe, Ladies and Gentleman, that Becici is the right (and so wonderful!) place to discuss today with the Members of Vienna Economic Forum, including influential investors like EVN AG, Raiffeisen Investment AG, Hypo Group Alpe Adria,

KELAG-Karntner Elektrizitats AG, Österreichische Post AG/Austrian Post, Vienna Insurance Group, UNIQA International, Siemens AG, Hulla & Co Human Dynamics, smart technologies GmbH, CISMO Clearing Integrated Services and Market Operations, Zentral Holding, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, International Council of Investors and with representatives of Montenegrin companies and business entrepreneurs the various manifestations and economic possibilities in the country. A successful cooperation will be of great importance for the development of the whole Region and will make this part of Europe very prospective in the next decades. And this is our target, the target of Vienna Economic Forum!

Vienna Economic Forum is a platform, where the decision-makers of the region do not only actively discuss initiatives and projects, but they accelerate their implementation. Vienna Economic Forum aims to stimulate the development of transborder projects, to present the opportunities for cooperation and to facilitate the contacts between the actors from the region. Vienna Economic Forum is trying to accumulate and gather the energy, which exists in the region and to provide new possibilities for cooperation and for carrying out projects.

Vienna Economic Forum is concentrating on the support of common interests between the Member Countries for the future of our region. One of the principal objectives of Vienna Economic Forum is to promote the investment opportunities in the Region, as well as to promote the integration processes in and between the countries from the region.

I wanted to stress the importance of regional cooperation. The regional infrastructural projects, projects in finance, energy, transport and communication, telecommunication, agriculture, machinery etc. would provide the basis to link the neighbouring countries, and consequently enhance their economic cooperation. A regional cooperation will contribute to attracting new direct investments in the countries of the Region and extension of intra-regional projects. Our forum today gives us a good opportunity for discussing issues of sustainable development in the Region from the Montenegrin point of view at the highest, but also at a practical level.

To have Vienna Economic Forum in Montenegro is of high importance! I would like to underline two reasons:

First: For further development of Montenegrin's economy it is very important to meet with the Austrian and other investors from the region, who came here with us and to discuss directly the opportunities for cooperation in all these fields, the government of Montenegro gives priority in attracting investments.

Second: With regard to the investment climate in Montenegro our investors need to be ensured that the good legal framework

has also a good implementation. To provide legal security for the investors and additional guarantees for their ownership, to eliminate the administrative barriers - this is definitely one of the preconditions for a successful development of different projects, for a secure business in the country. Here I would like to take the opportunity to address all Montenegrin company representatives who are here to take part in our Meeting in Becici and to find new contacts. Reputable companies are present here to enlarge their networks and to get in touch with you. I hope you all will take this chance and will profit from our meeting.

Some members of Vienna Economic Forum are already represented in Montenegro and in the region or aim to be represented. Most of them have been gaining experience for years and have been trying to contribute to the efforts of developing the region by presenting and exchanging experience of their success stories and best practices.

The experience of Vienna Economic Forum meetings in the last Years shows that we are on the right path. And I am sure that the experience of today's Montenegro Meeting will be still another proof for it. Even a discussion about problems in the Republic of Montenegro, our Members have experienced, can help and can be a beginning to reduce these problems by new investments. I don't think that this has been exploited enough by now and I would encourage our VEF Member to look at the new investment possibilities and to play an active role in making this concept work.

Please allow me to greet all the participants in today's meeting – around 200 participants from 20 countries and also from the South-East European Co-operation Process (SEEC), the South-east European Cooperative Initiative (SECI) from the Council of Europe, from EU Commission, from the OSCE, the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), from International Finance Corporation - World Bank Group. Apart from participants from Montenegro and Austria we have participants from Albania, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Germany, Hungary, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Norway, Russia, Serbia, Slovenia, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom, Ukraine, UNMIK Kosovo and the United States of America.

I wish a good start, very intensive and fruitful discussions, interesting exchange of experience and new suggestions – for the success of all of us here, at the Vienna Economic Forum - Montenegro Meeting in Becici. I hope that today's meeting will be the reason for the participants to meet new partners to cooperate closer together and I hope that there are good signs for cooperation in the Field of the Investment Opportunities in Montenegro. And I am sure that, at the end of this event our purpose to prove Montenegro as a safe and attractive market for foreign investors will be touched.

Thank you!

APRIL 14TH, 2008

15.30 **REGISTRATION** (location: Hotel Splendid)

16.00 **FAMILY PHOTO** (by Invitation)

WELCOME COCKTAIL for all participants
hosted by the GOVERNMENT OF MONTENEGRO (location: Hotel Splendid)

FIRST PLENARY SESSION - INVESTMENT POLICY AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

17.00 - 19.00 **MODERATION AND OPENING**

Dr. Erhard BUSEK, President of Vienna Economic Forum, Special Co-ordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe

WELCOME ADDRESS

H.E. Mr. Milo ĐUKANOVIĆ, Prime Minister of the Government of Montenegro, Patron of Vienna Economic Forum

KEYNOTE SPEECHES

H.E. Dr. Vujica LAZOVIC, Deputy Prime Minister for Economic Policy of the Government of Montenegro

H.E. Mr. Florian RAUNIG, Ambassador, Embassy of the Republic of Austria to Montenegro

Dr. Viktoria KICKINGER, Secretary General, Österreichische Post AG/Austrian Post, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

H.E. Mr. Branimir GVOZDENOVIC, Minister for Economic Development of the Government of Montenegro

H.E. Mr. Leopold MAURER, Ambassador, Delegation of the European Commission to Montenegro

Dr. Erhard BUSEK, President of Vienna Economic Forum, Special Co-ordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe

Q AND A SESSION: DISCUSSION WITH THE AUDIENCE AND CONCLUSION (LED BY THE MODERATOR)

Representatives of the investors from Austria, Members of Vienna Economic Forum, of Montenegrin and companies from other countries

POSSIBILITIES FOR BILATERAL MEETINGS, ORGANISED BY VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM

20.00 **GALA DINNER**, hosted by **H.E. Mr. Milo ĐUKANOVIĆ**, Prime Minister of the Government of Montenegro, Patron of Vienna Economic Forum (by invitation)

APRIL 15TH, 2008

8.00 - 9.00 **REGISTRATION** and **COFFEE** offered by HULLA & CO. HUMAN DYNAMICS KG (location: Hotel Splendid)

SECOND PLENARY SESSION - INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN MONTENEGRO

9.00 - 10.30 **CO-CHAIRMEN AND STATEMENTS**

Amb. Dr. Elena KIRTICHEVA, Member of the Board, Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum
H.E. Dr. Igor LUKSIC, Minister of Finance of the Government of Montenegro

PARTICIPANTS:

H.E. Dr. Andrija LOMPAR, Minister of Transportation, Maritime Affairs and Telecommunication of the Government of Montenegro

Dr. Herbert PRECLI, Commercial Counselor for Serbia, Macedonia & Montenegro; Austrian Federal Economic Chamber

Dr. Petar IVANOVIC, CEO, Montenegrin Investment Promotion Agency (MIPA)

Ms. Margaret RAJKOVIC, Director, Raiffeisen Investment AG, Montenegro

Mr. Ogan SOYSAL, Member of the Executive Board, Marmara Foundation, Istanbul

Dr. Branko JOVANOVIĆ, President of the Board, Lottery of Montenegro

Dr. Brian PORTELLI, Senior Project Manager, Hulla & Co. Human Dynamics KG, member of Vienna Economic Forum

Q AND A SESSION: DISCUSSION WITH THE AUDIENCE (LED BY THE MODERATOR)

Representatives of the investors from Austria, Members of Vienna Economic Forum, of Montenegrin and companies from other countries

10.30 - 11.00 **COFFEE BREAK** offered by KELAG - KÄRNTNER ELEKTRIZITÄTS AG, AUSTRIA (location: Hotel Splendid)

POSSIBILITIES FOR BILATERAL MEETINGS, ORGANISED BY VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM

THIRD PLENARY SESSION - INVESTMENT EXPERIENCES AND INVESTMENT NEEDS IN MONTENEGRO

11.00 - 12.30 **MODERATION AND STATEMENT**

H.E. Mr. Predrag NENEZIĆ, Minister of Tourism and Environmental Protection of the Government of Montenegro

PARTICIPANTS

Dr. Gerhard SCHAUMBERGER, Head of Coordination Office for Technical Cooperation, Embassy of the Republic of Austria to Montenegro

APRIL 15TH, 2008

Mr. Daniel SZASZ, President of the Board of Directors, T-Com Montenegro

Mr. Wilfried GROMMEN, Microsoft's Regional Technology Officer for Central and Eastern Europe

Mr. Christian TOELTL, CEO of Hypo Group Alpe Adria in Montenegro

Mr. Oliver CORLLET, CEO, Porto Montenegro

Mr. Thomas-Michael MAIER, Assistant of the Board, KELAG-Kärntner Elektrizitäts AG, Austria, member of Vienna Economic Forum

Mr. Franz MITTERMAYER, Head of Business Unit Environment, EVN AG, member of Vienna Economic Forum

Q AND A SESSION: DISCUSSION WITH THE AUDIENCE (LED BY THE MODERATOR)

Representatives of the investors from Austria, Members of Vienna Economic Forum, of Montenegrin and companies from other countries

CLOSING PLENARY SESSION

12.30 - 12.45 **MODERATION**

H.E. Dr. Igor LUKSIC, Minister of Finance of the Government of Montenegro

CLOSING REMARKS

H.E. Dr. Vujica LAZOVIC, Deputy Prime Minister for Economic Policy of the Government of Montenegro,

Dr. Erhard BUSEK, Special Co-ordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe, President of Vienna Economic Forum

Representatives of the investors from Austria, Members of Vienna Economic Forum, of Montenegrin and companies from other countries

Followed by **PRESS CONFERENCE** (organized by the Government of Montenegro)

Followed by **LUNCH** Buffet for all Participants, offered by AUSTRIAN POST

END OF VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM - MONTENEGRO MEETING

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria

Current Position: President of Vienna Economic Forum, Former Special Co-ordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe

DR. ERHARD BUSEK

■ Dr. Erhard Busek was born in Vienna, Austria, on March 25, 1941. He received his law degree from the University of Vienna in 1963. During his studies, he also served as Chairman of the Austrian Youth Council.

■ He began his professional career in 1964 as legal adviser to the association of the parliamentarians of the Austrian People's Party. He then served as Secretary General of the Austrian Federation for Trade and Commerce (1968-1975). In 1975 he was appointed Secretary General of the Austrian People's Party and was elected Member of Parliament later that year.

■ Dr. Busek gained additional experience in administration between 1968-1976 while with a publishing firm in the economic field. In 1976 Dr. Busek entered municipal politics. He was City Councilor and was elected Deputy-Mayor of Vienna in 1978, a position he held until 1987. He was appointed Minister for Science and Research in April 1989. From 1994 until May 1995 Dr. Busek was Minister for Education. He was elected Chairman of the Austrian People's Party in 1991 and served as Vice-Chancellor of Austria from 1991 to 1995. In early 2000 Dr. Erhard Busek was appointed as Special Representative of the Austrian Government on EU-Enlargement.

■ Chairman of the "Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe"; President of the European Forum Alpbach and President of Vienna Economic Forum.

PROFILE

Nationality: Belgium

Current Position: GM Regional Technology Officer CEE Region, Microsoft CEE

WILFRIED GROMMEN

■ Wilfried GROMMEN holds a B.S. in civil engineering and electro-mechanical engineering with a specialization in microelectronics from the University of Louvain. Wilfried's expertise was developed at Cimad Consultants/IBM Professional Services, where he headed the technology competencies. From Cimad, he became Industry Services Executive for Capital Markets Region West at IBM, where he managed a consulting team of over 300 people. He was a Founding Partner of CAPCO - Capital Markets Company - a Belgium Financial Services software company and responsible for alliances, technology thought leadership, and delivery. He served as Strategic Marketing and Technology Director at BIM, a Benelux systems integrator, and as Product Marketing Manager for the information systems group at Motorola. He also served as an auditor for European Union research programs (RACE, ACTS). Wilfried Grommen joined Microsoft as General Manager of .NET Platform Strategy Group for EMEA - Europe, Middle East and Asia.

PROFILE

Nationality: Montenegro

Current Position: CEO, Montenegrin Investment Promotion Agency (MIPA)

DR. PETAR IVANOVIC

■ Dr Petar Ivanovic is persistent proponent of the lower taxes, deregulation and free trade. He has become one of the most respected voices advocating stronger role of the private sector in the Montenegrin society and proponing free market ideas. Over the last three years Dr Ivanovic is running Montenegrin Investment Promotion Agency (MIPA) which operates under the Prime Minster Office. Montenegro recorded significant growth in FDI's (383 mil in 2005, 504 mil in 2006 and 672 mil in 2007). MIPA gave strong contribution to these results.

■ Dr Ivanovic holds license to trade futures. He is lecturing at the private university UDG. Ivanovic is one of the founders of the Group 17. Together with Dr Veselin Vukotic, Ivanovic founded several institutions that supported private sector development in Montenegro, such as The Center for Entrepreneurship and Economic Development (established in 1994), The Institute for Strategic Studies and Prognoses (1998) and The Center for Applied Research and Analysis (2002). Ivanovic is also founder and Vice-President of the first private chamber of commerce - Montenegro Business Alliance. All these organizations received international awards.

■ Dr Ivanovic managed ten international projects (including those in Afghanistan and Kosovo) and over 50 project and surveys in Montenegro. He is member of the Monte Pelerin Society, Global Development Network and is listed on Heritage Foundation expert list. He published three books, one textbook and over 90 article. Ivanovic is author or co-author of over 20 published reports and surveys. He participated at over 30 international Conferences and presented papers at the most of them. Ivanovic is also member of Editorial Board of two major economic publications printed in Montenegro: Monet and HSR.

■ Dr Ivanovic is honorary citizen of the Indianapolis, Indiana, USA; president of the Montenegro Tennis Association. He is married, and has two sons (Luka and Sava).

PROFILE

Nationality: Bulgaria

Current Position: Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum

AMBASSADOR DR. ELENA KIRTICHEVA

■ Founder, Member of the Board and Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum.

■ Ambassador Dr. Elena Kirtcheva possesses great administrative and managerial experience in state institutions, government and non-government organizations, academic and teaching experience in low and economic fields, big experience in diplomacy – former ambassador of Bulgaria to Switzerland, Lichtenstein, Finland and Austria. Awarded with the Grand Decoration of Honour in Gold with Sash for Services to the Republic of Austria.

■ She was member of the First democratic Parliament of Republic of Bulgaria and member of commissions and parliament delegations of Republic of Bulgaria in European Council and Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe /OSCE/.

■ She graduated law in Sofia University Kliment Ohridski. PhD in Law.

PROFILE

Nationality: Montenegro

Current Position: Minister, Ministry of Transport, Maritime Affairs and Telecommunications of the Government of Montenegro

ANDRIJA LOMPAR

■ Minister of Maritime Affairs, Transportation and Telecommunications in the Government of Montenegro. He is also a member of the Social Democratic Party of Montenegro.

■ He finished elementary and high school in Kotor and graduated from the School of Mechanical Engineering, in Shipbuilding. In 1981, he received a Master degree from the World Nautical University in Sweden, and in 1988, he received a doctorate from the University of Montenegro. He also holds the "Luća" diploma.

■ Prior to becoming Minister of Maritime Affairs, Transportation and Telecommunications, he was a dean at the Faculty of Marine Studies of the University of Montenegro. He was appointed Minister of Maritime Affairs, Transportation and Telecommunication in January 2003, under Prime Minister Milo Đukanović, but stepped down in January 2006. When Željko Šturanović was appointed as the new Prime Minister of Montenegro, Šturanović appointed Lompar as Minister of Maritime Affairs, Transportation and Telecommunications.

■ As an author and/or co-author, Lompar published a number of studies, and as a permanent or hired consultant, he was working with a number of enterprises mostly from the field of maritime affairs and transport. He leads a team which made it possible for Montenegrin seafarers to be at the IMO "White list" and represents Montenegro on relevant conferences.

■ Lompar is also representative of the University of Montenegro in various integration programmes and reforms of the universities of Southeast Europe in the European educational area.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria

Current Position: Senior Project Manager, Hulla & Co. Human Dynamics KG

BRIAN PORTELLI

■ February 2008 - ongoing: Senior Project Manager, Hulla & Co. Human Dynamics KG, Vienna, Austria

■ November 2006 – January 2008: Manager, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Malta, Advisory and Consultancy Services

■ February 2005 – November 2006: Office of the Prime Minister, Government of Malta, Valletta, Malta, Economic Advisor to the EU Funds Managing Authority

■ August 2005 – November 2006: Malta Enterprise Corporation, Foreign Investment Targeting Manager

■ September 2000 – December 2004: Centre for Technology, Innovation and Culture (TIK), Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Oslo, Norway, Research Fellow in international economics and development

■ October 1995 – August 2000: Government of Malta, Ministry of Finance, Economic Policy Division, Valletta, Senior Economist

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: Austrian
Commercial Counsellor in Belgrade,
Austrian Federal Economic Chamber

DR. HERBERT PRECLIK

- June 2000 – today: Austrian Commercial Counsellor for Serbia, Macedonia, Montenegro and Kosovo in Belgrade
- 1993–2000: Austrian Commercial Counsellor in Tripoli/Libya
- 1991-1993: Deputy-Head of the International Film-registry of the WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organisation), Geneva
- 1990-1991: Investment promotion expert at the UNIDO in Vienna
- 1987- 1989: Homeland assignment in the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber, Department South–East Asia.
- 1984-1987: Commercial Attaché in Paris
- 1981-1984: Commercial Attaché in Peking
- 1978-1981: Commercial Attaché in Abu-Dhabi
- 1977: Joining the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber, Department for Foreign Trade.

PROFILE

Nationality: Montenegro
Current Position: Head of
Representative Office Montenegro,
Raiffeisen Investment AG

MARGARET RAJKOVIC

■ Ms. Rajkovic joined Raiffeisen Investment in 2000 as a Representative for Montenegro. Since then she has been involved in a large number of privatisation and M&A projects. Her duties include financial advisory services to the Agency of Montenegro for Privatisation and Foreign Investment and private clients. She has experience in investment banking and corporate finance services to domestic and international companies in the following sectors: electricity, tourism, telecommunications, steel, mining and construction. Before joining Raiffeisen Investment, she worked with European Training Foundation – National Observatory of Montenegro, World Vision and Middle East Market Research from Cyprus. Margaret holds a BA degrees in business and in technology.



Family Foto



from left to right: President Dr. Busek, H.E. Dr. Lazovic, Dr. Kickinger, H.E. Prime Minister Dukanovic, Amb. Dr. Kirtcheva and Panel



H.E. Mr. Predrag Nenezic, Minister of Tourism and Environmental Protection, Montenegro



from left to right: H.E. Dr. Vujica Lazovic, Dr. Erhard Busek, H.E. Dr. Igor Luksic



from left to right: President Dr. Erhard Busek, H.E. Dr. Vujica Lazovic, Secretary General Amb. Dr. Elena Kirtcheva



Secretary General Amb. Dr. Elena Kirtcheva



TV and media presence at the Forum



from left to right: H.E. Kalamperovic, Amb. Dr. Kirtcheva, Dr. Kickinger, Dr. Busek, H.E. Dr. Lompar



from left to right: H.E. Mr. Milo Dukanovic, Prime Minister of the Government of Montenegro; Dr. Erhard Busek



from left to right: H.E. Mr. Predrag Nenezic, Amb. Dr. Elena Kirtcheva, H.E. Dr. Andrija Lompar



from left to right: H.E. Dr. Lazovic, H.E. Mr. Jusuf Kalamperovic, Amb. Dr. Kirtcheva, H.E. Dr. Lompar



from left to right: Prof. Waltraud Steinböck; H.E. Milo Dukanovic, Prime Minister of the Government of Montenegro; Secretary General Amb. Dr. Elena Kirtcheva

VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM - MONTENEGRO MEETING

April 14th and 15th, 2008, Splendid, Bečići, Montenegro

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Achatz, Bernd, Dr.	CEO	Hypo-Aple-Adria Leasing	Montenegro
Ajdini, Bashkim	Journalist	Kosovo Post	UNMIK Kosovo
Alme, Roar	Senior Business Developer	Statkraft AS	Norway
Andric, Nikola	Director of Belgrade Tourist Fair	Belgrade Fair	Serbia
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VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM – TIRANA MEETING

Invest in Albania – Invest in the Region
June 8th and 9th, 2008, Tirana, Albania





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THE ROLE AND VISION OF VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM – PROMOTING THE INTEGRATION PROCESS WITH ALBANIA AND THE NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES

Excellencies!

Distinguished Ms Jozefina Topalli, Speaker of the Albanian Parliament, Dr. Michael Spindelegger, Second President of the Austrian Parliament and Members of the both parliamentary delegations!

Distinguished Ministers, Ambassadors,

Ladies and Gentlemen, representatives of the Albanian public and private sector!

Dear Mr. President

and dear Members of Vienna Economic Forum!

Dear Participants from the other countries of the Region and of other regions!

It is honour and great pleasure to welcome you all here today at the Third Plenary Session of Vienna Economic Forum - Tirana Meeting.

Allow me to thank the Government of Albania for their hospitality in the organization of Vienna Economic Forum-Tirana Meeting. My special Thanks goes to the Member of the Patrons Committee of Vienna Economic Forum, H.E. Prime Minister Prof. Dr. Sali Berisha, for his support that Vienna Economic Forum- Tirana Meeting became possible. I would like to thank him for the wonderful Cooperation with his Cabinet, which was of great importance in our aim to find the suitable investors on the topics of our Tirana Meeting today.

Many thanks to You, Excellency, Minister Genc Ruli, my respective Co- Chairman of this Plenary Session, and especially for the excellent Cooperation with Albinvest, which was done in a real European way.

Albania is currently undergoing an intensive macroeconomic restructuring regime with the International Monetary Fund and World Bank.

Albania is trying to attract foreign investment and promote domestic investment.

Business growth is expected in the next years in Albania's energy and transportation infrastructure.

The recent invitation for Albania to become a full NATO member will give an immediate boost to the Albanian economy..

This all provides a good basis for further and more intensive Cooperation and the Cooperation, ladies and gentleman, is a key word in the concept and in the vision of Vienna Economic Forum.

And I strongly believe, that Tirana is the right place to discuss today with the Members of Vienna Economic Forum, including influential Austrian investors (like EVN AG, Raiffeisen Zentral Bank, Österreichische Post AG/Austrian Post, SIGMA Vienna Insurance Group, UNIQA International, Soravia Group, EXAA – Member of CISMO Group, AME International) and with representatives of Albanian companies and business entrepreneurs the various manifestations and economic possibilities in the country.

One of the principal objectives of Vienna Economic Forum is to promote the investment opportunities in the Region, as well as to promote the integration processes in and between the countries from the region.

To have Vienna Economic Forum in Tirana is of high importance! I would like to underline two reasons:

First: For further development of Albania's economy it is very important to meet with the Austrian and other investors from the region, who came here with us and to discuss directly the opportunities for cooperation in all these fields, the government of Albania gives priority in attracting investments.

Second: To provide legal security for the investors and additional guarantees for their ownership, to eliminate the administrative barriers - this is definitely one of the

preconditions for a successful development of different projects, for a secure business in the country.

Here I would like to take the opportunity to address all Albanian company representatives who are here to take part in our Meeting in Tirana and to find new contacts. Reputable companies are present here to enlarge their networks and to get in touch with you. I hope you all will take this chance and will profit from our meeting.

In the field of Direct Investments the Austrian presence in Albania is rather small, compared with other countries in South Eastern Europe.

But the special interest of the Austrian economy in Albania today can also be seen in the participation of 33 companies from Austria and 140 companies from the region in our Vienna Economic Forum – Tirana Meeting today.

And furthermore – also in the interesting mixture of participants: We are proud that under the umbrella of Vienna Economic Forum – Tirana Meeting we have combined several activities, which can be described as „Austrian days“ in Albania.

And I am especially proud that shortly we will also participate in the Ceremony of Signing of the Agreement “Technology related cooperation in the health sector” between Austria and Albania with H.E. Minister Nard Ndoka, Minister for Health of the Republic of Albania and the State Secretary of the Federal Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology of Austria Mrs. Christa Kranzl.

This is a practical result of the Austrian Albanian cooperation. The experience of Vienna Economic Forum meetings in the last years shows that we are on the right path. And I am sure that the experience of today's Tirana Meeting will be still another proof for it. Even a discussion about problems in the Republic of Albania, which our Members have experienced, can help and can be a beginning to reduce these problems by new investments. I don't think that this has been exploited enough by now and I would encourage our VEF Members to look at the new investment possibilities and to play an active role in making our concept work.

I am very pleased to greet all the participants in today's meeting – around 270 participants from 20 countries and also from the Regional Cooperation Council (RCC), from the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), from the International Monetary Fund (IMF), from The Energy Community Secretariat Vienna.

Apart from participants from Albania and Austria we have participants from Bulgaria, Croatia, Dubai, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Kosovo, Macedonia, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Switzerland, Turkey and the United Kingdom.

I wish a good start, very intensive and fruitful discussions, interesting exchange of experience and new suggestions – for the success of all of us here, at the Vienna Economic Forum - Tirana Meeting.

Thank you!

JUNE 8TH, 2008

14:30 **REGISTRATION and WELCOME COCKTAIL** for all participants hosted by Raiffeisen Zentral Bank Österreich AG, Member of Vienna Economic Forum

15:15 **FAMILY PHOTO** (by Invitation)

15:30 - 17:00 **FIRST PLENARY SESSION – INVESTMENT POLICY:
HOW TO SUPPORT AND DEVELOP INVESTORS INTERESTS AND INVESTMENT PROJECTS IN ALBANIA**

MODERATION AND OPENING

Dr. Erhard BUSEK, President of Vienna Economic Forum, Former Vice-Chancellor of Austria, Special Co-ordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe

WELCOME ADDRESS

H.E. Prof. Dr. Sali BERISHA, Prime Minister of the Republic of Albania, Patron of Vienna Economic Forum

KEYNOTE SPEECHES

H.E. Mr. Ridvan BODE, Minister of Finance of the Republic of Albania

Dr. Michael SPINDELEGGGER, Second President of the Austrian Parliament

Ms. Jozefina TOPALLI, Speaker of the Albanian Parliament

Mr. Hidajet BISCEVIC, Secretary General of the Regional Cooperation Council (RCC)

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Q AND A SESSION: DISCUSSION WITH THE AUDIENCE AND CONCLUSION (LED BY THE MODERATOR)
Representatives of the Government of the Republic of Albania, of Institutions and of the investors from Austria, Members of Vienna Economic Forum, of companies from Albania and other countries from the Region

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17:00 - 17:30 **COFFEE BREAK**, offered by EXAA – The Austrian Energy Exchange, member of CISMOgroup, Member of Vienna Economic Forum

17:30 - 19:00 **SECOND PLENARY SESSION –
THE EUROPEAN PRIORITIES IN THE ENERGY SECTOR FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE REGION**

MODERATOR

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Possibilities for Bilateral Meetings, organised by Vienna Economic Forum for Members of Vienna Economic Forum

20:00 **GALA DINNER** hosted by H.E. Prof. Dr. Sali Berisha, Prime Minister of the Republic of Albania, Patron of Vienna Economic Forum (by invitation)

JUNE 9TH, 2008

8:00 - 9:00 **REGISTRATION** and **COFFEE**, offered by SIGMA Vienna Insurance Group, Member of Vienna Economic Forum

9:00 - 11:00 **THIRD PLENARY SESSION - SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE REGION - CASES OF PROBLEMS, NEEDS AND SOLUTIONS IN DIFFERENT SECTORS OF THE ECONOMY**

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Mr. Erkan ÖRÜN, CEO, Real Estate Development Soravia Group, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

Dr. Willibald PLESSER, Co-Head of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer for CEE and CIS, Member of Vienna Economic Forum

CLOSING REMARKS

Dr. Erhard BUSEK, President of Vienna Economic Forum, Former Vice-Chancellor of Austria, Special Coordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe

Representatives of the Government of the Republic of Albania, of Institutions and of the investors from Austria, Members of Vienna Economic Forum, of companies from Albania and other countries from the Region

JUNE 9TH, 2008

11:00 - 11:30 **CEREMONY OF SIGNING OF THE AGREEMENT
“TECHNOLOGY RELATED COOPERATION IN THE HEALTH SECTOR” BETWEEN ALBANIA AND AUSTRIA**

with **H.E. Minister Nard NDOKA**, Minister for Health of the Republic of Albania and

Ms. Christa KRANZL, State Secretary at the Federal Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology of the Federal Republic of Austria

followed by **PRESS CONFERENCE**

11:30 **BUFFETT** offered by EVN AG, Member of Vienna Economic Forum Possibilities for Bilateral Meetings, organised by Vienna Economic Forum for Members of Vienna Economic Forum

12:30 **END OF VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM – TIRANA MEETING**

PROFILE

Nationality: Albania

Current Position: General Director,
KESH Albanian Power Corporation

GJERGJ BOJAXHI

■ He has graduated in the U.S.A., where he studied Philosophy. He has also received a master's degree in International Relations from "John Hopkins University, School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) Washington, DC, U.S.A". His past experience includes working for the World Bank, according to his published resume.

Mr. Bojaxhi's first job as the new director of KESH will be to provide sources for funds to cover the expensive bill for electricity imports.

■ KESH incased USD 240mn in 2005, while profits were at USD 70mn. But the company will need at least USD 180mn to cover for electricity import costs. During February, KESH paid USD 33mn for imports and has signed several agreements to import a further USD 40mn for March, pushing its financial resources to the limit.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria

Current Position: President
of Vienna Economic Forum, Former
Special Co-ordinator of the Stability
Pact for South Eastern Europe

DR. ERHARD BUSEK

■ Dr. Erhard Busek was born in Vienna, Austria, on March 25, 1941. He received his law degree from the University of Vienna in 1963. During his studies, he also served as Chairman of the Austrian Youth Council.

■ He began his professional career in 1964 as legal adviser to the association of the parliamentarians of the Austrian People's Party. He then served as Secretary General of the Austrian Federation for Trade and Commerce (1968-1975). In 1975 he was appointed Secretary General of the Austrian People's Party and was elected Member of Parliament later that year.

■ Dr. Busek gained additional experience in administration between 1968-1976 while with a publishing firm in the economic field. In 1976 Dr. Busek entered municipal politics. He was City Councilor and was elected Deputy-Mayor of Vienna in 1978, a position he held until 1987. He was appointed Minister for Science and Research in April 1989. From 1994 until May 1995 Dr. Busek was Minister for Education. He was elected Chairman of the Austrian People's Party in 1991 and served as Vice-Chancellor of Austria from 1991 to 1995. In early 2000 Dr. Erhard Busek was appointed as Special Representative of the Austrian Government on EU-Enlargement.

■ Chairman of the "Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe"; President of the European Forum Alpbach and President of Vienna Economic Forum.

PROFILE

Nationality: Albania

Current Position: Governor, Bank of
Albania

MR. ARDIAN FULLANI

■ Mr. Ardian Fullani graduated from Faculty of Economy in Finance and from Faculty of Law, University of Tirana, respectively in 1977 and 1991.

■ He has extensive experience and in-depth knowledge of the banking sector in Albania and abroad. He started working at the State Bank of Albania in 1985 and in 1987 was appointed Deputy Director of Foreign Department and worked in this capacity until 1990. From 1990-1992 he was Head of Foreign Department at the Albanian Commercial Bank.

■ Mr. Ardian Fullani joined the Bank of Albania in 1992, in the capacity of the Deputy Governor of the Bank of Albania and further on, during 1993-1996, he was appointed Director of Foreign Department. He gave his valuable contribution to create the modern central bank in Albania, prepare the regulatory framework of the Bank of Albania especially with regard to the foreign exchange market, foreign reserve management policies, as well as to design and coordinate the Bank of Albania strategies for the intermediation and cooperation with the IMF, WB, EBRD and other international financial institutions.

■ Mr. Fullani has been the coordinator of foreign financed investment projects in Albania (including FEFAD, Foundation for Enterprise Finance and Development, and KFW, Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau). He has been the Albanian Coordinator for the establishment and licensing of the first joint-stock commercial banks (the Italian Albanian Bank and the Arab Albanian Islamic Bank); Coordinator and participant in the Albanian External Debt Committee of the Paris Club and Advisory Committee of 40 crediting banks to restructure and settle Albania's outstanding external debt.

During 1996-1997, Mr. Fullani focused his career on consultancy in national and international development projects such as: German-Albanian projects on financing small and medium-size enterprises in agriculture and agro-industry; on restructuring and institutionalization of the foreign exchange market, and development of capital market in Albania; on capital market analysis in Albania. He has also co-conducted a study on risks and consequences of formalization, restructuring and transformation of pyramid schemes in Albania.

■ His experience with the Italian-Albanian Bank includes the period 1997- 2004, initially as Deputy General Manager and Head of the Financial Department (1997-2000) and later on as General Manager (2000-2004). He has been also working in the capacity of President of the Albanian Association of Banks, Chairman of the Institute of Banking Studies and Assistance, as well as Commissioner of the Albanian Securities Commission.

■ He has also written many articles and scientific papers on economic and financial issues. He is fluent in three foreign languages: English, Italian and German.

■ Mr. Ardian Fullani is the Governor of the Bank of Albania and Member of its Supervisory Council since October 2004.

PROFILE

Nationality: Bulgaria
Current Position: Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum

AMBASSADOR DR. ELENA KIRTICHEVA

- Founder, Member of the Board and Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum.
- Ambassador Dr. Elena Kirtcheva possesses great administrative and managerial experience in state institutions, government and non-government organizations, academic and teaching experience in law and economic fields, big experience in diplomacy – former ambassador of Bulgaria to Switzerland, Lichtenstein, Finland and Austria. Awarded with the Grand Decoration of Honour in Gold with Sash for Services to the Republic of Austria.
- She was member of the First democratic Parliament of Republic of Bulgaria and member of commissions and parliament delegations of Republic of Bulgaria in European Council and Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe /OSCE/.
- She graduated law in Sofia University Kliment Ohridski. PhD in Law.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: Co-Head of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer for CEE and CIS

DR. WILLIBALD PLESSER

- Willibald Plesser has been a partner of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer since 1987 and works in the Vienna office. He is a member of our corporate practice group and specialises in mergers and acquisitions, corporate law, energy law, contract law and investments in eastern Europe. He has also been instrumental in building up our office in Bratislava. He is the firm’s joint managing partner for Central and Eastern Europe (CEE).
- Willibald was born in Haide, Austria, in 1955. He received his legal and philosophical education at the University of Vienna, from where he holds a Doctor of Laws (Dr iur) degree and a Master of Philosophy in English and History (Mag phil). He is active in the International Bar Association, including its section on Energy and Resources Law, and is a lecturer and the author of various publications on CEE topics. He was admitted to the Austrian Bar in 1986.
- Willibald joined the firm in 1981 and speaks German and English.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: Managing Director, AME International GmbH

HEINZ MESSINGER

- Managing Director AME Vienna. Master of Law, Bachelor of Export. More than 10 years of experience in international hospital projects in more than 10 countries.
- 1995 to date: AME International GmbH, Vienna, Austria. Managing Director
- since 2003: AME Project Consulting GmbH, Vienna, Austria. Managing Director
- 1993 - 1995: VAME ENGINEERING Medical and Hospital Engineering Co. Ltd., Vienna, Austria. Assistant to the Director International Contracting
- 1992 - 1993: Several Courts, Vienna, Austria. Assistant to a judge

PROFILE

Nationality: Netherlands
Current Position: CEO VERBUND-Beteiligungs GmbH

DR. ERIK REGTER

- Geboren 1964 in Apeldoorn/Holland. Studium der Betriebswissenschaft an der Universität Groningen in Holland. Seit 1995 leitende Positionen in diversen internationalen Energieunternehmen (u. a. EnBW-Gruppe und Essent). Seit August 2007 Geschäftsführer der VERBUND-BeteiligungsgmbH

PROFILE

Nationality: Albania
Current Position: Director, Research Department, Bank of Albania

ALTIN TANKU

- November 2007- present: Director, Research Department, Bank of Albania
- June - November 2007: Deputy Director, Research Department, Bank of Albania
- 2001: Senior Economist, Research Department, Monetary Policy Division, Bank of Albania. Main responsibility included conducting research on monetary policies and financial markets.
- 1994 - 2001: Chief, Balance of Payment Unit, Bank of Albania.
- 1993 - 1994: Specialist, Balance of Payment Unit, Bank of Albania. Responsible for: compiling the current account statistics.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: Executive Board, EXAA, Member of CISMO-group

JÜRGEN R. WAHL

- Jürgen Wahl has studied Agriculture in Vienna and Business Administration and International Trade in Vienna and at the University of Minnesota, USA. He spent his whole professional career in the energy industry and the environmental sector. From 1997 onwards he spent 5 years in the public administration coordinating energy politics with special emphasis on the integration of renewable energy sources into the new Austrian legal energy framework.
- In 2002 he started to work as a project manager and business consultant for an Austrian engineering and consulting company in the energy sector. In 2005 he changed into the gas industry by setting up a gas trading business in Austria for an international energy utility. He joined EXAA as an Executive Board Member in July 2006.



Opening



H.E. Prof. Dr. Sali Berisha,
Prime Minister of the Republic of Albania



from left to right: Ms. Jozefina Topalli, Speaker of the Albanian Parliament; Dr. Erhard Busek



Ceremony of Signing of the of the Agreement "Technology Related Cooperation in the Health Sector" between Albania and Austria



from left to right: H.E. Mr. Genc Ruli, Minister of Economy, Trade and Energy of the Republic of Albania; Amb. Dr. Elena Kirtcheva; Dr. Erhard Busek



Audience



Dr. Günther Ofner, EVN, Member of Vienna Economic Forum



from left to right: H.E. Mr. Sokol Olldashi, Amb. Dr. Elena Kirtcheva



Dr. Willibald Plesser, Co-Head of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, Member of Vienna Economic Forum



Dr. Viktoria Kicking, Secretary General of Österreichische Post AG, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum



from left to right: Secretary General Amb. Dr. Elena Kirtcheva, H.E. Prof. Dr. Sali Berisha



from left to right: Secretary General Amb. Dr. Elena Kirtcheva, H.E. Mr. Genc Ruli

VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM - TIRANA MEETING

June 8th and 9th, 2008, Tirana, Albania

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A			
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Alavi, Abdul Waheed		United Bank of Albania	Albania
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VIENNA ECONOMIC TALKS – PLEVEN MEETING

in cooperation with the Bulgarian Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works and H.E. Minister Asen Gagauzov and with the kind hospitality of the Mayor of Pleven, Mr. Naiden Zelenogorski in cooperation with many representatives of municipalities and decision-makers on municipality level of different Bulgarian cities
June 30th and July, 1st 2008, City of Pleven, Bulgaria



Amb. Dr. Elena KIRTICHEVA

Member of the Board, Secretary General
of Vienna Economic Forum

VIENNA ECONOMIC TALKS – PLEVEN MEETING

*Sehr geehrter Herr Deputy Minister Datzov,
sehr geehrte Teilnehmer des Ministeriums
für Regionale Entwicklung und Bauwirtschaft,
sehr geehrter Herr Bürgermeister Zelenogorski,
sehr geehrte Mitglieder des Vienna Economic Forum,
sehr geehrte Damen und Herren,*

ich freue mich besonders, Sie heute bei unserer Veranstaltung „Vienna Economic Talks – Pleven Meeting“ begrüßen zu dürfen.

Ich bin sehr stolz, dass das Vienna Economic Forum sich weiterentwickelt und beständig wächst, sodass wir heute mit diesem Pleven Meeting unsere erste Konferenz unserer neuen Veranstaltungsreihe beginnen – Vienna Economic Talks, und dass wir diese gerade in Bulgarien, in Pleven, abhalten können.

Wir können heute 20 Teilnehmer unserer Mitglieder des Vienna Economic Forum hier begrüßen sowie zirka 25 Bürgermeister der Bulgarischen Gemeinden und andere Teilnehmer aus Bulgarien.

Gerade für die lokalen Gemeinden sind die Themen, die wir in unserem „Vienna Economic Talks – Pleven Meeting“ behandeln werden, von großem Interesse: Regionale Entwicklung / Städtesanierung, Transportprobleme, das Müllproblem, die Situation von Wasser und Abwasser in verschiedenen bulgarischen Gemeinden.

Ich wünsche einen erfolgreichen Start, interessante Diskussionen und Gespräche und eröffne hiermit unsere Veranstaltung „Vienna Economic Talks – Pleven Meeting“.

JUNE 30TH, 2008

13:15	LANDING of Delegation of Vienna Economic Forum in Sofia and Transfer to Pleven, Park-Hotel “Kailaka”
16.00	OPENING of Pleven Meeting, Building of Pleven Region, Hall “Pleven” 1st Floor MODERATION Dr. Erhard BUSEK , President of Vienna Economic Forum WELCOME WORDS Mr. Naiden ZELENOGORSKI , Mayor of Pleven OPENING STATEMENTS Mr. Venelin VANDOV , Director “Directorate Eurocoordination and PR”, Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works Amb. Dr. Elena KIRTICHEVA , Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum
16: 30 - 17.30	FIRST PLENARY SESSION - REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT / MUNICIPAL RECONSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT FOR THE BETTER AND FASTER USE OF STRUCTURAL FUNDS STATEMENTS Mr. Lyubomir DATZOV , Deputy Minister of Finance Monitoring and Coordinating the EU funding in Bulgaria WHR Mag. Georg SCHACHINGER , CEO Regionalmanagement Burgenland, Austria How to Submit and better and faster Use Structural Funds of the EU – Practical Hints Q AND A SESSION WITH THE AUDIENCE (LED BY THE MODERATOR) Investors and Companies, Members of Vienna Economic Forum, Representatives of Bulgarian municipalities, Representatives of Embassies of the Member States of Vienna Economic Forum in Bulgaria
17:30 - 18:00	COFFEE BREAK and NETWORKING

JUNE 30TH, 2008

18:00 - 19.15 **SECOND PLENARY SESSION - TRANSPORT PROBLEMS, THE WASTE PROBLEM, THE SITUATION OF WATER AND WASTE WATER IN DIFFERENT BULGARIAN MUNICIPALITIES**

Q AND A SESSION WITH THE AUDIENCE (LED BY THE MODERATOR)

SHORT STATEMENTS OF AUSTRIAN INVESTORS AND BULGARIAN PARTICIPANTS

Hannes ROTH, CEO Saubermacher, Austria

Representative of Bulgarian Mayors

Dr. Michael ANGERER, Austrian Trade Attaché in Sofia

Investors and Companies, Members of Vienna Economic Forum, Representatives of Bulgarian municipalities, Representatives of Embassies of the Member States of Vienna Economic Forum in Bulgaria

19:15 - 19.30 **CLOSING REMARKS AND CONCLUSIONS**

Dr. Erhard BUSEK, President of Vienna Economic Forum

20.00 **DINNER**, Host: Mayor Mr. Naiden ZELENOGORSKI, Municipality of Pleven, Park-Hotel "Kailaka"

JULY 1ST, 2008

POSSIBILITIES FOR BILATERAL TALKS, LOCAL VISITS ETC.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: President of Vienna Economic Forum, Former Special Co-ordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe

DR. ERHARD BUSEK

- Dr. Erhard Busek was born in Vienna, Austria, on March 25, 1941. He received his law degree from the University of Vienna in 1963. During his studies, he also served as Chairman of the Austrian Youth Council.
He began his professional career in 1964 as legal adviser to the association of the parliamentarians of the Austrian People's Party. He then served as Secretary General of the Austrian Federation for Trade and Commerce (1968-1975). In 1975 he was appointed Secretary General of the Austrian People's Party and was elected Member of Parliament later that year.
Dr. Busek gained additional experience in administration between 1968-1976 while with a publishing firm in the economic field. In 1976 Dr. Busek entered municipal politics. He was City Councilor and was elected Deputy-Mayor of Vienna in 1978, a position he held until 1987. He was appointed Minister for Science and Research in April 1989. From 1994 until May 1995 Dr. Busek was Minister for Education. He was elected Chairman of the Austrian People's Party in 1991 and served as Vice-Chancellor of Austria from 1991 to 1995. In early 2000 Dr. Erhard Busek was appointed as Special Representative of the Austrian Government on EU-Enlargement.
Chairman of the "Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe"; President of the European Forum Alpbach and President of Vienna Economic Forum.

PROFILE

Nationality: Bulgaria
Current Position: Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum

AMBASSADOR DR. ELENA KIRTICHEVA

- Founder, Member of the Board and Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum.
Ambassador Dr. Elena Kirtcheva possesses great administrative and managerial experience in state institutions, government and non-government organizations, academic and teaching experience in law and economic fields, big experience in diplomacy - former ambassador of Bulgaria to Switzerland, Lichtenstein, Finland and Austria. Awarded with the Grand Decoration of Honour in Gold with Sash for Services to the Republic of Austria.
She was member of the First democratic Parliament of Republic of Bulgaria and member of commissions and parliament delegations of Republic of Bulgaria in European Council and Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe /OSCE/.
She graduated law in Sofia University Kliment Ohridski. PhD in Law.



Opening



from left to right: Secretary General Amb. Dr. Elena Kirtcheva, President Dr. Busek, Mayor Mr. Naiden Zelenogorski



Panel Session



Plenary Session



from left to right: Dr. Busek, President of Vienna Economic Forum; Mr. Naiden Zelenogorski, Mayor of Plevn



from left to right: Dr. Busek receiving key for honorary citizenship of the City of Plevn by Mayor Mr. Zelenogorski

VIENNA ECONOMIC TALKS - PLEVEN MEETINGJune 30th and July 1st, 2008, City of Pleven, Bulgaria

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5th JUBILEE VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM

Investment Possibilities from the Adriatic
to the Black Sea and the Caspian Region. Take the Real Chance
November 10th and 11th, 2008, Raiffeisen Zentral Bank, Vienna





Amb. Dr. Elena KIRTICHEVA

Member of the Board, Secretary General
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5 JAHRE VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM – ERFOLG DURCH REGIONALE KOOPERATION

Exzellenzen!

*Sehr geehrter Herr Präsident,
Werte Mitglieder des Vienna Economic Forum!*

*Verehrte Damen und Herren Teilnehmer
am 5. Vienna Economic Forum!*

Es ist mir eine Ehre, Sie heute bei unserem 5. Vienna Economic Forum begrüßen zu dürfen, einem Jubiläums-Forum, auf dessen gute und erfolgreiche Entwicklung wir uns besonders heute, in spezifischen Zeiten der wirtschaftlichen Situation, freuen können. Nicht nur weil das Vienna Economic Forum in den letzten 5 Jahren beständig gewachsen ist, sondern weil die vor 5 Jahren gegründete Plattform an Bedeutung und Anerkennung gewonnen hat und sich zu einem wichtigen Platz der Definition, der Entdeckung und der Realisierung der Investitionsmöglichkeiten im südosteuropäischen Raum, in der Region von der Adria bis zum Schwarzen Meer, vom Standort Wien aus, bewiesen hat!

Es ist mir eine besondere Freude, heute mehr als 530 Teilnehmer aus 37 Ländern und internationalen Organisationen (sowie OPEC, Energy Community Secretariat, IETI Europa (Institute for European Training and Information), South-East European Cooperation Process (SEECP), Regional Cooperation Council mit Sitz in Sarajevo und UNIDO, United Nations Industrial Development Organization) begrüßen zu dürfen.

Gründung

Gerne erinnere ich mich an die Zeit der Gründung und möchte mich für die tatkräftige Unterstützung bei den „Gründungsvätern“ des Vienna Economic Forum bedanken: bei Herrn Bundesminister Dr. Martin Bartenstein, Bundesminister für Wirtschaft und Arbeit, bei unserem ersten Präsidenten Herrn Dr. Josef Taus von der Management Trust Holding AG, Herrn Mag. Andreas Treichl, Generaldirektor der Erste Bank, Dkfm. Karl Fink, Generaldirektor der Wiener Städtischen Versicherung AG - Vienna Insurance

Group, Dr. Rudolf Gruber, Präsident des Aufsichtsrates, EVN AG, Dr. Wolfgang Ruttenstorfer, Generaldirektor der OMV AG, Dr. Andreas Brandstetter, Mitglied des Vorstands der UNIQA Versicherungen AG, Dr. Herbert Stepic, Vorstandsvorsitzender, Raiffeisen International Bank-Holding AG und Gen.Dir.Stv., Raiffeisen Zentralbank Österreich AG, Dr. Veit Sorger, Präsident der Industriellenvereinigung, Dr. Boris Nemsic, Vorstandsvorsitzender der Telekom Austria Gruppe und mobilkom austria, KR Hanno Soravia, Geschäftsführer der Soravia Gruppe, wie auch bei dem damaligen Präsidenten der Austrian Airlines, der BAWAG und bei Dr. Andreas Calice.

Ein gebührender Dank geht speziell an unserem Präsidenten Vizekanzler a. D. Dr. Erhard Busek, der alle seine Kenntnisse, Erfahrungen und Kräfte jahrelang und unermüdlich dieser Region gewidmet hat und weiters widmet. (Dank allen diesen großen Männern darf ich mich, als, obwohl die einzige „Gründungsmutter“ glücklich schätzen)

Das Schlüsselwort „Kooperation“

Meine Damen und Herren, ich werde es nie müde sein zu wiederholen, dass das Schlüsselwort des Vienna Economic Forum, seit dem Anfang an, das Wort „Kooperation“ ist. Und gerade heutzutage erleben wir hautnah, wie wichtig die Kooperation ist. Ein aktuelles Beispiel haben wir vor Kurzem in der EU-Kooperation von Maßnahmen in der Krise erlebt.

Unser Anliegen im Oktober 2004 war es, die südosteuropäische Region durch verstärkte wirtschaftliche regionale Kooperation zu einem besonderen Ort des Investitionsinter-

esses zu machen. Von dieser Überzeugung geführt haben wir die Herausforderung wahrgenommen, die wirtschaftliche Entwicklung der Länder von der Adria bis zum Schwarzen Meer zu unterstützen und durch Kooperation die gesamte ökonomische Entwicklung der Region zu fördern. Und wir haben dabei in Jahrzehnten und nicht in Regierungsperioden gedacht und denken demgemäß weiter. In diese Richtung freuen wir uns heute mitgewirkt gehabt zu haben und weiter mitwirken zu dürfen.

In den letzten fünf Jahren sind viele Entscheidungsträger und Investoren aus Österreich und anderen Ländern sowie den Mitgliedsländern des Vienna Economic Forum erfolgreich zusammengebracht worden, und so Impulse gegeben worden, wir haben gemeinsame Projekte unterstützt und konkrete Aktivitäten gestartet. Und das ist die wichtigste Aufgabe des Vienna Economic Forum.

Und die neuen wissenschaftlichen Ergebnisse der Forschung der Evolution, meine Damen und Herren, geben uns recht: Die Evolution beruht nicht auf der Konkurrenz, sondern auf der Kooperation.

Geschichte

Nach fünf Jahren haben wir schon eine Geschichte als Vienna Economic Forum, und traditionellerweise halten wir, wie heute, unser jährliches Meeting Anfang November in Wien ab, und während des Jahres organisieren wir unsere Foren in der Region. Wir waren in den vergangenen fünf Jahren in Bukarest und Belgrad, in Ohrid in Mazedonien und in Istanbul, in Chisinau, in Becici in Montenegro und in Tirana. Und nicht nur die Zahl der Teilnehmer hat sich

von Meeting zu Meeting vergrößert, sondern auch die Zahl der konkreten Geschäfte und der geschäftlichen Kontakte. Wir konnten auch Regierungsvertreter der Region bewegen, sich mit dem einen oder anderen Thema näher zu befassen, und so wurden Investitionsmöglichkeiten geschaffen. Und das positive internationale Echo zeigt uns, dass wir auf dem richtigen Weg sind.

Die Region erfährt viele Entwicklungen und dies in einer sehr kurzen Zeit. Die wirtschaftliche Entwicklung bleibt beeindruckend, und es ist eine große Herausforderung für Investoren. Der südosteuropäische Markt liegt weiter auf der Sonnenseite der Wirtschaft, meine Damen und Herren! Die noch größere Zahl der Teilnehmer heuer zeigt uns das Vertrauen, dass das Zusammenkommen, um zu diskutieren, zu überlegen, Ideen auszutauschen, von den Kenntnissen unserer Sprecher und Teilnehmern zu profitieren, von den besten Erfahrungen zu hören und zu lernen, gerade jetzt sehr wichtig ist. Wer in der Zeit einer Vertrauenskrise Vertrauen bildet, zählt zu den Siegern! Und wir wollen gerade heute die Investoren und Unternehmer in ihrem Vertrauen in diesen Markt unterstützen. Das macht gerade in Krisenzeiten den Sinn von Vienna Economic Forum mehr als ersichtlich!

Erlauben Sie mir heute und hier unser Motto zu erweitern und Sie zum weiteren Mitmachen einzuladen: **„Go South East - Go Ahead!“**

„Unsere“ Region verdient es!

Danke Ihnen für das Vertrauen!

NOVEMBER 9TH, 2008

19:00 **WELCOME COCKTAIL** for the participants at the 5th Vienna Economic Forum, hosted by Mrs. Elisabeth GÜRTLER, Honorary Member and Cooperation partner of Vienna Economic Forum at Hotel Sacher Vienna (by invitations)

NOVEMBER 10TH, 2008

08:00 - 9:00 **REGISTRATION** and **COFFEE** offered by Raiffeisen Zentralbank Österreich AG and Raiffeisen International Bank-Holding AG

08:30 - 08:45 **FAMILY PHOTO** (by invitations)

09:00 - 10:30 **DAY 1 – FIRST PLENARY SESSION - FINANCING OF INVESTMENTS: ASSISTANCE FROM THE EU AND INTERNATIONAL FINANCE INSTITUTIONS**

MODERATION AND OPENING

Dr. Erhard BUSEK, President of Vienna Economic Forum, Former Vice-Chancellor of Austria

5TH ANNIVERSARY WELCOME ADDRESS

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

Impulse Statement

Dr. Herbert STEPIC, Chairman of Raiffeisen International Bank-Holding AG, Vice Chairman of RZB AG, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

SPEAKERS

H.E. Dr. Martin BARTENSTEIN, Federal Minister of Economy and Labour, Austria, Honorary Member of Vienna Economic Forum

Dr. Veit SORGER, President of the Federation of Austrian Industries, Founding Member of Vienna Economic Forum

Dr. Franz KOSYNA, Member of the Group Executive Board, Member of the Managing Board of Donau Versicherung AG Vienna Insurance Group, Austria

Mr. Theodore AHLERS, Director of Strategy and Operations, ECA Region, The World Bank

HONORARY SPEAKER

H.E. Yulia TYMOSHENKO, Prime Minister, Ukraine

DISCUSSIONS CONTINUE AT 14:00–16:00 IN ROUND TABLE 1

10:30 - 11:00 **COFFEE BREAK** offered by Siemens AG Österreich

NOVEMBER 10TH, 2008

POSSIBILITIES FOR BILATERAL MEETINGS, organised by Vienna Economic Forum (for VEF Members)

11:00 - 12:30 **DAY 1 - SECOND PLENARY SESSION - ENERGY: RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FUTURE**

MODERATOR

Mr. Slavtcho NEYKOV, Director, Energy Community Secretariat

IMPULSE STATEMENT

Dr. Wolfgang RUTTENSTORFER, CEO OMV AG, Founding Member of Vienna Economic Forum

MAIN SPEAKERS

H.E. Mr. Bozidar DJELIC, Deputy Prime Minister for European Integration and Minister of Science and Technological Development, Serbia

H.E. Dr. Vujica LAZOVIC, Deputy Prime Minister for Economic Policy, Montenegro

SPEAKERS

Dr. Burkhard HOFER, CEO of EVN AG, Austria, Founding Member of Vienna Economic Forum

Dr. Hasan M. QABAZARD, Director, Research Division, (OPEC) Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries

Mr. Christian KERN, Member of the Board, Verbund AG, Member of Vienna Economic Forum

Mr. Gunter KAPPACHER, Member of the Managing Board, Siemens AG Austria, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

HONORARY SPEAKERS

H.E. Dr. Mehmet Hilmi GÜLER, Minister of Energy, Turkey

H.E. Minister of Economic Development, Azerbaijan (tbn)

POSSIBILITIES FOR BILATERAL MEETINGS, organised by Vienna Economic Forum (for VEF Members)

DISCUSSIONS CONTINUE AT 14:00–16.00 IN ROUND TABLE 2

12:30 - 13:00 **FESTIVITY** on the occasion of the **5TH ANNIVERSARY OF VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM** followed by **LUNCH BUFFET** offered by OMV AG, Bulgarian Water offered by DEVIN AG, Soravia Group

14:00 - 16:00 **DAY 1 - ROUND TABLE 1 - FINANCING OF INVESTMENTS: ASSISTANCE FROM THE EU AND INTERNATIONAL FINANCE INSTITUTIONS**

MODERATION

Dr. Friedhelm BOSCHERT, President of the Board, Volksbank International AG, Austria, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

MAIN SPEAKER

Mr. Hidajet BISCEVIC, Secretary General, SEECP and Regional Cooperation Council

NOVEMBER 10TH, 2008**PARTICIPANTS**

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Mr. Bernhard HULLA, Executive Partner, Hulla & Co. Human Dynamics KG

Q AND A SESSION: DISCUSSION WITH THE AUDIENCE (LED BY THE MODERATOR)

Members of Vienna Economic Forum, Representatives of Companies from Austria, from the Region from the Adriatic to the Black Sea and from Caspian Region, from European and other Countries

14:00 - 16:00 **DAY 1 - ROUND TABLE 2 - ENERGY: RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FUTURE****MODERATION**

Mr. Otto MUSILEK, Management Advisor, Energy Sector

MAIN SPEAKER

H.E. Mr. Bakhyt SULTANOV, Minister of Economic Affairs and Budget Planning, Kazakhstan

PARTICIPANTS

Mr. Valentin IVANOV, Deputy Minister of Economy and Energy, Bulgaria

Dr. Rudolf GRUBER, President of the Supervisory Board, EVN AG, Austria, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

Dr. Erol USER, President and CEO, USER DIS TICARET A.S., Turkey, Member of Vienna Economic Forum

Dr. Slavisa KRUNIC, Chairman BiH, Energy Financing Team, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Mr. Mehmet Selahattin HAKMAN, Chairman, EnerjiSA Power Generating Company, Turkey

Dr. Willibald PLESSER, Co-Head of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer for CEE and CIS, Member of Vienna Economic Forum

Mr. Simon UZUNOV, Energy Community Secretariat, Austria

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Prof. Dr. Wolfgang STRASSBURG, Vice President, Special Projects, RWE Aktiengesellschaft, Germany, Member of Vienna Economic Forum

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16:30 - 17:30 **DAY 1 - IN PLENARY****SPECIAL Q AND A MINISTERS SESSION WITH:**

H.E. Mr. Vjekoslav BEVANDA, Minister of Finance, Bosnia and Herzegovina

H.E. Mr. Aleksandar DZOMBIC, Minister of Finance, Republic of Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina

H.E. Dr. Trajko SLAVESKI, Minister of Finance, Macedonia

H.E. Mr. Musa Xhaferi, Minister of Local Self Government, Macedonia

Mr. Valentin IVANOV, Deputy Minister of Economy and Energy, Bulgaria

Mr. Iurie MUNTEAN, Deputy Minister of Economy and Trade, Moldova

Mr. Oleksandr Kupchyshyn, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs, Ukraine

MODERATION AND CLOSING REMARKS

Dr. Erhard BUSEK, President of Vienna Economic Forum, Former Vice Chancellor, Austria

SHORT OVERVIEW OF THE MODERATORS OF THE ROUND TABLES

Dr. Friedhelm BOSCHERT, President of the Board, Volksbank International AG, Austria, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

Mr. Otto MUSILEK, Management Advisor, Energy Sector, Austria

HONORARY SPEAKER

H.E. Mrs. Zinaida GRECEANŪI, Prime Minister of Moldova, Member of the Patrons Committee of Vienna Economic Forum

17:30 **COCKTAIL** offered by MANDARINGROUP CEE

18:30 **END OF DAY 1 OF THE 5TH JUBILEE VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM**

20:00 **GALA DINNER** hosted by the President of the Federation of Austrian Industries
Dr. Veit SORGER, Founding Member of Vienna Economic Forum (by invitations)

GUEST OF HONOUR

H.E. Dr. Alfred GUSENBAUER, Federal Chancellor of the Republic of Austria, Chairman of the Patrons Committee of Vienna Economic Forum

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08:00–09:00 **REGISTRATION** and COFFEE offered by BÄREN BATTERIE GMBH

09:00–11:30 **DAY 2 - WORKSHOP 1 - CONNECTING AND LINKING:
TRANSPORT CORRIDORS, POST, TELECOMMUNICATION**

MODERATION AND IMPULSE STATEMENT

Dr. Erhard BUSEK, President of Vienna Economic Forum, Former Vice Chancellor of Austria

PARTICIPANTS

Dr. Boris NEMSIC, CEO, Telekom Austria AG, mobilkom Austria, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

Dr. Akkan SUVER, President, Marmara Foundation, Istanbul, Turkey

Mr. Goran RADMAN, Chairman, Business Advisory Council for South Eastern Europe

Dr. Viktoria KICKINGER, Secretary General, Austrian Post, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

Dr. Milan PARIVODIĆ, WOLF THEISS Attorneys-at-Law, Austria, Member of Vienna Economic Forum

Dr. Andreas BIERWIRTH, Member of the Executive Board and Chief Commercial Officer, Austrian Airlines AG, Member of Vienna Economic Forum

Mr. Christoph A. BAUBIN, Chief Executive Officer, Austro Control GmbH

Mr. Zoran NOVAKOVIC, Senior Advisor, Serbian Chamber of Commerce, Serbia

Dr. Otto PROHASKA, President, OttoConsulting, LLC.,USA:
Regional Economic Growth through International Technology Transfer

HONORARY SPEAKER

H.E. Dr. Andrija LOMPAR, Minister of Transportation, Maritime Affairs and Telecommunication, Montenegro

Other participants: Members of Vienna Economic Forum, Representatives of Companies from Austria, from the Region from the Adriatic to the Black Sea and from Caspian Region, from European and other Countries

9:00–11:30 **DAY 2 - WORKSHOP 2 - CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION –
CHALLENGES FOR THE INVESTORS IN THE REGION**

MODERATION AND IMPULSE STATEMENT

Dr. Franz WOHLFAHRT, President of the Board of Directors, Novomatic AG, Austria, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

PARTICIPANTS

Dr. Dieter SPRANZ, Partner, WOLF THEISS Attorneys-at-Law, Austria, Member of Vienna Economic Forum

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Dr. Monika RACEK, Head of Corporate Social Responsibility, Novomatic AG, Austria, Member of Vienna Economic Forum

H.E. Prof. Dr. Zoran JASIC, Ambassador of Croatia to Austria

Dr. Manfred CASPARI, Secretary General, IETI Europa, Member of European People's Party

Mr. Ahmet ERENTOK, Chairman of the Board, Azərbaycan Türkiyə Business Association (ATIB), Azerbaijan

Dr. Severin HEINISCH, CEO Hochegger CEE, Member of Vienna Economic Forum

Dr. Danica PURG, President, IEDC – Bled School of Management, Slovenia

Dr. Mustafa AYDIN, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Istanbul Aydin University, Turkey, Member of Vienna Economic Forum

HONORARY SPEAKER

H.E. Mr. Enver HOXHAIJ, Minister, Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, Kosovo

Other participants: Members of Vienna Economic Forum, Representatives of Companies from Austria, from the Region from the Adriatic to the Black Sea and from Caspian Region, from European and other Countries

POSSIBILITIES FOR BILATERAL MEETINGS, organised by Vienna Economic Forum (for VEF Members)

11:45 – 12:30 **CONCLUSION PLENARY SESSION**

MODERATION AND CLOSING

Dr. Erhard BUSEK, President of Vienna Economic Forum, Former Vice Chancellor of Austria

Dr. Franz WOHLFAHRT, President of the Board of Directors, Novomatic AG, Austria, Member of the Board of Vienna Economic Forum

12:30 **LUNCH BUFFET** offered by NOVOMATIC AG, Bulgarian Water offered by DEVIN AG, Soravia Group

POSSIBILITIES FOR BILATERAL MEETINGS, organised by Vienna Economic Forum (for VEF Members)

14:00 **END OF THE 5TH JUBILEE VIENNA ECONOMIC FORUM**

PROFILE

Nationality: USA

Current Position: Director Strategy and Operations Europe and Central Asia Region, The World Bank

MR. THEODORE AHLERS

■ Theodore Ahlers, a U.S. national, joined the Bank in 1985 as an Economist in the West African Country Programs Department. Since then, he has held several positions in the Middle East and North Africa, Africa, and Europe and Central Asia Regions. From 1997-2000, Mr. Ahlers served as Country Director for Benin, Niger and Togo. In June 2000 he was appointed Director in the Office of the Vice President in Africa Region. From October 2002 until July 2007, he served as Director of the Maghreb Department (Algeria, Libya, Malta, Morocco and Tunisia) in the Middle East and North Africa (MNA) Region. Mr. Ahlers was appointed Director of Strategy and Operations for the ECA Region on August 1, 2007.

■ Mr. Ahlers attended Tufts University, Fletcher School, and holds a Ph.D in development economics. He speaks French fluently.

■ His pre-Bank experience includes research and policy advisor positions in Madagascar, Cameroon and Haiti.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria

Current Position: Chairman of the Board, Volksbank International AG

DR. FRIEDHELM BOSCHERT

■ 01/2005 - today: Volksbank International AG, Vienna; Chairman of the managing board; President of the supervisory board of Volksbank, Bosnia i Herzegovina, Volksbank Banja Luka and Volksbank Czech Republic

■ 2002 – 2004: Ärztebank AG, Vienna; Chairman of the managing board; specialised bank within ÖVAG-group for doctors

■ DZ BANK AG, Hamburg, Head of Division „Business with cooperative banks in northern and eastern Germany“;

■ 1997 - 2001: VBC Volksbanken Consulting Bank AG, Vienna; Member of the managing board; A joint venture of ÖVAG and DZ BANK specialised in securities business and retail-consulting services for the Austrian Volksbanken

■ 1996 - 1997: Berufs-Akademie Berlin (Polytechnic); Professor for Business Management of Financial Institutions; Focus: Business Policy of FI, Asset-Liability-Management, Financial Instruments

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria

Current Position: President of Vienna Economic Forum, Former Special Co-ordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe

DR. ERHARD BUSEK

■ Dr. Erhard Busek was born in Vienna, Austria, on March 25, 1941. He received his law degree from the University of Vienna in 1963. During his studies, he also served as Chairman of the Austrian Youth Council.

■ He began his professional career in 1964 as legal adviser to the association of the parliamentarians of the Austrian People's Party. He then served as Secretary General of the Austrian Federation for Trade and Commerce (1968-1975). In 1975 he was appointed Secretary General of the Austrian People's Party and was elected Member of Parliament later that year.

■ Dr. Busek gained additional experience in administration between 1968-1976 while with a publishing firm in the economic field. In 1976 Dr. Busek entered municipal politics. He was City Councilor and was elected Deputy-Mayor of Vienna in 1978, a position he held until 1987. He was appointed Minister for Science and Research in April 1989. From 1994 until May 1995 Dr. Busek was Minister for Education. He was elected Chairman of the Austrian People's Party in 1991 and served as Vice-Chancellor of Austria from 1991 to 1995. In early 2000 Dr. Erhard Busek was appointed as Special Representative of the Austrian Government on EU-Enlargement.

■ Chairman of the "Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe"; President of the European Forum Alpbach and President of Vienna Economic Forum.

PROFILE

Nationality: Serbia

Current Position: Minister of Finance

H.E. MINISTER ALEKSANDAR DZOMBIC

■ Aleksandar Dzombic was born in 1968 in Banja Luka, Serb by nationality. He finished primary, secondary education and graduated from the Faculty of Economics in Banja Luka. Presently, he is at the post-graduate studies at the Faculty of Management ECPD in Belgrade. He worked in Banja Luka City Administration, Kristal Bank Banja Luka as an official, head of the department and head of the project. He also worked in Agroprom Bank Banja Luka as a director. Before his appointment as a Minister of Finance, he was executive director in Nova Banka, Bijeljina. He is married and has one child.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria

Current Position: General Director of the Executive Board of Wiener Städtische Versicherung AG Vienna Insurance Group

MR. KARL FINK

■ Having graduated from the University of Business Administration and Economics in Vienna in 1971, he started his career in Tokyo and Berlin as a representative of the Japanese Trading Company Marubeni Corporation, before joining Wiener Städtische as a consultant for Industrial Insurance in 1975.

■ From 1979 to 1987 he was Chairman of the Board of Directors of Interrisk Versicherungs AG, an Austrian Insurance Company specializing on international business, and then joined the Board of Wiener Städtische. Currently he is acting as General Director of Vienna Insurance Group.

■ He is on the Board of numerous insurance - financial services and industrial companies operating in Austria and abroad.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria

Current Position: President of the Supervisory Board, EVN AG

DR. RUDOLF GRUBER

■ *Studies* Law at Vienna University (graduation 1958).

■ *Career* 1953 - 1960: private banking in Vienna. 1960 - 1968: Broker at the Vienna Stock Exchange. 1968 - 2005: Chairman of the Executive Board of EVN AG. Since 2005: President of the Supervisory Board of EVN AG.

■ *Other engagements (i.a.)* President of Supervisory Board: EVN AG, Maria Enzersdorf; Wiener Börse AG, Vienna; Rohöl-Aufsuchungs Aktiengesellschaft (RAG), Vienna, and RAG-Beteiligungs Aktiengesellschaft, Maria Enzersdorf (Austria's second largest Oil and Gas exploration, production & storage company owned by EVN and E.ON). Vice-president of Supervisory Boards of the following leading Austrian companies: Bankhaus Schelhammer & Schattera Aktiengesellschaft, Vienna; Siemens AG Austria, Vienna. Member of Supervisory Board: Moeller Beteiligungen GmbH, Vienna; Moeller Gebäudeautomation GmbH, Schrems.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria

Current Position: Speaker of the Executive Board, EVN Management Board

DR. BURKHARD HOFER

■ Born 1944, qualified lawyer Joined EVN in 1980 as head of the legal department. Since April 1992 he is head of legal and regulatory, responsible for company holdings, and Senior Council. Since March 2005 he is the Speaker of the EVN Management Board. Burkhard Hofer has executive responsibility for energy business, business administration, group communications and investor relations, human resources and legal matters.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria

Current Position: Director of the Board, Siemens AG Österreich

MR. GUNTER KAPPACHER

■ *Education* 1981-1985: Vienna Technical University, Computer Science.

■ *Current Position* Member of the Executive Board of Siemens AG Austria, Vienna. CEO of the Sector Energy in the CEE/Central Eastern Europe.

■ *Career* 06/2002: Member of the Executive Management Team of SBS international. 10/2003: Siemens Business Services GmbH & Co OHG, Munich; Head of Region Europe, Middle East & Africa. 04/2005: Siemens AG Austria, Vienna; Project Leader for VA-TECH Acquisition and Integration. 10/2005: Head of Power Transmission and Distribution/Power Generation CEE; Siemens AG Austria, Vienna. 04/2008: Head of Energy Sector in the expanded Region CEE; Member of the Executive Board of Siemens AG Austria, Vienna.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria

Current Position: Member of the Managing Board, Österreichische Elektrizitätswirtschafts-AG (VERBUND)

MR. CHRISTIAN KERN

■ 1989: Economic journalist. 1991: Assistant to the Secretary of State for Public Affairs. 1994: Office Manager und Press Spokesman for the Leader of the Austrian Social Democratic Parliamentary Group. 1997: Assistant to the Managing Board of VERBUND (Österreichische Elektrizitätswirtschafts-AG. 1999: Area Manager of Strategic Marketing and Sales Management of VERBUND. 2000: Chairman of the Managing Board of VERBUND-Austrian Power Vertriebs GmbH. 2002: Member of the Managing Board of VERBUND-Austrian Power Trading AG (APT). 2007: Member of the Managing Board of Verbund.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria

Current Position: Secretary General, Austrian Post AG

DR. VIKTORIA KICKINGER

■ Dr. Viktoria Kickinger is head of the General Secretariat at Austrian Post. In this position, she is responsible for Public Affairs, Regulatory Management, Event Management and Internal Communications. Ms. Kickinger is also head of Strategy and Corporate Development at Austrian Post. She started her career as an editor with the Austrian Broadcasting Corporation (ORF). Between 1996 and 1998, Ms. Kickinger was in charge of ORF's marketing division. As of 2001 Ms. Kickinger was responsible for corporate communications in ÖIAG, the Austrian State Holding Company. Before that, she had worked for more than three years as Chief Communications Officer for the Austrian Railroads (ÖBB).

PROFILE

Nationality: Bulgaria

Current Position: Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum

AMBASSADOR DR. ELENA KIRTICHEVA

■ Founder, Member of the Board and Secretary General of Vienna Economic Forum.

■ Ambassador Dr. Elena Kirtcheva possesses great administrative and managerial experience in state institutions, government and non-government organizations, academic and teaching experience in law and economic fields, big experience in diplomacy – former ambassador of Bulgaria to Switzerland, Lichtenstein, Finland and Austria. Awarded with the Grand Decoration of Honour in Gold with Sash for Services to the Republic of Austria.

■ She was member of the First democratic Parliament of Republic of Bulgaria and member of commissions and parliament delegations of Republic of Bulgaria in European Council and Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe /OSCE/.

■ She graduated law in Sofia University Kliment Ohridski. PhD in Law.

PROFILE

Nationality: Germany

Current Position: Vice President, European Investment Bank

MATTHIAS KOLLATZ-AHNEN

■ *Aufgaben:* Finanzierungen in Deutschland, Österreich, Rumänien sowie in Kroatien und der Türkei; Wirtschaftlicher und sozialer Zusammenhalt und Konvergenz; Programm JASPERS (Joint Assistance in Supporting Projects for European Regions - Gemeinsame Hilfe bei der Unterstützung von Projekten für europäische Regionen); Umstrukturierung von Darlehen; Mitglied des Sponsoring-Ausschusses; Mitglied des Kunstausschusses

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria

Current Position: Scientific Director, The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw)

PROF. DR. MICHAEL LANDESMANN

■ *Education* 1970-1974: University of Vienna (economics). 1972/1973: Brandeis University, Mass., USA; Fulbright Scholarship .1974/1975 Institute for Advanced Studies (IHS), Vienna; Post-graduate training and research in economic theory and applied economics. 1975-1978 University of Oxford, Balliol College.

■ *Degrees* Mag. soc. oec. (Vienna), M.A. (Cambridge), D. Phil. (Oxford), Dr. soc. oec.

■ *Language skills* German, English (bilingual), French

■ *Present position* Scientific Director, The Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies (wiiw). Professor of economics, Johannes Kepler University, Linz, Austria, Head of the department of economics and department head: economic theory and quantitative economics.

■ *Key subjects* Macroeconomic analysis, international economics, economic growth, applied economics: industry, trade and economic growth; international economic integration; structural change and economic dynamics

PROFILE

Nationality: Montenegro

Current Position: Deputy Prime Minister for Economic Policy, Government of Montenegro

H.E. DR. VUJICA LAZOVIĆ

■ *Professional experiences* 1987 - 1994: Informatics, Faculty of Economics Podgorica. 1988 - 1989: Adviser to the Youth Conference of Montenegro. 1989 - 1991: Member of the Government of the Montenegro, Minister for Urban Development. 1991 - 1992: Member of the Parliament of Montenegro. 1992 - 1996: Member of the Parliament of FRY. 1994 - 1996: Information Systems Management, Faculty of Economics Podgorica. 1996 - 1997: Business Information Systems, Strategic Management. 1996 - 1998: Adviser for IS in company "Zetatrans". 1998 - 2000: Adviser for IS Central bank of Montenegro. 1998 - 2005: Information Systems, Information Systems in Trade Company, Information Systems Management, - Business School - Faculty of Economics / applied study. 1998: Information Economy, Business Information Systems, Design of Information Systems, Computers Implementation in Economy, Decision Support Systems, Software tools, E-business - Undergraduate and Postgraduate study at the Faculty of Economics. 1998-2000: Business information systems - Computer School - Faculty of Electro engineering Podgorica. 2000 - 2002: Project Manager for Development and Implementation of IS in Health Fund of Montenegro. 2000 - 2006: Dean of the Faculty of Economics. 2002-2003: Project Manager for E-commerce and E-Business in Project "Information society", Government of Montenegro. 2003- 2005: Adviser for the development of the state IS, Government of Montenegro. 2003: Information systems- Faculty of Law - Department of Political Science. 2005: Information Systems Management - School of Management - Faculty of Economics /applied study/. 2006: Deputy Prime Minister for Economic Policy, Government of Montenegro.

PROFILE

Nationality: Serbia
Current Position: Senior Advisor,
Serbian Chamber of Commerce

ZORAN NOVAKOVIC

- Born 1950. in Belgrade -middle last century, “ but still goes strongly”. Scholarship finished in Belgrade with M.sci. of Economics.
- As branch office Manager engaged in Japanese company MARUBENI Co. more than 10 years.
- Since democratic changes 2000. in Serbia nominated as director of Tourist organization of Belgrade and Advisor to Minister of trading , tourism and services and national coordinator of tourism.
- Since 2005 fully engaged in Serbian Chamber of commerce as Senior Advisor and represents SCC in Danube tourists commission , Danube initiatives, Danube business Conference, Association of Danube bureaus, etc .
- From this year will represent SCC in VEF.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: Partner,
Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer

DR. WILLIBALD PLESSER

- Willibald Plesser has been a partner of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer since 1987 and works in the Vienna office. He is a member of our corporate practice group and specialises in mergers and acquisitions, corporate law, energy law, contract law and investments in eastern Europe. He has also been instrumental in building up our office in Bratislava. He is the firm’s joint managing partner for Central and Eastern Europe (CEE).
- Willibald was born in Haide, Austria, in 1955. He received his legal and philosophical education at the University of Vienna, from where he holds a Doctor of Laws (Dr iur) degree and a Master of Philosophy in English and History (Mag phil). He is active in the International Bar Association, including its section on Energy and Resources Law, and is a lecturer and the author of various publications on CEE topics. He was admitted to the Austrian Bar in 1986.
- Willibald joined the firm in 1981 and speaks German and English.

PROFILE

Nationality: UK
Current Position: Head of Investment
Compact Team, OECD

ANTHONY TERENCE O’SULLIVAN

- Anthony O’Sullivan has been the Head of the Private Sector Development Division at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) since September 2005. He started his career as a consultant at Accenture, specializing in M&A and post merger integration in the pharmaceuticals and fast moving consumer goods sectors, both in Europe and internationally. Pursuing his work on strategy and M&A he then joined Michael Porter’s Monitor Group where he also developed his credentials on country competitiveness. O’Sullivan went on to become a founding partner of Adcore, specializing in due diligences and business creation for high tech investment funds. Amongst other successes, he designed and launched a 100 M EUR investment fund for a leading French public sector bank. Before moving to the OECD in 2005, O’Sullivan spent three and a half years at A.T. Kearney, as a senior manager in strategy, and as the European representative for the Global Business Policy Council, a leading global think tank on government strategy and country competitiveness.
- He received an Honours degree in Economics, Finance and Political Science from McGill University in Montreal, before receiving his Masters from the London School of Economics in Economic Development in 2004.

PROFILE

Nationality: OPEC
Current Position: Director,
Research Division

DR. HASAN M. QABAZARD

- Is responsible for a continuous programme of research, designed to meet the requirements of the Organization and its Member Countries, with particular emphasis on energy and related matters.
- It monitors, forecasts and analyzes developments in the energy and petrochemical industries and studies the evaluation of hydrocarbons and products and their non-energy uses; analyzes economic and financial issues, in particular those related to the international oil industry.
- It is headed by a Director of Research, and consists of three departments, namely, Energy Studies, Petroleum Market Analysis and Data Services.

PROFILE

Nationality: Croatia

Current Position: Chairman,
Microsoft South-East Europe

GORAN RADMAN

■ Goran joined Microsoft Corp. in 1996 as general manager of Microsoft Croatia. In 2000 his responsibilities expanded to encompass the newly formed Adriatic region. In his current role as chairman of Microsoft South-East Europe, he works with institutional and political communities to build strategic relationships and business within EU and enterprise and public-sector organisations in the region.

Goran began his professional career as an international relations advisor to the president of Croatia, continued as general manager of Television Zagreb, a public broadcaster in Croatia, and moved on to manage MicroLAB, a private Croatian computer engineering and consultancy company.

■ Goran completed undergraduate and postgraduate studies in international relations at the Faculty of Political Sciences at the University of Zagreb. In the 1970s and early 1980s he was a student leader, journalist, editor and editor-in-chief of newspapers, magazines and other publications. During his this time he was also the author and co-author of articles and books in the field of international relations, IT and media.

■ Besides his role at Microsoft, Goran is an active member of the National Competitiveness Council, a business advisory group to the Croatian Government. He is also a regular guest lecturer at the to undergraduate and post-graduate students at the University of Zagreb, Croatia, as well as frequent speaker at a number of national, regional and international business conferences.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria

Current Position: CEO and Chairman
of the Executive Board

DR. WOLFGANG RUTTENSTORFER

■ He received his doctorate at the University of Economics and Business Administration in Vienna and started to work at OMV in 1976. In 1985 he joined the Planning and Controlling Department and in 1989 he took responsibility for the Strategic Development of the Group. After being appointed Head of Marketing in 1990, he joined the Executive Board in 1992 and was responsible for Finance and Chemicals. He remained at the Board until the beginning of 1997, when he became Deputy Minister of Finance. On January 1st 2000 he rejoined the OMV Executive Board being responsible for Finance. As of January 1st, 2002 he is CEO and Chairman of the Executive Board.

PROFILE

Nationality: Kosovo

Current Position: Minister in the
Ministry of Economy and Finance

H.E. MINISTER AHMET SHALA

■ Ahmet Shala was appointed as Minister of Finance and Economy on January 9, 2008. In his capacity as Minister he is responsible for budget, treasury and revenue collection, as well as for economic and fiscal policies in Kosovo.

■ Before becoming the Minister of Finance, Shala was Deputy Managing Director at Kosovo Trust Agency in charge of the privatization process in Kosovo. He was responsible for directing the division for managing and privatization of Kosovo's nearly 500 socially-owned enterprises. From 2000 to 2002 Shala was a deputy Head of the Department for Trade and Industry in charge of directing the strategy development, policies and procedures for commercialization and transformation of Socially Owned Enterprises and private sector development. For a time he was also Policy Advisor for Economic Development within Pillar IV (European Union Mission in Kosovo).

■ During 1990s he worked in private business in the area of education and he was the founder of "The Cambridge School", which is one of the leading institutions for English Language Teaching (ELT). Shala has also run private commercial and production business. At the beginning of his career he worked in the Trepça Mining Company within the Foreign Trade Department.

■ Ahmet Shala is also distinguished for his university carrier. He continues to be Professor of Marketing Modeling and Statistics at the Economic Faculty of the University of Prishtina. Shala was also Lecturer for Mathematics, Statistics and Economic Modeling.

■ Ahmet Shala attended PhD studies for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Management at Vaxjo University (Sweden) and at Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Spain). He received an MBA from the University of Prishtina in 1988 and a BA in Economics and Business Administration at the University of Prishtina in 1985. In 1995, he presented his PhD thesis in Strategic Alternatives called "Integral Economic Development of Albanian Areas and European Integration – A Quantitative Approach", which was approved by the Faculty of Economics of the University of Prishtina.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria

Current Position: President of the
Federation of Austrian Industries

DR. VEIT SORGER

■ Veit Sorger was born in Graz, Austria, in 1942. He studied law and economics (Ph.D.) in Vienna, Graz and Uppsala. He is married and has 3 children.

■ *Professional career* 1967 - 1970: Assistant of the President, Interunfall AG (Austrian – Italian insurance company). 1970: Joined the Salzer Group (paper industry); development of the plastics production, then responsible for sales in the paper mills and the wholesale. 1982: General Manager of the Salzer Papier and Plastics Group. 1987 General Manager of Europapier AG. 1988: Member of the board of management of Frantschach AG. 1989: Deputy CEO of Frantschach AG. 1993: CEO of Frantschach AG and chairman of the supervisory board of Neusiedler AG. June 2000 – June 2004: Vice President of the Federation of Austrian Industry. Since June 2004: President of the Federation of Austrian Industry. November 2004: Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Mondi Packaging AG (formerly Frantschach) and Mondi Business Paper Holding AG (formerly Neusiedler)

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: Managing Partner,
Wolf Theiss Attorneys at law

DR. DIETER SPRANZ

- *Personal Information* born 1968 in Vienna, Austria; admitted in Austria, since 1998 and in the Czech Republic, since 1999; partner since 1999
- *Professional Experience* 1991: intern, Kavanagh, Peters, Powell & Osnato, New York. 1993: law clerk. 1995 – 1998: associate, Cerha Hempel & Spiegelfeld. 1998: associated attorney, Cerha Hempel & Spiegelfeld.
- *Education* Dr.iur. 1995, University of Vienna. 1992 – 1993: University of Louvai-la-Neuve, Belgium.
- *Languages* German, French, English.
- *Memberships* Vienna Bar Association; Czech Bar Association; International Bar Association, SBL, SLP
- *Main Practice Areas* Banking and Finance, Mergers and Acquisitions
- *Member of Wolf Theiss Practice Groups* Banking & Finance, Mergers & Acquisitions

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: CEO Raiffeisen
International Bank-Holding AG,
Deputy Chairman, RZB

DR. HERBERT STEPIC

■ 1972: Doctor of Business Administration and Economics; Vienna University for Economics and Business Administration. 1973: Raiffeisen Zentralbank Österreich AG, Vienna (RZB-Austria), Central Institution of the Austrian “Raiffeisen Banking Group”; responsible for foreign trade promotion and international cooperation. 1987: Member of the Managing Board of RZB-Austria. 1995: Deputy Chairman of the Managing Board of RZB-Austria. 2001: Chairman of Raiffeisen International Bank-Holding AG.

PROFILE

Nationality: Turkey
Current Position: President,
Marmara Foundation

DR. AKKAN SUVER

- *Education* Honorary Ph.D. International Relations, University of Baku, Azerbaijan; MA in International Relations, Istanbul University, Istanbul; BA in Journalism Supreme School, University of Istanbul, Istanbul; St. Benoit High School, Istanbul.
- *Professional Activities* 1997 – Current: President of the “Marmara Group Strategic and Social Research Foundation”, the first Turkish NGO having special consultative status with the United Nations ECOSOC.
- He has been appointed as the Honorary Consul General of Montenegro to Istanbul by the Government of the Republic of Montenegro on May 28, 2008.
- In 2007 Dr. Akkan Suver was awarded with Pope 16th Benedictus Medal for his intensive contribution in Intercultural Studies. Secondly, in 2006, in Mongolia, he is again awarded by Chinghiz Han Medal by President of Mongolia Nambar Eukhbayar for the success of Eurasian Economic Summits. And in 2005, he is awarded with State Progress Medal by Azerbaijan President İlham Aliyev.
- In 2007 he has been elected as an observer member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (PABSEC) by 12 member states of the PABSEC in its general assembly held in Tbilisi, Georgia.

PROFILE

Nationality: Austria
Current Position: President of the
Board of Directors, Novomatic AG

DR. FRANZ WOHLFAHRT

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