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Working Party of Senior Budget Officials

7th ANNUAL MEETING OF OECD-CESEE SENIOR BUDGET OFFICIALS

PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND REGISTRATION FORM

Zagreb, Croatia 30 June-1 July 2011

The meeting will be hosted by the Ministry of Finance of Croatia. It will be held at the Westin Hotel in Zagreb, Croatia.

The meeting will be chaired by Mr. Richard Emery, former Assistant Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, United States.

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Interpretation into Russian will be provided.

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Wednesday 29 June 2011

19:30 Welcome reception, Westin Hotel.

Thursday 30 June 2011

9:00-9:30 Registration

9:30-10:00 Opening and introductory remarks by Mr. Richard Emery, Chair, Ms. Ivana Maletić, State

Secretary in the Ministry of Finance of Croatia and Mr. Jon Blondal, Head of the Budgeting and Public Expenditures Division, Public Governance and Territorial Development Service,

OECD.

10:00-11:15 Delegates' introductions

11:15-11:45 Group Photo and Coffee break

11:45-13:00 Keynote speech – Current challenges of fiscal policy in Central and Eastern Europe

- Presentation by Mr. Peter Bekx, Director for International Economic and Financial Relations in the Directorate General of Economic and Financial Affairs of the European Union
- Reactions by the Delegate of Estonia and the State Secretary in the Ministry of Finance of Croatia, Dr. Zdravko Maric.
- Discussion.

13:00-14:30 Lunch

14:30-16:00 **Workshop session 1**

Workshop $\underline{1a}$ – New EU requirements for the budgetary frameworks of its country members. Possible consequences for the candidate and potential candidate countries

- Moderator: Croatia
- Presentations: Valentina Kostyleva (OECD Secretariat); Slovak Republic

Workshop <u>1b</u> – Fiscal consolidation – experiences of CESEE and OECD countries

- Moderator: Slovenia
- Presentations: Franziska Ohnsorge (European Bank for Reconstruction and Development); Colin Forthun (OECD Secretariat)

Workshop <u>1c</u> – What is a transparent, comprehensive and effective budget classification from the perspective of the Government and of the Parliament?

• Moderator: Serbia

• Presentations: Noël Bezzina (Malta); Chiara Goretti (Italy)

16:00-16:30 Coffee break

16:30-16:45 Report on the Workshops in the plenary session

16:45-18:15 Budget review of Ukraine

- Presentation by OECD Secretariat
- Examination by the Delegates of Romania and Hungary
- Reaction by the Delegate of Ukraine
- Discussion

19:30 Evening Programme

Friday 1 July 2011

9:30-11:00 **Workshop session 2**

Workshop **2a** – Steering of executive agencies

- Moderator: Lithuania
- Presentations: Peter van den Berg (Netherlands); Bulgaria

Workshop 2b - How to set up a long term fiscal sustainability analysis?

- Moderator: Romania
- Presentations: Latvia; Turkey

Workshop <u>2c</u> – How to prepare a Medium Term Expenditure Framework? The role of spending review

- Moderator: Poland
- Presentations: Bohdan Hejduk (Czech Republic); Joop Vrolijk (OECD Secretariat, SIGMA)
- 11:00-11:30 Coffee break
- 11:30-11:45 <u>Address of the Minister of Finance of Croatia, Ms. Martina Dalic</u>, on recent developments in Croatia and the region.
- 11:45-12:00 Report on the Workshops in the plenary session.
- 12:00-13:15 <u>Budget review of Montenegro</u>
 - Presentation by OECD Secretariat
 - Examination by the Delegates of Macedonia and Klas Klaas (OECD Secretariat, SIGMA)
 - Reaction by the Delegate of Montenegro
 - Discussion
- 13:15-14:45 Lunch
- 14:45-16:00 Panel: Fiscal Consolidation in CESEE countries
 - Chair: Mr. Marco Cangiano, Assistant Director, Fiscal Affairs Department, IMF
 - Dr. Zdravko Maric, State Secretary in the Ministry of Finance, Croatia
 - Ms. Franziska Ohnsorge, Head of Macro-economics at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
 - Ms. Sandra Švaljek, Director of the Institute of Economics of Zagreb, Croatia
 - Mr. Colin Forthun (OECD Secretariat)
 - Mr. Balázs Romhahyi (Fiscal Council, Hungary)
- 16:00-16:15 Programme of Work and closing remarks
- 18:30 City Tour of Zagreb followed by Dinner

GENERAL MEETING INFORMATION

Meeting Location

The meeting will take place at Westin Zagreb Hotel, Izidora Kršnjavoga 1, Zagreb 10000 – Croatia.

Accommodations

The Croatian authorities have negotiated special rates at the Westin Zagreb Hotel. Please fill out the registration forms for reservations:

Single Deluxe room: 902 HRK per room per night Double Deluxe room: 1031 HRK per room per night

This includes breakfast and taxes.

Registration Form

All Delegates need to complete the attached registration form and return it to the Secretariat ahead of the meeting. Entry passes can only be issued to the registered Delegates.

Hospitality

The Croatian authorities invite all Delegates to a Welcome Reception on the eve of the meeting (Wednesday, 29 June at the Westin Hotel at 7:30 pm).

The Croatian authorities invite all Delegates to a Dinner at Restaurant Okrugljak at the conclusion of the first day of the meeting (Thursday, 30 June). Buses will leave at 7:30 pm from the Westin hotel.

The Croatian authorities invite all Delegates to a City Tour of Zagreb followed by Dinner at Museum Mimara at the conclusion of the second day of the meeting (Friday, 1 July at 6:30 pm).

Spouses are welcome to join Delegates at the above social events.

Please confirm your attendance at these events by completing the appropriate "Social Activities" boxes on the attached registration form. All Delegates are also invited to luncheons on both days of the meeting. These will take place at the Westin hotel.

Entry Formalities

Delegates are advised to confirm any necessary visa requirements for entry in to Croatia.

Documentation

Background documents will be available for all substantive sessions of the meeting. The documents will be distributed electronically to all registered Delegates prior to the meeting.

Simultaneous Translation

Simultaneous translation between English and Russian will be available throughout the meeting.



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Meeting Registration Form

Please return the completed form for each participant to: lyora.raab@oecd.org Fax: +33 1 44 30 63 34
Mr. [] Mrs. [] Ms. []
NAME (in block letters please):
First Name:
JOB TITLE:
ORGANISATION:
MAILING ADDRESS:
COUNTRY:
TELEPHONE:
FACSIMILE:
E-MAIL ADDRESS:
<u>Social Activities</u>
Wednesday 29 June - Welcome Reception at Westin Hotel person(s) will participate
Thursday 30June – Dinner at Restaurant Okrugljak person(s) will participate
Friday 1 July –City Tour and Dinner at Museum Mimara person(s) will participate
<u>Accommodation</u>
For the above-mentioned event, I wish to reserve a:
Single Deluxe (902 HRK) at The Westin Zagreb Hotel, including taxes and breakfast
Double Deluxe Room (1031 HRK) at The Westin Zagreb Hotel, including taxes and breakfast
I understand that I will bear the cost of this accommodation
Check in date: Check out date: