



# 7<sup>th</sup> CEI Summit Economic Forum

24-26 November 2004, Portorož (Slovenia)

## DRAFT TIMETABLE PROGRAMME

### PRE-FORUM EVENT – Tuesday, 23 November 2004

#### CEI-LEED LOCAL DEVELOPMENT NETWORK (LDN)

FIRST ASSEMBLY MEETING Co-organised by the OECD LEED Programme and the Central European Initiative

13.30	LDN Partners and Mission
15.30- 15.45	Coffee break
15.45	Challenges and opportunities for LDN in specific countries
18.00- 18.30	Next steps and closing remarks

<b>DAY 1 – Wednesday, 24 November 2004</b>						
<b>From 08.30</b>						
<i>Registration/ accreditation</i>						
<b>STREAMS</b>	<b>Portorož Business Conference: Competitiveness, Social Responsibility and Economic Growth</b>  (Europa Hall, sections A+B)	<b>Infrastructure and Energy</b>  (Europa Hall, section C)	<b>Financial Sector</b>  (Europa Hall, section D)	<b>Entrepreneurship/ SMEs</b>  (Emerald Room, section 1)	<b>Interactive Business Area</b>  (Emerald, section 2)	
<b>10.00 10.30</b>	Official Opening/ Plenary session on the SEF theme and SEF main streams (Europa Hall, section A+B)					
<b>10.45 12.45</b>	<b>1.1</b> Competitiveness and Economic Growth: an Application of the Lisbon Strategy for Central and South-Eastern Europe	<b>2.1</b> European Transport Corridors and Networks	<b>3.1</b> Financing and facilitating small businesses	<b>4.1</b> Promotion of entrepreneurship among the special target groups – institutional support	SEF Networking Activities	
<b>12.45 14.00</b>	<i>Lunch Break</i>					
<b>14.00 15.30</b>	<b>1.2</b> R&D and Innovations as a Source of the Competitive Advantage of Firms: case studies	<b>2.2</b> PPPs in Central and Eastern Europe	<b>3.2</b> Financial instruments to support the real estate market (Assicurazioni Generali)	<b>4.2a</b> Workshop: Women Entrepreneurship PART 1  (Mediterranea, section 1)	<b>4.2b</b> Workshop: Young People and Entrepreneurship PART 1  (Mediterranea, section 2)	SEF Networking Activities
<b>15.30 16.00</b>	<i>Coffee break</i>					
<b>16.00 17.30</b>	<b>1.3</b> Influence of the R&D on the economic growth: Chenggang Xu, London School of Economics	<b>2.3</b> Air transport and PPPs	<b>3.3</b> Financing rural and agricultural development	<b>4.3a.</b> Workshop: Women Entrepreneurship PART 2	<b>4.3b</b> Workshop: Young People and Entrepreneurship PART 2	SEF Networking Activities
<b>17.45 19.15</b>	<b>1.4</b> Forecasts for the Year 2005: Jan Svejnar, University of Michigan			<b>4.4</b> National Round table: Entrepreneurial Policy Challenges in the post-electoral period: Slovenia and EU		
<b>Parallel events:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10.30 – 19.00: UNECE-TER conference on border crossing</li> <li>• 14.00 – 15.30: Official meeting of the CEI Working Group on SMEs</li> <li>• 16.00 – 17.30: Extended meeting of the CEI WG on SMEs</li> </ul>						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Social events (to take place in Sunset Restaurant):</u></li> <li>• 19.45: Cocktails</li> <li>• Evening: Concert - Ceremony of the "Finance Award for Extraordinary Achievements in Business and Economy" - Gala Buffet-dinner</li> </ul>						

<b>DAY 2 – Thursday, 25 November 2004</b>							
<b>STREAMS</b>	<b>SEF Stream: Business Growth</b>	<b>SEF Stream: Infrastructure and Energy</b>	<b>SEF Stream: Financial Sector</b>	<b>SEF Stream: Entrepreneurship/ SMEs</b>			<b>Interactive Business Area</b>
	(Europa Hall, sections A+B)	(Europa Hall, section C)	(Europa Hall, section D)	(Emerald, section 1)	(Mediterranea, section 1)	(Mediterranea, section 2)	(Emerald, section 2)
<b>9.30 11.00</b>	<b>1.5</b> Competitiveness and Growth in the Service Sector: The Relevance of Location, Infrastructure and Local Communities in Tourism	<b>2.5</b> Promotion of renewable energy sources	<b>3.5</b> Regulatory challenges and reforms: country strategies and business opportunities	<b>4.5a</b> Workshop: Entrepreneurship in Rural Areas PART 1	<b>4.5b</b> Consolidating and developing entrepreneurship	<b>4.5c</b> Workshop: Entrepreneurship in Specific Groups PART 1	SEF Networking Activities
<b>11.00 11.30</b>	<i>Coffee break</i>						
<b>11.30 13.00</b>	<b>1.6</b> Social Corporate Responsibility and Growth: A Case of Novo Nordisk, Denmark	<b>2.6</b> Innovative approaches to energy efficiency	<b>3.6</b> Financing investment in CEI countries: business climate, opportunities, reforms and risks (MAP, OECD)	<b>4.6a</b> Workshop: Entrepreneurship in Rural Areas PART 2	<b>4.6b</b> Workshop: Entrepreneurial Module PART 1	<b>4.6c</b> Workshop: Entrepreneurship in Specific Groups PART 2	SEF Networking Activities
<b>13.00 14.30</b>	<i>Lunch Break</i>						
<b>14.30 16.00</b>	<b>1.7</b> Discussion with managers of various enterprises from the region on the competitiveness, growth and social responsibilities of firms	Round Table of the CEI Ministers of Economic Sectors (17 Ministers plus special guests): "Industrial policies for faster economic growth" (Europa Hall, sections C+D)		<b>4.7</b> Workshop: Entrepreneurial Module PART 2			
<b>16.00 16.30</b>	<i>Coffee break</i>						
<b>16.30 18.30</b>	Plenary session/ Closing ceremony: CEI Ministers of Economic Sectors (Troika); rapporteurs' conclusions on SEF main streams, on CECCI, on CEI Youth Forum, on the CEI programme in agriculture; general discussion (including press)  (Europa Hall, sections A+B)						
<b>Parallel events:</b>							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning: Meeting of the Presidents of the CEI Chambers of Commerce (Ljubljana or Portorož)</li> <li>• Morning: Round Table of the Insurance regulators</li> <li>• 9.00 – 11.00: Presentation of the UNECE-TER master plan</li> </ul>							
<b>Social events:</b>							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 13.00 - ICE Lunch for Italian entrepreneurs</li> <li>• 19.00 - Evening Reception for all SEF participants</li> </ul>							

**DAY 3 – Friday, 26 November 2004****Interactive Business Area**

(Emerald, section 2 + foyer, Nautilus and Daphnia rooms for bilateral meetings)

**09.30  
13.00**

- Project presentations
- Bilateral and focused meetings
- Stands, Promotional desks, Business info desks , Virtual stands (interactive computer screens with paper documentation), and match-making assistance for networking (these facilities are available throughout the three SEF days)

**Morning: Summit of the CEI Heads of Government**Parallel events:

- 9.30 - 11.00: Investment Compact / CEI Tackling the Policy Challenge of Dealing with the informal economy in Albania ([Mediterranea, section 1+2](#))
- 11.30 - 13.00: presentation of the EBRD Transition Report ([Mediterranea, section 1+2](#))