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EU and Black Sea Regional Cooperation
Common goals
Common interests
Common strategies**

Conference Venue

The German Chambers of Industry and Commerce
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MONDAY, 7 MAY 2007

09:00 hrs WELCOME

**09:15 hrs BLACK SEA POLICY – EUROPEAN NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICY
AND REGIONAL COOPERATION**

Chair: Markus Ederer, Head, Policy Planning, German Federal Foreign Office, Berlin

- **Gernot Erler**, MP, Minister of State at the German Federal Foreign Office / President Southeast Europe Association (Suedosteuropa-Gesellschaft / Southeast Europe Association), Berlin
- **Erhard Busek**, Special Coordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe, Brussels
- **Leonidas Chrisanthopoulos**, Secretary General of the Permanent International Secretariat, Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC), Athens
- **Janos Herman**, Principal Adviser, DG External Relations, European Commission, Brussels

10:30 hrs Coffee / Tea

**11:00 hrs COMMON GOALS, COMMON INTERESTS,
COMMON STRATEGIES?**

Chair: Gernot Erler, MP, Minister of State at the German Federal Foreign Office / President Southeast Europe Association (Suedosteuropa-Gesellschaft / Southeast Europe Association), Berlin

- **Valeriu Ostalep**, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integration of the Republic of Moldova, Chişinău
- **Nikoloz Vashakidze**, Georgian Deputy Foreign Minister in charge of regional cooperation and BSEC, Tbilisi
- **Celalettin Kart**, Ambassador, Director General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Turkey, Ankara
- **Nadejda Arbatova**, Head of Section of International Political Problems in Europe, Institute of World Economy and International Relations, Moscow
- **Stephen F. Larrabee**, Corporate Chair in European Security, RAND Corporation, Washington D.C.

13:00 hrs Lunch

14:00 hrs WORKING GROUPS: SECTORAL AREAS OF COOPERATION

The working groups meet from 14.00 hrs until 17:30 hrs. Coffee break at 15:30 hrs

Working Group I: Economic cooperation: Trade, investment and transport facilitation

Moderators

Mary O'Mahony, Senior Economic Advisor, Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe, Brussels

Rainer Geiger, Deputy Director, Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs, OECD, Paris

Short Statements related to Trade – Investment – Transport Facilitation

Sergiy Korsunsky, Director-General, Economic Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, Kiev

Prokopios Matzouranis, Directorate-General for Bilateral Economic Relations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic, Athens

Marina Naumova, Counsellor, Department of Economic Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, Moscow

Rapporteurs

Ihor Burakovsky, Director, Institute for Economic Research and Policy Consulting, Kiev

Volkhart Vincentz, Executive Managing Director, Institute for Eastern European Studies, Munich

Working Group II: Economic cooperation: Energy, Infrastructure and Environment

Moderators

Edgar Thielmann, Head of Unit and Acting Director for Trans-European networks - Energy and transport, European Commission, Brussels

Peter Gammeltoft, Head of Unit, Directorate D: Protection of Water and Marine Environment, Brussels

Short Statements related to Energy, Infrastructure, Environment

Dan Manoleli, Chairman, Black Sea NGO Network, Bucharest

Slavcho Neykov, Director, Energy Community Secretariat, Vienna

Atanas Atanassov Papparizov, Member of the Bulgarian National Assembly, Chairman of the European Integration Committee, Republic of Bulgaria, Sofia

Rapporteurs

Renaud van der Elst, Expert in Energy, Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe, Brussels

Ahmet Kideys, Executive Director, Permanent Secretariat to the Commission on the Protection of the Black Sea against Pollution, Istanbul

Working Group III: Internal security: Migration, combating organised crime, trafficking in human beings and in drugs

Moderators

Argentina Szabados, Regional Representative, International Organisation for Migration, Budapest

TBA

Short Statements related to Migration; Combating Organised Crime, Trafficking in Human Beings and Drugs

Uwe Kranz, LEAN Europe, Oberzell

Mitja Mocnik, Director of the SECI Regional Center for Combating Trans-Border Crime, Bucharest (TBC)

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Rapporteurs

Sorin Sterie, Expert on Organised Crime, Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe

Dimitrios Triantaphyllou, Executive Director, International Center for Black Sea Studies, Athens

Working Group IV: Governance, local cross border cooperation and civil society

Moderators

Alina Mungiu Pippidi, President, Romanian Academic Society, Bucharest

Ulrich Bohner, Chief Executive, Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, Council of Europe, Strasbourg

Short Statements related to Administrative cooperation / capacity building; Towns and Communities; Role of the Civil Society

Leila Alieva, President, Center for National and International Studies, Baku

Petra Blaess, Senior Consultant on Parliamentary Cooperation, Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe, Brussels

Igor Munteanu, Director, Institute for Development and Social Initiatives (IDIS) 'Viitorul', Chisinau

Rapporteurs

Fabrizio Tassinari, Center for European Policy Studies, Copenhagen

Ognyan Minchev, Executive Director, Institute for Regional and International Studies, Sofia

15:30 hrs **Coffee / Tea**

16:00 hrs **Continuation of the Working Groups**

17:30 hrs **End of the first conference day**

TUESDAY, 8 MAY 2007

09:00 hrs Part II: Reports of the Working Groups

Chair: Franz-Lothar Altmann, Member of the Board of Southeast Europe Association /
Wim van Meurs, Member of the Board of Southeast Europe Association

Working Group I

Working Group II

Working Group III

Working Group IV

11:00 hrs Coffee

11:30 hrs Looking Ahead: EU and Black Sea Regional Cooperation

Chair: Ambassador Hans-Dieter Lucas, Special Envoy for Eastern Europe, Central Asia
and Caucasus at the German Federal Foreign Office, Berlin

Political issues

- **Peter Semneby**, EU Special Representative for South Caucasus, Council of the European Union, Brussels
- **Kálmán Mizsei**, EU Special Representative for the Republic of Moldova, Council of the European Union, Brussels

Financial support

- **Panayotis Gavras**, Head, Policy and Strategy Department, Black Sea Trade and Development Bank, Thessaloniki
- **Franz Kaps**, Senior Partnership Advisor, World Bank, Europe and Central Asia Region and Special Representative of the World Bank Group for South East Europe Office for South East Europe; European Commission / World Bank, Brussels
- **Andreas Verykios**, Deputy Director General, European Lending Operations, European Investment Bank, Luxembourg

Concluding Remarks

- **Gernot Erler**, Minister of State at the German Federal Foreign Office / President Southeast Europe Association, Berlin

13:00 hrs Lunch/ End of the Conference

List of Invitees

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