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EUROPEAN COMMISSION
Enlargement Directorate-General

Fifth meeting of the WBIF Steering Committee AGENDA

Venue: European Investment Bank
98-100, boulevard Konrad Adenauer
L-2950 Luxembourg

Wednesday, 7 December 2011

*Co-chairmen: Mr. Haakon Blankenborg, MFA, Norway
Mr Gerhard Schumann-Hitzler, European Commission*

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| 8:30 – 9:00 | Welcome coffee and registration |
| 9:00 – 10:00 | Welcoming and introductory remarks
<i>Mr Dario Scannapieco, Vice-President, European Investment Bank – Host</i>
<i>Ms Elisabeth Walaas, Director General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway - co-chair</i>
<i>Mr Stefano Sannino, Director General DG Enlargement, EC – co-chair</i>
<i>Mr Bozidar Djelic, Deputy Prime Minister, Republic of Serbia</i>
<i>Mr Imre Tarafas, Vice- Governor, Council of Europe Development Bank</i>
<i>Mr Jean-Marc Peterschmitt, Managing Director, Central and SEE, EBRD</i>
<i>Ms Jane Armitage, Country Director and Regional Coordinator for SEE, World Bank</i> |
| 10:00 – 10:20 | Update on Economic Developments in the Region: Transition report
<i>Ms Piroska Nagy, Director for Country Strategy & Policy, Office of the Chief Economist, EBRD</i>
<i>Questions and Answers</i> |
| 10:20 – 11:20 | Projects submitted for approval
<i>Representatives of the beneficiaries and the IFIs</i>
<i>Co-chairmen of the Project Financiers Group</i>
<i>Questions and Answers</i> |
| 11:20 – 11:40 | Break |
| 11:40 – 12:10 | Projects submitted for approval |
| 12:10 – 13:00 | Private sector development project submitted for approval
<i>Mr Bozidar Djelic, Deputy Prime Minister, Republic of Serbia</i>
<i>Mr Hubert Cottogni, Head of Regional Business Development, European Investment Fund/ EBRD</i>
<i>Representatives of the beneficiaries and the IFIs</i>
<i>Co-chairmen of the Project Financiers Group</i>
<i>Questions and Answers</i> |

13:00 – 14:30	Lunch
14:30 – 15:00	<p>WBIF resources: review and pledging <i>Mr Haakon Blankenborg, MFA, Norway</i> <i>Mr Gerhard Schumann-Hitzler, European Commission</i> <i>Questions and Answers</i></p>
15:00 – 15:30	<p>Reporting on the implementation of approved projects <i>Mr Christos Gofas (ELARG D3) and Mr Massimo Cingolani (EIB),</i> <i>Co-chairmen of the Project Financiers Group</i> <i>Questions and Answers</i></p>
15:30 – 16:15	<p>Financing Energy efficiency in the Western Balkans <i>Ms Violeta Kogalniceanu, Energy Community Secretariat</i> <i>Mr Yngve Engström, Head of Unit Regional Programmes, DG Enlargement, EC</i> <i>Mr Dominique Courbin, Green for Growth Fund, EIB</i> <i>EBRD and KfW</i> <i>Questions and Answers</i></p>
16:15 – 16:45	Break
16:45 – 17:45	<p>PFG annual report 2011 and work programme 2012 and WBIF Resources (including future call for projects) <i>Mr Christos Gofas (ELARG D3) and Mr Massimo Cingolani (EIB),</i> <i>Co-chairmen of the Project Financiers Group</i> <i>Questions and Answers</i></p>
17:45 – 18:00	<p>Discussion to designate the co-chair of the Steering Committee for 2012 <i>Mr Haakon Blankenborg, MFA, Norway</i> <i>Mr Gerhard Schumann-Hitzler, European Commission</i> <i>Questions and Answers</i></p>
18:00 – 18:30	<p>Conclusions and recommendations <i>Mr Romualdo Massa Bernucci, Director Adriatic Sea Department - Lending Operations in Europe, EIB</i> <i>Mr Haakon Blankenborg, Deputy Director General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway</i> <i>Mr Gerhard Schumann-Hitzler, Director DG Enlargement, European Commission</i></p>
after the meeting 19:00	Cocktail

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Accommodation

As in previous meetings, travel and booking arrangements will be made directly by each participant. For those who have not yet booked their accommodation, please note the offers of two good hotels (Mélia and Royal) where the Bank pre-booked rooms at preferential rates. For Mélia please use the attached template for the reservation. The preferential rate is 140 Euros for a single room and 155 Euros for a double room at the Mélia hotel. For the Royal, please contact the hotel: <http://www.leroyalluxembourg.com> and mention the code « WBIF Steering committee meeting 07/12/2011 ».

A bus will take you to EIB from the hotels in the morning at 8h15 and back to the hotels after meeting and the cocktail at 19h30.

In case of need, do not hesitate to contact Ms Duarte at EIB secretariat (m.duarteviegas@eib.org)

Social event

On the 6 December evening, EIB organizes a dinner for all the participants. Buses will leave from the front of the Hotel Mélia at 19:30 and in front of the Hotel Royal at 19:45.

Buses will bring you back at the hotel at 22h30.