

## **UBCCE THIRD BUSINESS FORUM**

### **“SEIZING NEW INVESTMENT AND TRADE OPPORTUNITIES IN THE BLACK SEA AND CASPIAN IN THE POST CRISIS ERA”**

**HOTEL NIKOPOLIS, THESSALONIKI, GREECE, NOVEMBER 12 - 13**

#### **DRAFT AGENDA**

#### **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**08:45 - 09:15      REGISTRATION**

**09:15 - 10:00      OPENING CEREMONY**

*Introductory statements by*

**Dr. Athanase Lavidas**, President, UBCCE and

Vice Chairman of BoD & Head of International Affairs, SEV

**Mr. Nikos Pentzos**, President, Federation of Industries of Northern Greece (FING)

**Amb. Leonidas Chrysanthopoulos**, Secretary General, BSEC

*Inauguration of the Business Forum by*

**Mr. Spyros Kouvelis**, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Hellenic Republic

**10:00 -11:15**

#### **PANEL SESSION I**

#### **IMPACT OF THE CRISIS ON REGIONAL ECONOMIES AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION INITIATIVES IN THE BLACK SEA AND CASPIAN**

*Introductory words and moderated by*

**Mr. Ahmet Erentok**, Vice President, UBCCE and

President, Azerbaijan Turkey Business Association (ATIB)

**Ms. Eftychia Bacopoulou**, Secretary General, BSEC Business Council

**Mr. Ghinea Arminio Iorga**, Head of Policy and Strategy Department, Black Sea Trade and  
Development Bank (BSTDB)

**Mr. Daniel Quadbeck**, Policy Analyst, OECD

**Mr. Iuliu Bara**, Head, Joint Management Authority of the Black Sea Programme 2007–13

**11:15 – 11:30**

#### **COFFEE BREAK**

**11:30 - 13:00**

#### **PANEL SESSION II**

#### **UNLOCKING THE POTENTIAL OF THE BLACK SEA AND CASPIAN Investment Opportunities in SouthEastern Europe Countries**

*Introductory words and moderated by*

**Mr. Giuseppe Belsito**, Programme Manager, UNDP Black Sea Trade and Investment  
Promotion Programme (BSTIP)

**Mr. Stoyan Stalev**, Executive Director, Invest Bulgaria Agency

**Mr. Bojan Jankovic**, Deputy Director, Serbia Investment and Export Promotion Agency

**Ms Anca Tatu**, Counselor, Romanian Agency for Foreign Investment

**Mr. Sergiy Taran**, Chairman, National Agency of Ukraine for Foreign Investment & Development

**13:00 – 14:30 NETWORKING LUNCH**

*Keynote speech by*

**Mr. Marcos Bolaris**, Deputy Minister of Economy, Competitiveness and Maritime,  
Hellenic Republic

“The dynamism of North Greece and its pivotal role in South East Europe”

**14:30 - 16:30**

**PANEL SESSION III  
UNLOCKING THE POTENTIAL OF THE BLACK SEA AND CASPIAN  
Investment Opportunities in South Caucasus and Central Asia Countries**

*Introductory words and moderated by*

**Mr. Apostolos Tsoukalas**, CEO, Invest in Greece Agency

**Mr Irfan Tokgoz**, Deputy Director General, Directorate General of Foreign Direct Investment,  
Undersecretariat of Treasury of the Republic of Turkey

**Mr. Besiki Chantladze**, Investors Relations Coordinator, Georgian National Investment Agency

**Mr. Shragim Shams Araghi**, Deputy Director General, Foreign Investment Bureau of the  
Organization for Investment Economic and Technical Assistance of Iran

**Mr. Salar Mohammed Ameen**, Vice Chairman, National Investment Commission of Iraq

**16:30-18:30**

**B2B MEETINGS** (*upon request*)

**20:30**

**DINNER** (*at local restaurant for foreign participants*)

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**08:45 – 10:30**

**UBCCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING IV**

**11:00 – 13:30**

**VISITS TO NORTH GREECE INDUSTRIES** (for foreign participants)

11.00-12.00 NORTH AEGEAN SEA & CANNERIES SA (*food industry*)

12.00-13.30 ALUMIL SA (*aluminum profiles*)

**13:30 – 14:15**

**BUFFET LUNCH**

*Hosted by ALUMIL SA*

**15:30 – 17:00**

**VISIT TO VERGINA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE**

**17:30 - 19:00**

**THESSALONIKI CITY TOUR**

*The Forum working language will be English.*