

## SOUTH EAST EUROPE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

### Agenda of the First Meeting of the South East Europe Investment Committee Working Group on Investment Promotion and Policy (WGIPP)

21 February 2013  
Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

#### Wednesday, 20 February 2013

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Arrival of Participants

#### Thursday, 21 February 2013

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Venue: Regional Cooperation Council Secretariat, Sarajevo

Moderated by: Dragana Djurica, Project Leader South East Europe Investment Committee (SEEIC)

09.00 – 09.30 **Arrival of participants**

09.30 – 10.00 **Welcome address**

*Introductory remarks to be provided by the RCC Secretariat / SEEIC, review of the SEEIC Work Plan for the 2013 and priorities of the Integrated Growth Pillar and the general concept of the SEE 2020 Strategy.*

- **Dragana Djurica**, Project Leader, South East Europe Investment Committee

*Discussion, Q&A*

10.00 – 11.30 **Taking stock of investment policies, activities and current FDI flows in the region**

*This session will be used to review the investment policies currently in place or planned in the region with a view on potential regional consolidation. It will also take stock of the overall FDI flows, followed by a tour the table among all participants on the current capture of national statistics on FDI inflow, overview of the existing situation and performance pertaining to the attraction of inflow of FDI, taking into account individual national priorities, as well as challenges and obstacles to these activities.*

- *Inputs by the OECD Investment Compact for SEE*
- *Tour de table and discussion*

11.30 – 11.45 Coffee break



**11.45 – 13.00 Conditions hindering investment and possible regional approaches**

*The session will review some of the existing conditions in the Western Balkans that possibly impede investment and consider possible actions to alleviate these impediments. The focus of the discussion will be on possible regional approaches that would complement activities at the national level.*

- *Inputs by the OECD Investment Compact for SEE*
- *Tour de table and discussion*

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch

**14.30 – 16.00 Prospects and timeline for joint activities within the WGIPP**

*Enhancing the investment climate and boosting investment promotion feature as priorities of SEE 2020 Strategy and the SEEIC work plan. This session will seek to establish an agreement on activities and mutual points of interests of the WGIPP in the area of raising investment profile, joint investment promotion of the region and cooperation and, if feasible, coordination of investment policies. Discussion in a form of a tour-de-table among participants on prospective contribution to each of the determined priority activity, with a focus on:*

- *Identification of investment promotion mechanisms with common grounds*
- *Prospective for revival of a regional network of IPAs in a formalized manner of cooperation under the auspices and chairmanship of the RCC/SEEIC;*
- *Identifying elements and/or sectors of economy that could be mutually promoted and brought into focus of the SEEIC;*
- *Promoting loyal competition, exchange of information and peer meetings;*
- *Setting up regional investment promotion visual identity and pertaining materials, and developing communication tools;*
- *Exploring possibilities for organization of regional investment promotion events;*
- *Mobilizing support from donors and other regional and/or international partners for a targeted regional investment promotion effort.*

*Discussion, Q&A*

**16.00 – 16.30 Adoption of conclusions and steps going forward**

*Recap and final agreement on the activities of the WGIPP, including roles and responsibilities and timelines. Preparing the inputs for the next SEEIC meeting.*

19:00 - Dinner

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**Friday, 22 February 2013**

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Departure of participants

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