

Chairmanship: Malta

**CONCLUDING MEETING OF THE  
31st ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM**

**Enhancing security and stability in the OSCE region through digital  
innovation, contributing to sustainable development and  
climate adaptation**

**Opening plenary session (open to the press)**

1. Date: Thursday, 12 September 2024  
  
Opened: 9.30 a.m.  
Closed: 10.20 a.m.
  
2. Chairperson: Ambassador N. Meli Daudey (Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council) (Malta) (Moderator)
  
3. Subjects discussed – Statements:  
  
Agenda item 1: *Opening session*  
  
(a) *Welcoming remarks*
  - H.E. Mr. J. Lipavský, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Czechia (EEF.DEL/44/24 OSCE+)
  - H.E. Mr. C. Cutajar, Ministry for Foreign and European Affairs and Trade, Malta (EEF.DEL/41/24 OSCE+)
  - Ms. C. Fearon, Officer-in-Charge/Secretary General, Director of the OSCE Conflict Prevention Centre (CPC), Deputy Head of the OSCE Secretariat

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1 Includes a correction under point 4 to the modalities for the meetings.

(b) *Keynote speech*

- H.E. Ms. S. Grynchuk, Minister of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources, Ukraine (EEF.DEL/45/24 OSCE+)

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 12 September 2024, at 10.30 a.m., in the plenary hall

## Opening Session

1. Date: Thursday, 12 September 2024  
  
Opened: 10.40 a.m.  
Closed: 12.40 p.m.
  
2. Chairperson: Ambassador N. Meli Daudey (Malta) (Moderator)  
Ms. D. Borg (Malta)
  
3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

Agenda item 2: *Statements by delegations*

Moderator, Hungary-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Ukraine; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway members of the European Economic Area, as well as Andorra and San Marino, in alignment) (EEF.DEL/33/24), United States of America, Slovakia (EEF.DEL/25/24 OSCE+), Azerbaijan (EEF.DEL/35/24 OSCE+), Holy See (EEF.DEL/30/24 OSCE+), Slovenia (EEF.DEL/27/24 OSCE+), Georgia, United Kingdom, Ireland (EEF.DEL/26/24), North Macedonia (EEF.DEL/40/24 OSCE+), Germany (EEF.DEL/37/24 OSCE+), Bulgaria, Kazakhstan, Switzerland (EEF.DEL/38/24 OSCE+), Italy (EEF.DEL/28/24 OSCE+), Norway, Armenia, Türkiye, Canada (EEF.DEL/31/24 OSCE+), Finland, Uzbekistan, Russian Federation (EEF.DEL/29/24), Belarus (EEF.DEL/32/24 OSCE+), Tajikistan, France, Ukraine (EEF.DEL/46/24 OSCE+), Mongolia, Lithuania, Turkmenistan, Czechia

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 12 September 2024, at 2.30 p.m., in the plenary hall

## Plenary session I

1. Date: Thursday, 12 September 2024

Opened: 2.40 p.m.

Closed: 3.40 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador S. Schütz (Germany) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

Agenda item 3: *Addressing risks to sustainable economic development in light of the digital transition, thereby promoting stability and security in the OSCE region*

(a) *Speakers*

- Mr. T. Novak, OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Special Representative on Artificial Intelligence
- Ms. K. Liekkilä, National Emergency Supply Agency, Finland
- Mr. J. Sherbrock-Cox, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, United Kingdom
- Ms. M. Cardarilli, European Commission, Joint Research Centre

(b) *Discussion:* Moderator, Hungary-European Union, Switzerland (EEF.DEL/39/24 OSCE+), Latvia, Canada, Belgium, Russian Federation, Ireland, Ms. M. Cardarilli, Mr. J. Sherbrock-Cox, Ms. K. Liekkilä, Mr. T. Novak, United Kingdom

4. Next meeting:

Thursday, 12 September 2024, at 5 p.m., in the plenary hall

## Plenary session II

1. Date: Thursday, 12 September 2024

Opened: 5.10 p.m.

Closed: 6.40 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador H. Amannazarov (Turkmenistan) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

Agenda item 4: *Harnessing technological advancements to address the economic, environmental and social impacts of climate change, which may negatively affect prosperity, stability and security*

(a) *Speakers*

- Ms. V. Hunt Šafránková, Brussels Office, UNEP
- Mr. S. Stroobants, Institute for Economics and Peace
- Ms. A. Pouponneau, Policy and Strategy Adviser to the AOSIS Chair
- Ms. S. Ospanova, Senior Environmental Affairs Adviser, Office of the Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities (OCEEA)
- Mr. S. Crouzat, Ambassador of the French Republic to Czechia

(b) *Discussion:* Moderator, Hungary-European Union, United Kingdom, Mr. S. Crouzat, Ms. S. Ospanova, Ms. A. Pouponneau, Mr. S. Stroobants, Ms. V. Hunt Šafránková

4. Next meeting:

Friday, 13 September 2024, at 9.30 a.m., in the plenary hall

### Plenary session III

1. Date: Friday, 13 September 2024

Opened: 9.40 a.m.  
Closed: 10.50 a.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador A. Callan (Ireland) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

Agenda item 5: *The importance of good governance policies and frameworks for economic growth, innovation and sustainable development, contributing to stability and security*

(a) *Speakers*

- Ms. G. Klincarova, Ministry of Digital Transformation, North Macedonia
- Ms. A. Ramasastry, Special Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Corruption
- Ms. K. Fresonke, Department of State, United States of America
- Mr. B. Scheffers, EU Advisory Mission for Civilian Security Sector Reform (EUAM Ukraine)

(b) *Discussion:* Moderator, Hungary-European Union, Bosnia and Herzegovina, United States of America, Switzerland, Canada, Mr. B. Scheffers, Ms. K. Fresonke, Ms. A. Ramasastry, Ms. G. Klincarova

4. Next meeting:

Friday, 13 September 2024, at 12 noon, in the plenary hall

## Concluding plenary session

1. Date: Friday, 13 September 2024

Opened: 12.05 p.m.

Closed: 1 p.m.

2. Chairperson: Ambassador F. Raunig (Austria) (Moderator)

3. Subjects discussed – Statements:

Agenda item 6: *Wrap-up discussion*

(a) *Closing statements by delegations:* Moderator, Hungary-European Union (with the candidate countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia and Ukraine; the European Free Trade Association countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, as well as Andorra and San Marino, in alignment) (EEF.DEL/34/24), Armenia, Türkiye, Canada (EEF.DEL/43/24 OSCE+), Kyrgyzstan, United States of America, Azerbaijan (EEF.DEL/36/24 OSCE+)

(b) *Concluding remarks*

– Ambassador B. Dzhusupov, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities

– Ambassador V. Häkinnen, Permanent Representative of Finland to the OSCE

– Ambassador N. Meli Daudey, Permanent Representative of Malta to the OSCE, Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council (EEF.DEL/42/24 OSCE+)

4. Next meeting:

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Chairmanship: Finland