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High Level Forum: Building the Bridge to Clean Technologies between the European Union and Central Asian countries

April 15-18, 2015

Baltic Beach Hotel, 23/25 Jūras iela, Majori, Jūrmala

MEDIA PROGRAMME

Journalists are welcome to participate in all conference sessions.

All interview requests shall be communicated to Rūta Grikmane, media@greenbridgeforum.com, +371 29 630 923

On April 15 media can ask additional questions at the discussion from 16:45.

Interviews with the representatives of companies and other participants will be organised on April 16 and 17.

Please note that only accredited media will be allowed to the forum. Media accreditation is

open till 13 April <http://www.greenbridgeforum.com/en/gbf2015/registration/>

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Working languages: English, Russian

Wednesday, 15 April

WELCOME AND OPENING DAY

14:00 -14:10 Media transport at Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of Latvia, Peldu iela 25.

14:10 – 14:45 Media transfer to Jūrmala

14:45 -15:00 Media registration

15:00– 17:00 WELCOME AND OPENING OF THE FORUM (Conference Hall “Jūra & Jūrmala”)

Moderator: *Mr Andris Piebalgs*, Former EU Commissioner for Energy and former EU Commissioner for Development

Statements:

- *Mr Karmenu Vella*, European Commissioner for Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries (tbc)
- *Mr Kaspars Gerhards*, Minister for Environmental Protection and Regional Development of Latvia
- *Mr Andrejs Pildegovičs*, State Secretary of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Latvia
- *Mr Rapol Žilinskas*, Lithuania's Deputy Foreign Minister and Commissioner for EXPO-2017 in Astana
- *Mr Nurlan Sadykov*, Deputy Minister of Energy and Industry of the Kyrgyz Republic
- *Mr Naim Sulaymonov*, Head of Main Department on Energy and Water Resources Policy, Ministry of Energy and Water resources of Tajikistan
- *Mr Myratgeldi Meredov*, Vice-Minister, Ministry of Petroleum and Mineral Resources of Turkmenistan
- *Mr Bakhtiyor Abdusamatov*, Chairman of the State Nature Protection Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan

16:45 – 17:00 Discussion (Q&A)



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17:15 – 18:00 Media delivery back to Riga

Thursday, 16 April REGIONAL SPOTLIGHT DAY

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Conference Hall “Jūra & Jūrmala”

09:15 – 09:30 Media registration

09.30 – 09.40 Opening of the Regional Spotlight Day

- **Mr Kaspars Gerhards**, Minister of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of Latvia
- **Mr Peter Burian**, State Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic
- **Mr Gatis Truksnis**, Mayor of Jūrmala

09:40 – 10:00 MORNING KEYNOTE

The EU Strategy for Central Asia and Multi-Annual Regional Indicative Programme for Central Asia (2014-2020)

- **Speaker: Mr Pierre Amilhat**, Director, European Commission; International Cooperation and Development; Asia, Central Asia, Middle East/Gulf and Pacific

10:00 – 12:00 PLENARY 1 Environment, climate and water: main achievements and way forward

Moderator: Mr Andris Piebalgs, Former EU Commissioner for Energy and former EU Commissioner for Development

Speakers:

- **Mr Myratgeldi Meredov**, Vice-Minister, Ministry of Petroleum and Mineral Resources of Turkmenistan
- **Ms Liubov Ten**, Adviser on economy and development to the Minister of Economy of the Kyrgyz Republic (tbc)
- **Representative of the Republic of Kazakhstan (tbc)**
- **Mr Mukhmadumar Asozod**, Head of Energy and Water Resources Policy, Technology and Science Department of Tajikistan
- **Mr Shakhridin Suvanov**, Head of Department in the Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources (tbc)
- **Mr Massimo Cozzone**, Chair of EU-Central Asia Working Group on Environmental Governance and Climate Change, Directorate for Sustainable Development, Environmental Damage, European Union and International Affairs, Ministry for the Environment Land and Sea, Republic of Italy
- **Mr Gheorghe Constantin**, Chair of the EU Water Initiative (EUWI) for Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia, General Director of Water Department, the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change of Romania (tbc)

Summary of Plenary 1



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14:00 – 15:30 PLENARY 2 Enabling Environment Investment Projects

Moderator: *Mr Jean-Claude Boidin*, Head of Unit, European Commission's division responsible for IFCA and Central Asia, DG DEVCO (tbc)

Speakers:

- *Mr Jonathan Peel*, VP REX Section, European Economic & Social Committee
- *Mr Bastian Veigel*, Regional Manager, Strategic Cooperation and Partnerships Europe, Caucasus, Central Asia; Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
- *Mr Andrejs Pumpurs*, CEO, Founder, Green Bridge Forum
- *Ms Sylvie Motard*, Deputy Director of the Regional Office for Europe, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- *Ms Ilze Purina*, Senior Expert, Sustainable Energy Programme for Central Asia (CASEP)
- *Representative*, EXPO-2017 in Astana, Kazakhstan (tbc)
- *Mr Oybek Egamberdiev*, Head of the State Ecological Expertize Department under SCNP of Republic of Uzbekistan

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee Break

16:00 – 17:30 PLENARY 3 Expanding Innovative and Sustainable Clean Technology Projects

Moderator: *Ms Ilze Prūse*, Director of the Climate Change Department at the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of the Republic of Latvia

Speakers:

- *Dr Indulis Emsis*, former Prime Minister, former Minister of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of the Republic of Latvia
- *Mr Volker Frobarth*, Programme Director Trans-Boundary Water Management of Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit
- *Mr Heinrich Wyes*, Deputy Executive Director, Central Asian Regional Environmental Center
- *Dr. sc. ing. Tālis Juhna*, Vice-Rector for Research, Riga Technical University
- *Ms Galina Artyuhina*, Executive Director, Kazakhstan Business Council for Sustainable Development (KBCSD)
- *Dr George Bonas*, Managing Director, Scientific Coordinator of the IncoNet CA project (FP7, Horizon 2020)
- *Mr Viktor Mochalov*, Head of department, Research Institute "Sun" of the Academy of Sciences of Turkmenistan

Friday, April 17

TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE DAY

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Conference Hall "Jūra & Jūrmala"

09:15 – 9:30 Media registration

9:30 – 10:00 Opening of the Technology Showcase Day

- *Ms Alda Ozola*, Deputy State Secretary, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development of the Republic of Latvia

10:00 – 11:00 TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE 1: WATER SUPPLY AND WASTE WATER TREATMENT

Moderator: Ms Evija Pudāne, CFO, Cleantech Latvia, “Water Management technologies and solutions offered in Central Asia by Latvian companies”

Speakers:

- **Mr Aivars Brambis**, Aqua-Brambis, “Experience of “AQUA-BRAMBIS” in the field of consultations and design of water supply and sanitation systems”
- **Mr Paweł Markowicz**, Director Project Office, Aqua Seen, „Panta Rhei - AQUA Seen activity”
- **Mr Andrejs Belogorskis**, CEO, Karme Filtrs, „Membrane technology in water treatment industry. Modern trends and practical experience”
- **Mr Ganibek Urazbayev**, Director, Almaty Department of Energy and Communal Services
- **Mr Jānis Zviedris**, Head of Division of Environmental Solutions, Vega 1, „Alternative and cost-effective solutions for biological wastewater treatment in small and medium-sized villages and towns - SBR (Sequencing batch reactors)”
- **Mr Guntars Vingris**, Chairman of the Board, „Biological wastewater treatment plants”

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 12:00 TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE2: CLEANSING OF CONTAMINATED SOIL & FORESTRY

Moderator: Uģis Rotbergs

Speakers:

- **Ms Dagnija Lazdina**, Senior Researcher, Silava “Trees as recultivation or fitopurification instrument and usage of municipal residues (wastewater sludge and wood ash) for "rehabilitation" of tree stands”
- **Ms Arta Bažovska**, CEO, Board member, Venteko, “The application of innovative, high precision pollution survey technologies for effective realization of polluted sites remediation process”
- **Mr Gundars Skudriņš**, Chairman of the Board, Institute for Environmental Solutions, „Investing in root cause analysis and environmental status assessment – the key to effective problem solving”
- **Mr Djalil Buzrukov**, Adviser to the Minister of Environment, Head of TB SIC ICSD, Secretary of NCSD of the Republic of Tajikistan

12:00 – 13:00 TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE 3: ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND MANAGEMENT

Moderator: Ms Anda Kursiša, CEO, Industrial energy efficiency cluster of Latvia

Speakers:

- **Mr Artis Dzirkalis**, CEO, CMB Energy auditing, “Single procedure of energy audit and management”
- **Representative** of Lattelecom
- **Mr Kārlis Maulics**, Development Director, Belss, „Energ audits in public buildings”
- **Mr Vladimir Parafilov**, Shubarkol Komir, Kazakstan, “Diversification projects and the green economy the coal mining company”
- **Mr Tommi Luostarinen**, Nocart, Finland, “Energy self-sufficient minigrid with bio and solar”

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch



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14:30 – 15:30 TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE 4: INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION OF CLEANTECH CLUSTERS

Moderator: Mr Andrejs Pumpurs, Founder and CEO, Green Bridge Forum

Speakers:

- **Ms Marianne Rist-Larsen Reime**, Project Manager, Oslo Renewable Energy and Environment Cluster, OREEC, Norway
- **Mr Marat Sharshekeev**, President of Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Kyrgyzstan
- **Ms Galina Artyuhina**, Managing Director, Kazakhstan Business Council for Sustainable Development
- **Mr Jonas Mortensen**, CLEAN Cluster, Denmark
- **Ms Emmi Kaipio**, Project Coordinator, Lahti Region Development LADEC, Finland
- **Ms Dina Eglīte**, Managing Director, Cleantech Latvia

15:30 – 16:30 TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE 5: WASTE AS RESOURCE AND ENERGY

Moderator: Mr Valdis Bisters, CEO, General Energy Group, “Green industrial zone development in Kazakhstan: case study”

Speakers:

- **Ms Sandra Eglīte**, Lautus, “Medical Waste Management”
- **Ms Nina Gor**, Project Manager, UNDP/GEF Project “NIP update, integration of POPs into national planning and promoting sound healthcare waste management in Kazakhstan”, United Nations Development Programme, Kazakhstan
- **Mr Juris Vanags**, CEO, Biotehniskais centrs JSC, „The application of submerged bioreactors in environmental protection”
- **Mr Vadim Mishtshenko**, Sales Director, Technobalt, „Technobalt waste sorting solutions”
- **Ms Teija Suutari**, Ferroplan, Finland, „Ferroplan – Environmental technology solutions”

16:30 - 17:00 Closing, summing up and feedback from participants

Saturday, April 18 BUSINESS SITE TOUR DAY

For transport requests, time of the tours and other information, please contact Rūta Grikmane, +371 29 630 923

Scheduled tours to clean technology industry and technology sites in Latvia.

Tour 1 Water supply and sanitation Nano filtration water treatment plant in Jūrmala, Latvia by Karne Filtrs

Tour 2 Energy Efficiency

Industrial Energy efficiency program implemented by Dinex

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