

Small and Medium Entrpreneurs Union of the European People's Party



SEA Serbian Employers Association

## **II. International Serbian SME Congress**

Organised by SASME (Serbian Association of Small and Medium Sized Enterprises) and SEA (Serbian Employers Association) in cooperation with the SME UNION of the European People's Party

# «Via Economic Cooperation to EU Integration»

Saturday, 18th December 2004

Sava Center – Congress Hall, Belgrade, Serbia

### AGENDA

(Translations provided: English, French, German and Serbian)

8:30-9:00 Registration

9:00-10:00 Opening Session: Welcoming Remarks and Keynote Speeches

#### Welcoming Remarks

- Boris TADIĆ, President of the Republic of Serbia
- Jacques SANTER, President of the SME UNION of the European People's Party (EPP)
- Esmeralda HERNANDEZ ARAGONES, EC Delegation to Serbia and Montenegro Counsellor
- **Miroljub LABUS**, Deputy Prime Minister, President of G17plus
- Maurizio MASSARI, Ambassador, Head of OSCE Mission to Serbia and Montenegro
- Vojislav KOŠTUNICA, Prime Minister, President of DSS (tbc)

#### Keynote Speeches

- Luc VANDEPUTTE, Deputy Secretary of the European People's Party
- Werner FASSLABEND, President of the Political Academy of the Austrian People's Party
- Sergio ARZENI, Head of the Program LEED (Local Economic and Employment Development) Partner Club OECD
- Dragutin ZAGORAC, President of SMEA (Serbia-Montenegro Employers Association)
- Goran JESIC, Mayor of Indjija

#### 10.00-11.30

#### Panel 1: Political Stabilization of Serbia on the Way to European Integration

Introduction and Moderation: Bernhard LAMERS, Director of Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Belgrade

#### Keynote speeches

- Miroljub LABUS, Deputy Prime Minister, President of G17plus
- Vojislav KOŠTUNICA, Prime Minister, President of DSS (tbc)

#### Impulse-Statements

- Dragan ŠOĆ, President of People's Party of Montenegro
- Maurizio MASSARI, Ambassador, Head of OSCE Mission to Serbia and Montenegro
- Patrick MOULIN, UMP, SME UNION France
- Tanja MIŠČEVIĆ, Head of European Studies Department of G-17 Institute
- **Pantelis SKLIAS**, Head of International Cooperation Office, Constantinos Karamanlis Institute for Democracy
- Cesare COCCHI, SME UNION Italy
- Antonio PEÑALOSA, Secretary General of the International Organization of Employers

Discussion

11:30-11:45 Coffee Break

#### 11:45-13:15 Panel 2: Small and Medium Enterprises in the Process of Globalisation

Introduction and Moderation: Patrick VOLLER, SME UNION Secretary General

#### Keynote speech

• Predrag BUBALO, Minister of Economy and Privatization of Serbia

#### Impulse-Statements

- Petar PAVLOVIC, Deputy- Minister of Economy and Privatization of Serbia
- Slobodan MILOSAVLJEVIC, Director of the Serbian Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Ludger FISCHER, Secretary General of Young Entrepreneurs of UEAPME (European Association of Craft Small and Medium-sized Enterprises)
- Simona MARZETTI, Secretary General of INSME (International Network for SMEs)
- Jerzy SAMBORSKI, SME UNION Poland
- Hermann STURM, President of \_the German Union of Small and Medium-Sized Companies ("Union Mittelstaendischer Unternehmen"- UMU)
- Guy DE VAUCORBEIL, President of the Glass-makers District of Normandy (France)
- Christian PASSIN, International Network Department of the Political Academy of the Austrian Peoples Party

#### Discussion



#### 14:30-16:00

#### Panel 3: Attracting Investments and Strengthening the Finance Sector in the Balkans

Introduction and Moderation: Peter JUNGEN, Co-President of the SME UNION and Angel Investor

#### Keynote speech

Ivan MIKLOS, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance of Slovakia

#### Impulse-Statements

- Blagoje PAUNOVIC, Professor, University of Belgrade, Faculty of economics
- Branko RADULOVIC, The World Bank, Country Office for Serbia and Montenegro
- Tomaž TOPLAK, Vice-President of SME UNION of the EPP, President of SME UNION Slovenia
- Richard DANICIC, Executive Director of American Chamber of Commerce in Serbia and Montenegro
- Dragica PILIPOVIĆ, EBRD Bank for Serbia and Montenegro
- Markus FERSTL and Vladimir ČUPIĆ, Members of the Board of HYPO Alpe-Adria Bank
- Nebojša ŽARKOVIĆ, Director of DDOR Novi Sad (Insurance company)

#### Discussion

#### 16.00-17.00 Conclusions moderated by Peter JUNGEN, Co-President of the SME UNION

18.30-20.00 Reception given by the President of Serbia, Boris TADIĆ The Republic of Serbia Presidency - New Palace Andricev Venac 1 Beograd

#### 20.00 Dinner for VIP guests

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