

DRAFT AGENDA¹



Small Business Act Assessment for the Western Balkans and Turkey (2016-19)

Reconciliation meeting

Tuesday, 17 April 2018
Hotel Sirius, Pristina



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RECONCILIATION MEETING

THE SBA ASSESSMENT FOR THE WESTERN BALKANS AND TURKEY (2016-19)

9:00 - 15:00

Set-up and objective

The reconciliation meeting will consist of an opening plenary session (9:00 – 09:45), followed by bilateral meetings by policy dimension with the relevant government assessors (from relevant ministries, agencies and Statistical Institute) and non-government stakeholders (10:00 – 15:00).

The three main objective of the meeting are to (1) close any remaining information gaps in the SBA questionnaire and the statistical sheet; (2) compare divergences between the government and the independent SBA assessment and align the government and the independent assessment findings and (3) to provide a project update and to outline the next steps

AGENDA PLENARY OPENING SESSION

09:00 - 09:30 **Opening remarks** **Room 1**

- **Mr Besian Mustafa**, Director- General, KIESA, SBA Co-ordinator
- **Ms Marzena Kisielewska**, Head of OECD South East Europe Division

09:30 - 09:45 **Overview of SBA assessment process and of qualitative and quantitative data gaps**

- **Umur Gökçe**, Project Manager, OECD South East Europe Division

Questions and answers

09:45 - 10:00 **COFFEE BREAK**

DIMENSION-SPECIFIC BILATERAL MEETINGS

For each policy dimension, government representatives, non-government stakeholders, OECD and EBRD experts along with the independent consultant will discuss the remaining information gaps and discrepancies between the government self-assessment and the independent assessment. During each session,

- *The OECD/EBRD analysts will give a short presentation to introduce each main topic of discussion*
- *Each introduction will be followed by a number of questions from the OECD analyst to guide participants in a broader discussion of the main topic.*

10:00 - 12:00 **Assessment reconciliation: Dimension 2: Bankruptcy and second chance** **Room 2**

- **Mr. Gazmend Mejzini**, Chief-Executive, Kosovo Business Registration Agency (ARBK).

- **Mr. Isuf Jahmurataj**, Senior Legal Officer, Ministry of Justice
- **Mr. Nevahi Rexhepi**, Acting Manager for Project Management, Kosovo Tax Administration
- **Mr. Muhamet Kastrati**, Database Manager, Kosovo Statistic Agency
- **Mr Ali-Fuad Turgut**, Policy Analyst, OECD South East Europe Division

10:00 - 12:00 **Assessment reconciliation: Dimension 3: Institutional and regulatory framework for SME policy making** **Room 3**

- **Ms. Shkurte Krasniqi**, Economic Policy Coordinator, Prime Minister Office
- **Ms. Arlinda Likaj**, European Integration Coordinator, Prime Minister Office
- **Mr. Nehat Pllana**, Senior Legal Officer, Prime Minister Office
- **Mr. Vedat Sagonjeva**, Acting Director at the Strategic Planning Office, Prime Minister Office
- **Ms. Rudina Nallbani**, Senior Officer for Economic Development, Ministry of Economic Development
- **Ms. Rajmonda Kukalaj**, Director at the Governance Directory, Ministry of European Integration
- **Mr. Fidan Gërxhaliu**, Fiscal Policy Analyst, Ministry of Finance
- **Mr. Nol Buzhala**, Directory Director for Private Sector Development, KIESA, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Mr. Remzije Hajdari**, Ministry of Trade and Industry representative
- **Ms. Arbëresha Loxha**, Research Fellow, GLPS
- **Mr. Taulant Hoxha**, Program Director, KCSF
- **Ms. Jovana Pavlovic**, Policy Analyst, OECD South East Europe Division

10:00 - 12:00 **Assessment reconciliation: Dimension 7: Standards and Technical Regulations** **Room 4**

- **Mr. Hafiz Gara**, Chief-Executive, Kosovo Standardisation Agency
- **Mr. Gurakuq Kastrati**, Head of Quality Infrastructure Division, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Ms. Ardiana Krrabaj**, Head of Sector for Training and Commination with Organization, Kosovo Accreditation Agency
- **Ms. Lebibe Haliti**, Head of Legal Issues Sector, Market Inspectorate, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Mr. Isa Elshani**, Head of Legal Metrology Directory, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Mr. Avdullah Jasiqi**, Directory of Scientific and Industrial Metrology, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Mr. Rrustem Abiti**, Kosovo Chamber of Commerce
- **Ms. Lumnije Hashani**, Kosovo Chamber of Commerce
- **Mr. Umur Gökçe**, Project Manager, OECD South East Europe Division

- **Ms. Mona Mirtsch**, Innovation Economist, Technische Universität Berlin

10:00 - 12:00 Assessment reconciliation: **Dimension 5a: Support services for SMEs and start-ups** **Room 5**

- **Mr. Muhamet Hashani**, Senior Officer for Industrial Policy Research, Monitoring and Analyses, Department of Industry, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Mr. Remzi Ahmeti**, Head of Export Promotion Sector, KIESA, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Mr. Kreshnik Thaqi**, Head of Investment Promotion Sector, KIESA, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Mr. Burim Mexhuani**, Head of Sector, Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports
- **Mr. Vedat Macastena**, IT Officer, Kosovo Business Registration Agency, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Ms. Rajmonda Kukalaj**, Director at the Governance Directory, Ministry of European Integration
- **Mr. Kastriot Vrella**, Senior Officer for Internal Trade Policy, European Integration Department, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Mr. Ismail Sahiti**, Head of Division for Economic Statistics, Kosovo Statistic Agency
- **Ms. Lumnije Ajdini**, Director, Alliance of Kosovar Businesses (AKB)
- **Mr. Martin Kohtze**, Policy Analyst, OECD South East Europe Division

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13:00 - 15:00 Assessment reconciliation: **Dimension 4: Operational environment for SMEs** **Room 2**

- **Mr. Burim Balaj**, Director of the Directory for Administrative Procedure Rationalization, Ministry of Public Administration
- **Mr. Isuf Jahmurataj**, Senior Legal Officer, Ministry of Justice
- **Mr. Nevahi Rexhepi**, Acting Manager for Project Management, Kosovo Tax Administration
- **Mr. Vedat Macastena**, IT Office, Kosovo Business Registration Agency, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Mr. Berat Thaqi**, Policy Analyst, GAP Institute
- **Mr. Ali-Fuad Turgut**, Policy Analyst, OECD South East Europe Division

13:00 - 15:00 Assessment reconciliation: **Dimension 8b: Innovation**

Room 4

- **Ms. Yllza Mehmeti**, Acting Head of Innovation, Knowledge and Technology Transfer, Ministry of Education Science and Technology
- **Mr. Murteza Osdautaj**, Director of the Department of

Science and Technology, Ministry of Education Science and Technology

- **Ms. Ardiana Shabaj**, Head of Technology Division, Ministry of Education Science and Technology
- **Mr. Fidan Kozhani**, Science Senior Officer, Ministry of Education Science and Technology
- **Ms. Igballe Rexha**, Head of Division for Economic Relation and Integration, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Mr. Enver Basha**, Head of Project Management Sector, Ministry of Economic Development
- **Mr. Besim Mustafa**, Head of Department for Training and capacity building, Kosovo Chamber of Commerce
- **Mr. Uranik Begu**, Executive Director, ICK
- **Mr. Ilir Berisha**, Department Director, Kosovo Statistic Agency
- **Mr. Fidan Hoti**, Ministry of Innovation and Entrepreneurship representative
- **Mr Umur Gökçe**, Project Manager, OECD South East Europe Division

13:00 - 15:00 **Assessment reconciliation: Dimension 9: SMEs in a green economy** **Room 3**

- **Mr. Enver Tahiri**, Head of Division for General Service, Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning
- **Mr Skender Xani**, Head of Division for Energy System, Ministry of Economic Development
- **Ms. Makfirete Dibrani**, Head of Unite, Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning
- **Mr. Xhevat Hasolli**, Manager of Reporting Unite, Ministry of Finance
- **Ms. Hazbije Krasniqi**, Head of ZBN, Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning
- **Ms Jovana Pavlovic**, Policy Analyst, OECD South East Europe Division

13:00 - 15:00 **Assessment reconciliation: Dimension 10: Internationalisation of SMEs** **Room 5**

- **Mr. Nol Buzhala**, Directory Director for Private Sector Development, KIESA, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Mr. Remzi Ahmeti**, Head of Export Promotion Sector, KIESA, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Mr. Bleron Menzelxhiu**, Senior Officer for Policy Research, Monitoring and Analyses, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Ms. Arjeta Islami**, Senior Officer in charge for Industrial Goods, Department of Trade, Ministry of Trade and Industry
- **Mr. Ismail Sahiti**, Chief of Division for Economic Statistics, Kosovo Statistic Agency
- **Mr. Arbnor Hoxha**, Budget Senior Analyst, Ministry of Economic Development
- **Ms. Rajmonda Kukalaj**, Director of Governance Directory, Ministry of European Integration
- **Mr. Kastriot Vrella**, Senior Officer for Internal Trade Policy,

Ministry of Trade and Industry

- **Ms. Behije Tahiri- Mehulli**, Senior Officer for Energy Statistics, Ministry of Economic Development
- **Ms. Lule Bahtiri**, Project Officer, KDWW
- **Mr Martin Kohtze**, Policy Analyst, OECD South East Europe Division

