

3rd ASEM Transport Ministers Meeting “Development of Euro-Asia Multimodal Transport Connectivity – *Status Quo* and Blueprints for the Future”

29 – 30 April, 2015

Venue: National Library of Latvia, Mūkusalas iela 3, Riga, Latvia

MEDIA PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 29 April

11:00 Media Centre opens

11:40 **POOL 1 leaves for Doorsteps**

~11:50 Doorstep by the Minister for Transport of the Republic of Latvia Mr Anrijs Matīss

13.30 – 14.30 **Opening Session – open for media participation**

Venue: Ziedoņa Hall, 1st floor

Opening Remarks by H.E. President of Latvia Mr Andris Bērziņš

Address by Mr Weng Mengyong, Vice-Minister of Transport of the People's Republic of China, Chair of ASEM TMM2

Official Opening by Mr Anrijs Matīss, Minister for Transport of the Republic of Latvia, President of the EU Transport Council

Ms Violeta Bulc, EU Commissioner for Mobility and Transport

Presentation on EU policies towards development of cooperation with neighboring regions and development of Euro-Asian transport connections

Mr Christian Friis Bach, Executive Secretary, UN Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)

Presentation on the development of key Euro-Asian land transport corridors in the framework of the UNECE Euro-Asian Transport Links (EATL) project

H.E. Le Luong Minh, Secretary-General of ASEAN

Presentation on the Asian perspective on the development of Euro-Asian transport linkages and multimodal corridors. tbc

14:45 **POOL 2 leaves for Tour-de-table** – photo and video only

17:50 **POOL 3 leaves for Family photo** (Heads of Delegation) – photo and video only

19:00 Media Centre closes

Thursday, 30 April

8:30 Media Centre opens

9:00 – 11:00 **Panel session I: Case studies on Euro-Asia supply chain management – open for media participation**

Venue: Ziedonis Hall, 1st floor

Mr Uģis Magonis, President and CEO of Latvian Railways

Opening remarks General overview on transport and logistics development over the Euro – Asian continent

Among confirmed speakers:

Mr Volker Schmitz, Head of Supply Chain Operations EMEA, Hewlett Packard

Dr. Karl-Friedrich Rausch, Member of the Management Board for Transportation and Logistics, Deutsche Bahn

Mr Lin Ji, President, COSCO Europe Company

Mr Erich Staake, President & CEO, Port of Duisburg

Mr Henk van Dieren, CEO, Samskip Van Dieren Multimodal

Mr Vladimir Yakunin, President, Russian Railways

Mr Tsutomu Hakeda, Executive Director, Global Logistics, Portek International Pte, Ltd

Prof. Paolo Costa, President, Venice Port Authority

Mr Tony Michaelsen, Director and manager for Baltic Sea operations, Stena Line

Mr Richard Moore, Vice President, UPS

Representative of BMW, IKEA, Kazakhstan Railways

11:30 – 13:50 **Panel session II: Prospects and challenges in view of the development of new EU-Asia connectivity – open for media participation**

Venue: Ziedonis Hall, 1st floor

Among confirmed speakers/discussants

Mr François Davenne, Secretary General Intergovernmental Organization for International Carriage by Rail (OTIF)

Dr. Libor Lochman, Executive Director, Community of European Railway and Infrastructure Companies (CER)

Mr Umberto de Pretto, Secretary General, International Road Transport Union (IRU);

Mr Roman Escolano, Vice-President, European Investment Bank (EIB)

Mr Gaozhang Zhu, Director of Compliance and Facilitation, World Customs Organization (WCO)

Mr Dong Jianmin, Deputy Chairman, Organization for Co-Operation between Railways (OSJD)

Mr Philippe Citroën, Director General, The Association of the European Rail Industry (UNIFE)

Mr Park Jin Young, Director, the Korea Transport Institute (KOTI)

13:40 **POOL 1 leaves for Family photo** (all participants) – photo and video only

13:50 **POOL 2 leaves for Press conference**

14:00 – 14:30 **Press conference**

Venue: Hall Baltija, 1st floor

16:00 Media Centre closes

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