



CEFTA **Week 2015**

Central European Free Trade Agreement

CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA 2015

PROGRAMME FOR CEFTA WEEK 2015

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

23 – 26 November 2015

DAY 1: 23 NOVEMBER 2015 (MONDAY)

DAY	EVENT DESCRIPTION	SPEAKERS/Event Format
Venue:	Chisinau, Piata Marii Adunari Nationale 1, Ministry of Economy, off. 252, II floor	
09.00-17.00	CEFTA Negotiations on Services	CEFTA Parties

DAY 2: 24 NOVEMBER 2015 (TUESDAY)

DAY	EVENT DESCRIPTION	SPEAKERS/Event Format
Venue:	Hotel Radisson Blu Leograd str. Mitropolit Varlaam, 77 Chisinau	
09.00-09.30	Registration of Participants	
09.30-10.00	Official Opening of CEFTA Week	Chair in Office, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Stephan Christophe BRIDE, Deputy-prime minister, Minister of Economy of the Republic of Moldova • Mr. Pirkka TAPIOLA, Head of the Delegation of the European Union in the Republic of Moldova (TBC) • _____, Representative of US Embassy/USAID Mission in Moldova (TBC)
10.00-10.15	Ceremony of CEFTA Chair in Office “Recognition Award”	Chair in Office
10.15-10.30	COFFEE BREAK	
10.30-12.30	<p><u>SESSION I: TRADE POLICY IN THE CONTEXT OF REGIONAL INTEGRATION AND ECONOMIC GROWTH – FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF CEFTA PARTIES</u> (Moderator: Ms. Renata VITEZ, former CEFTA Secretariat’s Director)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National trade policies and their interaction with other economic policies to promote economic growth - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Institutional arrangements ○ Policy coordination ○ Challenges and opportunities • Interaction between national trade policies to CEFTA as the framework of regional trade- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Promoting regional trade as a tool for economic growth 	<p><u>Presentations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Octavian CALMAC, Deputy Minister of Economy of Moldova • Mr Goran SCEPANOVIC, Director General at the Ministry of Economy of Montenegro • Ms Jadranka ZENIC ZELJKOVIC, Head of WTO Department, Ministry of Trade, Tourism and Telecommunications of Serbia <p><u>Panel Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Bernard BRUNET, Head of Unit DG NEAR, European Commission • Dr. Stefan MARI, BDI Executive Board • Mr. Sanjin ARIFAGIC, Head of Unit, Economic and Social Development, RCC



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Proposal of a sample of policy mixes which trade policy to interact with 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ms. Silvana MOJSOVSKA, Professor and head of International Department, University of St. Cyril and Methodius
09.00-12.30	<p>PARALLEL SESSION: CEFTA Negotiations on Services Venue: Chisinau, Piata Marii Adunari Nationale 1, Ministry of Economy, off. 252, II floor</p>	CEFTA Parties
12.30-13.30	LUNCH	
13.30-17.00	<p><u>SESSION II: TRADE AND INVESTMENT</u></p> <p>(Moderator: Mr. Octavian CALMAC, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Economy of Moldova)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Areas of contributions of trade to promote investment from the regional perspective 	<p><u>Presentations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ms. Pranvera KASTRATI, Chief Sector, SME and Private Sector Environment, Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship of Albania ● Ms Biljana DODESKA, State Councillor, Ministry of Economy of Macedonia ● Ms. Jadranka ZENIC ZELJKOVIC, Head of WTO Department, Department for Multilateral and Regional Economic and Trade Cooperation, Ministry of Trade, Tourism and Telecommunications of Serbia
18.00-20.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Liberalisation of trade in services ○ Trade Facilitation ○ Facilitating Access to Markets ○ Integration to Pan-Euro-Med Cumulation Zone 	<p><u>Panel Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ms Gordana TOSEVA, Senior Advisor ,USAID’s Investment Development and Export Advancement Support Project Booz Allen Hamilton ● Ms Violane KONAR-LEACY Project Manager, Regional Trade Logistics Project ,IFC Europe and Central Asia Department ● Mr Ramesh CHAITOO, Trade Consultant of CEFTA Secretariat (TBC) ● Mr. Ralf PETERS, Chief, Trade Information Section, Trade Analysis Branch, Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities/UNCTAD ● Mr. Rajesh AGGARWAL, Chief Trade Facilitation and Policy for Business, ITC ● Mr. Benedicte BRONCHART, Directorate General for Trade, EC (TBC) ● Ms. Dragana DJURICA, Expert on Integrated Growth, Regional Cooperation Council ● Ministries of Trade from CEFTA Parties
	CEFTA Week 2015 Reception (tbc)	

DAY 3: 25 NOVEMBER, 2015 (WEDNESDAY)

DAY	EVENT DESCRIPTION	SPEAKERS/Event Format
Venue:	Hotel Radisson Blu Leograd str. Mitropolit Varlaam, 77 Chisinau	
09.30-10.00	Registration of Participants	
10.00-12.30	<p><u>SESSION III: TRADE AND TRANSPORT</u> (Moderator: Mr. Goran SCEPANOVIC, Director General , Ministry of Economy of Montenegro)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthening regional economic corridors for the economic growth through facilitating trade and transport to promote investment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Connectivity agenda of SEE 2020 ○ Private-Public Sector dialogue ○ Regional coordination around strategic targets 	<p><u>Presentations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Goran SCEPANOVIC, Director General at the Ministry of Economy of Montenegro • Ms. Snežana HADŽIĆ, Ministry of Transport and Communication of Bosnia and Herzegovina • Macedonia <p><u>Panel Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Violane KONAR-LEACY, Project Manager, Regional Trade Logistics Project, IFC Europe and Central Asia Department • Mr. Toshiaki SAKATSUME, Senior Economist, EBRD • Dr. Stefan MAIR, BDI Executive Board • Ms. Dragana DJURICA, Expert for South East Europe Investment Committee, RCC • Mr. Dejan LASICA, General Manager, SEETO
12.30-14.00	Lunch break	
14.00-17.00	<p><u>SESSION IV – CEFTA FORUM OF CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forum of Chambers of Commerce: Report on the implementation of the conclusions of the Forum working groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ WG on Agriculture and SPS ○ WG on TBT and NTBs ○ WG on Customs and Rules of Origin ○ WG on Trade in Services 	<p><u>Presentations</u></p> <p>CEFTA Chambers of Commerce</p> <p><u>Panel Discussion</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Gordana TOSEVA, Senior Advisor, USAID Regional Economic Growth Project • Dr. Stefan MAIR, BDI Executive Board • Mr. Rajesh AGGARWAL, Chief Trade Facilitation and Policy for Business, ITC • CEFTA Parties-private sector and government
14.00-17.00	<p>Parallel Session: CEFTA Trade Facilitation Committee Meeting</p> <p>Venue: Chisinau, Piata Marii Adunari Nationale 1, Ministry of Economy, off. 246, II floor</p>	CEFTA Parties



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DAY 4: 26 NOVEMBER 2015 (THURSDAY)

DAY	EVENT DESCRIPTION	SPEAKERS/Event Format
Venue:	Chisinau, Piata Marii Adunari Nationale 1, Ministry of Economy, off. 252, II floor	
9.30–12.30	CEFTA Experts Meeting	CEFTA Parties
12.30-14.00	Lunch break	
14.00- 17.00	CEFTA Joint Committee Venue: Chisinau, Piata Marii Adunari Nationale 1, Ministry of Economy, 6 floor	CEFTA Parties



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