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Morning Programme

09:00 - 10:00 **Registration, coffee**

10:00 - 10:40 **Official Opening Speeches**

Mr Johannes Hahn, Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations
Mr Shahin Mustafayev, Minister of Economy

Moderator:

Mr Kestutis Jankauskas, Ambassador/Head of Delegation of the EU to Azerbaijan

10:40 - 11:50 **Launch of EU Business Climate Report Azerbaijan 2019**

Presentation:

Ms Nigar Bayramli, Head of Market Analysis and Communication, AHK Azerbaijan

Interventions:

Mr Jeyhun Bayramov, Minister of Education, tbc

Mr Mikayil Jabbarov, Minister of Taxes

Mr Fikrat Mammadov, Minister of Justice, tbc

Mr Safar Mehdiyev, Chairman of State Customs Committee

Moderator:

Mr Tobias Baumann, Executive Director, AHK Azerbaijan

11:50 - 12:15 **Coffee Break**

Please note this programme is subject to change.

Working languages are English and Azerbaijani, with simultaneous interpretation. For Business-to-Business matchmaking, please consult the registration table.

Afternoon Programme ^{1/2}

12:15 - 13:30



Plenary Panel Discussion on the [Business Climate](#)

Opening remarks:

Mr Rufat Mammadov, Deputy Minister of Economy, tbc
Mr Vusal Gasimli, Executive Director, Centre for Analysis of Economic Reforms and Communication

Discussion:

Mr Maciej Czura, Head of Regional Representation for the South Caucasus, European Investment Bank (EIB)
Mr Bill Thompson, Head of Eurasia Region, OECD
Mr Arnoud Govaert, Executive Chairman, AA Services, tbc
Mr Farid Isayev, Head of Tax and Legal Department, KPMG Azerbaijan Limited

Moderator:

Ms Simona Gatti, Head of Cooperation, Delegation of the EU to Azerbaijan

13:30 - 14:45

Lunch Break

14:45 - 16:15



Panel Discussion on [Agriculture](#)

Opening remarks:

Mr Inam Karimov, Minister of Agriculture, tbc

Discussion:

Mr Yusif Abdullayev, President, AZPROMO
Ms Ghulyar De Vries, Executive Director, Ronar BV, tbc
Ms Leyla Mammadova, Director, State Agro Trade Company
Mr Majnun Mammadov, Director, Agro Food Investments LLC, tbc
Mr Goshgar Tahmazli, Head of the Food Safety Agency, tbc

Moderator:

Mr Serge Krebs, Head of the Economic Department for Azerbaijan and Turkmenistan, Embassy of France

Afternoon Programme 2/2

14:45 - 16:15



Panel Discussion on [Connectivity](#) (Transport, Logistics and ICT)

Opening remarks:

Mr Ramin Guluzade, Minister of Transport, Communication and High Technologies, tbc

Discussion:

Mr Fuad Allahverdiyev, CEO, AzerTelecom, tbc

Ms Catherine Barberis, Deputy Head of Division Public Sector Lending in EU Neighbouring Countries, EIB

Mr John Braeckveldt, Director, Gosselin

Ms Fina Garber, General Manager, Blue Water Shipping, tbc

Mr Farhan Guliyev, Director, Azerbaijan Air Navigation Services Department of 'Azerbaijan Hava Yollari'

Mr Natig Heydarov, Alliance Logistics

Mr Elshan Zeynalov, Country Managing Director, Azerbaijan & Georgia, Alstom Transport Azerbaijan LLC

Dr. Taleh Ziyadov, Director-General, Baku International Sea Trade Port

Moderator:

Mr Denis Naets, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Belgium

14:45 - 16:15



Panel Discussion on [Tourism](#)

Opening remarks:

Mr Fuad Nagiyev, Chairman, State Tourism Agency, tbc

Discussion:

Mr Florian Sengstschmid, Azerbaijan Tourism Board

Mr Ruslan Guliyev, Chairman, Azerbaijan Health and Thermal Tourism Support Association, tbc

Mr Paolo Merlin, CEO, Alpenmade Contract S.r.l., tbc

Mr Martin Kleinmann, CEO, ABSHERON Hotel Group (Shahdag Mountain Resort), tbc

Moderator:

Ms Manuela Traldi, President, ITAZERCOM/Italy-Azerbaijan Chamber of Commerce

16:15 - 18:00

Networking Cocktail