

FIAS Consultative Committee of Donors Meeting

Wednesday, October 22, 2008 (2:15 p.m.) – Thursday, October 23, 2008 (noon)
World Bank Office/Galaxy Tower, Praterstrasse 31, 19th floor, Vienna, Austria

Program (as of October 9):

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[12:30 pm *Lunch for participants of the FIAS Workshop on “Benchmarking FDI Competitiveness” (October 22, 9am – noon) and FIAS donors; Restaurant Novis, Galaxy Tower/ground floor)]*

2:15 pm Welcome and Opening Remarks
Thomas Wieser, General Director, Federal Ministry of Finance of Austria
Pierre Guislain, General Manager, FIAS

2:30 pm Update on the World Bank Group’s Work on Private Sector Development and Investment Climate Reform, and Impact of the Financial Crisis

- Michael Klein, Vice President, Financial and Private Sector Development, World Bank Group, Chief Economist, IFC, and Member of the FIAS Supervisory Committee (by video conference)
- Pierre Guislain

3:45 pm FY08 Operational and Financial Highlights
Presenters: Marialisa Motta, Manager, Doing Business Reform Advisory, and Cecilia Sager, Manager, Investment Generation, FIAS

- Operational results and key achievements
- M&E – where do we stand
- Resources – budget, staffing and organizational update

4:15 pm Coffee Break

4:45 pm Institutionalizing Capacity for Investment Promotion: FIAS’ “Invest in the Western Balkans” (IWB) Program
Moderator: Cecilia Sager
Speakers: Dermot Coffey, IWB Program Manager
Viktor Mizo, Head of Invest in Macedonia

- 5:15 pm** **Wrap-up – Pierre Guislain**
- 7:30 pm** **Dinner hosted by Austrian Ministry of Finance**
Restaurant Hansen (Address: Wipplingerstrasse 34, A-1010 Vienna)

Thursday, October 23, 2008

- 9:30 am** **Doing Business Reform Advisory – A New FIAS Program**
Presenter: Marialisa Motta
- 10:00 am** **FY09 Work Program and Funding**
Presenters: Pierre Guislain, Marialisa Motta and Cecilia Sager
- Strategic priorities
 - Key initiatives: OHADA; Investing Across Borders Indicators Project; Support to Financial Markets Infrastructure
 - Status of fundraising and importance of core funds
- 10:45 am** **Coffee Break**
- 11:15 am** **Evolving Partnerships and Donor Feedback**
Presenters: Pierre Guislain and Cecilia Sager
- Integration in World Bank Group
 - FIAS partnership models
 - Advisory committees
 - People as key resource – staff exchanges and secondments
- 12:15 pm** **Wrap up – Pierre Guislain**
- 12:30pm** **Light Farewell Lunch**

[afternoon open for bilateral meetings]