



Customs 2013 Programme

High level Forum on Customs Co-operation at the Eastern Border of the EU

VIENNA, 09 - 10 October 2008

AGENDA

Wednesday, 08 October 2008

17:00 – 19:00 *Registration in the Lobby area of the hotel*

19:30 *Welcome drink*
(dress code: casual)

Thursday, 09 October 2008

09:00 – 09:15 **Welcome and opening of the seminar**

*Austrian Minister of Finance or the State Secretary of the Ministry
(tbc)
and/or
Mr. Wolfgang Nolz
General Secretary of the Ministry and GD Taxes and Customs*

09:15 – 09:30 **Introduction**

*Mr Robert Verrue
Director General
DG TAXUD
European Commission*

09:30 – 09:45 **Presentation of the Council Presidency priorities in customs matters**

Representatives of France, Czech Republic and Sweden

09:45 – 11.15 **Presentation and discussion**

a) Overview of progress in action plans

DG TAXUD

Ms. Suzanne Heindryckx

European Commission

b) Presentation of the benchmarking exercise on border crossing points

Representatives of Belarus and Poland

11.15 – 11:30 **Presentation and discussion**

Results of the South Eastern Europe Conference (Brdo/ Slovenia, March 2008)

Mr. R. Skubic

Director General

Slovenia

11:30 – 12:00 *Coffee break and Family Photo*

12.00 – 12:30 **Presentation and discussion**

Presentation of the revised customs blueprints

Ms. C. Klahr

DG TAXUD

European Commission

12:30 – 14:00 *Lunch break*

14:00 – 14:30 **Presentation and discussion**

Methodology of implementation of Customs blueprints

Mr. Michael Praschak

Austrian Ministry of Finance

14.30 – 15.00

Presentation

Experience from implementation of Customs blueprints in the Candidate Country.

Slovenia/Czech Republic Messrs B. Gregoric, Mr. J. Skalický

15:00- 15:40

Presentation and discussion

Results of the Gdansk meeting of the Working Groups

Ms. Christiane Klahr

DG TAXUD

European Commission

15:40 – 16:00

Coffee break

16:00 – 16:30

Presentation and discussions

e-TIR state of play

Mr. M. Zielinski

DG TAXUD

European Commission

16:30 – 17:00

Presentation and discussion

NCTS-TIR state of play

Mr. Marcus Zuccato

Austrian Ministry of Finance

18:30

Social event

Dinner offered by the Austrian Administration

(dress code: formal)

Friday, 10 October 2008

09:00 – 09:20

Summary of Day 1
Presentation of draft final documents
GD TAXUD and Austrian Ministry of Finance

09:20 – 10:15

Presentation

Austrian national eCustoms system
Mr. Manfred Winterleitner
Mr. Gerald Baldasty
Austrian Ministry of Finance

10:15 – 11:00

Presentation and discussion

New developments in the EU Customs Policy

- *New Community measures in favour of security and safety of the supply chain*
- *Modernized Customs Code and e-Customs project*

Mr. J-M. Grave
DG TAXUD
European Commission

11:00 - 11:45

Coffee break and Press Conference

11:45 – 12:15

Presentation and discussion

Agreement on the Final Document, Final Declaration, Updated Action Plans
European Commission

12:15 – 12:45

Conference conclusion

Mr. Miroslav Zielinski or alternatively
Mr. Jean-Michel Grave
DG TAXUD
European Commission
and
Mr. Wolfgang Nolz
General Secretary of the Austrian Ministry of Finance

<i>12:45 - 14:15</i>	<i>Lunch Break</i>
<i>Afternoon</i>	<i>Sightseeing, optional (dress code: informal, comfortable)</i>
<i>14:45</i>	<i>Meeting point in the Lobby</i>
<i>15:00</i>	<i>Departure by bus</i>
	<i>Sightseeing tour in the surroundings of Vienna</i>
<i>17:00</i>	<i>A comfortable evening at a typically Viennese "Heurigen"</i>
