

# EUROPEAN UNION – MONTENEGRO 3<sup>rd</sup> STABILISATION AND ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE



# Podgorica, 5 – 6 December 2013

# Venue: TBC

# <u>Agenda</u>

## 5 December 2013

- 1. WELCOME AND OPENING (15.30-15.45)
- 2. Adoption of the agenda
- 3. POLITICAL CRITERIA (15.45 17.15)
  - Follow-up to the Commission's Progress Report of October 2013

The EC provides an introduction, MNE provides comments

17.15-17.30 Coffee break

## 4. ECONOMIC CRITERIA (17.30-18.15)

- Economic and Financial Development
- Statistics

The EC provides an introduction, MNE provides comments

## 5. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STABILISATION AND ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT

## 5.1 HORIZONTAL ISSUES (18.15-19.15)

- New special group on public administration reform
- SAA enlargement adaptation, Croatia's EU accession
- Modification of the SAA Protocol 3 on rule of origin (Regional Convention on pan-Euro-Mediterranean preferential rules of origin)
- Elaboration of bilateral conventions under Article 5 of the SAA ("Cooperation with other countries having signed a Stabilisation and Association Agreement")

## MNE provides an introduction, the EC provides comments

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## 5.2 Justice, Freedom and Security (08.30-09.00)

• State of play Chapters 23-24

The EC provides an introduction, MNE provides comments

### 5.3 TRADE, INDUSTRY, CUSTOMS AND TAXATION (09.00-09.45)

- Follow up and main operational conclusions of the 8 March Subcommittee meeting with a focus on:
  - Free movement of goods
  - Industrial policy: state of play of the industrial sectors analysis
  - o Taxation issues excise duties: alignment, administrative capacity and IT
  - o Customs: alignment, administrative capacity and IT

### MNE provides an introduction, the EC provides comments

### 5.4 AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES (INCLUDING FOOD SAFETY) (09.45-10.15)

- Follow-up and main operational conclusions of 6 November Subcommittee meeting.
- Preparations for the implementation of the agriculture, food safety and fisheries *acquis*
- Preparations for IPARD

## MNE provides an introduction, the EC provides comments

## 5.5 INTERNAL MARKET AND COMPETITION (10.15-10.45)

- Follow up of the main operational conclusions of the 5 March Subcommittee meeting, with focus on:
  - Right of establishment and freedom to provide services: action plan on professional qualifications
  - Public procurement
  - Consumer and health protection: legal alignment and administrative capacity
  - Competition: state aid measures to KAP.

#### *The EC provides an introduction, MNE provides comments*

## 10.45 – 11.00 Coffee break

## 5.6 INNOVATION, INFORMATION SOCIETY AND SOCIAL POLICY (11.00-11.30)

- Follow-up and main operational conclusions of the 10-11 September Sub-committee meeting, with a focus on:
  - Information society and media (legal alignment and implementation; administrative capacity, including independence and competences of the regulatory authorities)
  - Social policy and employment (legal alignment and implementation; social dialogue; employment policy; social inclusion)

#### MNE provides an introduction, the EC provides comments

### 5.7 TRANSPORT, ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT (11.30-12.00)

- Follow-up and main operational conclusions of the 18-19 June Subcommittee meeting, with a focus on:
  - Environment and Climate Change
  - 0 Transport
  - o Energy
  - Regional Policy

#### The EC provides an introduction, MNE provides comments

#### 6. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (12.00-12.30)

Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance: State of play and process of decentralisation of the management of EU assistance

#### The EC provides an introduction, MNE provides comments

#### 7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS (12.30-12.45)

#### 8. CLOSING REMARKS (12.45-13.00)