**Balkans Business and Investment Forum**

(October 31, 2024 – November 1, Edirne/Türkiye)

(Draft Program)

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| **DAY 1** |
| **Hour** | **Events** |
| **11.30-13:00** | **Registration****Business Cocktail / Networking** |
| **13:00-14:30** | **Opening Session****Welcome Addresses[[1]](#footnote-1):** **HOSTS**Yunus SEZER (Governor of Edirne)Nail OLPAK (President of Foreign Economic Relations Board)**ALBANIA**Blendi GONXHJA (Minister of Economy, Culture and Innovation) (TBC)**BOSNIA - HERZEGOVINA**Staşa KOŞARAC (Minister of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations) (TBC)**BULGARIA**Petko NİKOLOV (Minister of Economy and Industry) (TBC)Rosen KARADİMOV (Minister of Innovation and Growth) (TBC)**CROTIA**Ante ŠUŠNJAR (Minister of Economy) (TBC)**GREECE**Takis THEODORİKAKOS (Minister of Development) (TBC)**KOSOVO**Rozeta HAJDARI (Minister of Industry, Entrepreneurship and Trade) (TBC)Fikrim DAMKA (Minister of Regional Development) (TBC)**MONTENEGRO**Nik GJELOSHAJ (Minister of Economic Development) (TBC)**NORTH MACEDONIA**Besar DURMISHI (Minister of Economy and Labour) (TBC)Timcho MUCUNSKI (Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade) (TBC)**ROMANIA**Stefan-Radu OPREA (Minister of Economy, Entrepreneurship and Tourism) (TBC)Adrian CÂCİU (Minister of Investments and EU Projects) (TBC)**SERBIA**Tomislav MOMIROVIC (Minister of Domestic Trade and Foreign Trade )(TBC)Jelena BEGOVIC (Minister of Science, Technological Development and Innovation) (TBC)**SLOVENIA**Matiaz HAN(Minister of Economy, Tourism and Sports) (TBC)**CLOSURE ADDRESSES**Prof. Dr. Ömer BOLAT (Minister of Trade)Mehmet Fatih KACIR (Min. of Industry and Technology)***Participants: All Invitees*** |
| **Coffee Break** |
| **15:00-16.30** | **Investment Opportunities****(Room ……)**  | **Balkan Talks** **(Room …)** | **Start-up Ecosystems and Investment Opportunities in the Balkans****(Room….)** |
| *Presentations of the countries on investment opportunities by alphabetical order****Participants****: Government Officials, Experts, Business Leaders and Investors* | **“New horizons for the regional challenges”***Discussions on strengthening current trade & investment relations,* *exploring new collaboration fields.****Participants****: Ministers + Co-chairs of Business Councils under DEİK* | *Enis Hulli**(500 Emerging Europe Investment Fund) (Moderator)**Mete Bayrak**(Cognitiwe Aİ)**Mustafa Fikret Uğur**(magfi.co)* ***Participants:*** *Innovators + VC Investors* |
| **16:30-17:30** | **Bilateral meetings of the Ministers.** | **B2B meetings for companies** |
| **18:00-19:00** | **OFFICIAL DINNER****(Hosted by Governor of Edirne)*****Participants:*** *Ministers (1+3) + Co-chairs of Business Councils Representatives (1+3)*  |
| **DAY 2** |
| **Morning** | **Technical Site Visit***Edirne OIZs, Technopark etc. (Programme and content will be developed by governorate)* |
| **Afternoon** | **Cultural Site Visit***A route will be drafted by the governorate* |

1. In alphabetical order [↑](#footnote-ref-1)