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CONTEXT

The Economic and Environmental Forum is the main event of the OSCE Economic and Environmental Dimension, previously the second CSCE basket. It is responsible for promotion and dialogue on economic and environmental matters related to security.

The Forum operates in the form of two preparatory meetings and a summarizing meeting, which takes place in Prague in September. The main theme in a given year is proposed by the Chairman-in-Office and confirmed by the 57 member states of the Organisation. The Forum supports the main decision-making bodies of the OSCE (The Summit, the Ministerial Council and the Permanent Council).

Each year, the Forum is attended by approximately 600 delegates representing governments, civil society, business communities and other entities involved in dialogue on current challenges and solutions to problems related to the economy and the environment.

The 2022 Forum Agenda focused on promoting security and stability in the OSCE territory through sustainable economic recovery after the COVID-19 pandemic. Special emphasis was placed on environmentally friendly economic recovery and ensuring growth in all countries of the Organisation through promoting investment, good management, and the fight against corruption. On a financial level, the Forum concentrated on transport and trade. The next area of interest pertained to empowering the human capital, stimulating employment, competitiveness, and social activation. What was also addressed was the promotion of digital and technological innovations, especially in the field of green technologies and energy efficiency with regard to sustainable use of resources.

These goals were approved of before the outbreak of war in Ukraine and its economic and environmental consequences throughout the entire OSCE territory.

GOAL

Setting of the Forum's agenda in the context of the war in Ukraine, taking the following into account: the economy, the energy industry, the environment (e.g. the risk of radioactive contamination).