

European Economic and Social Committee Employers' Group



Extraordinary meeting of the Employers' Group Bureau

"How to support businesses in the digital age – SMEs go digital"

Austrian Federal Economic Chamber (WKÖ)

Wiedner Hauptstr. 63 - 1040 Vienna WKÖ-Sky lounge

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DRAFT PROGRAMME

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2.00 p.m.	Registration and coffee
	Opening statement by Ms Ulrike RABMER – KOLLER, Vice-President of the Austrian
	Federal Economic Chamber and President of the European Association of Craft, Small and
2.30 p.m. 2.45 p.m.	Medium-sized Enterprises (UEAPME)
	Opening statement by Mr Jacek KRAWCZYK, President of the Employers' Group, Europea
	Economic and Social Committee
	Part I - Moderator: Ms Violeta JELIĆ, President of the Single Market Observatory,
	European Economic and Social Committee
	SMEs in Austria – Economic overview
	Presentation by Mr Devin BICER, Advisor for Economic Policy, Austrian Federal
	Economic Chamber (WKÖ)
	"SMEs go Digital"
3.00 p.m.	 Presentation by Mr Christian RUPP, Special Representative for Digitisation,
	Austrian Federal Economic Chamber (WKÖ)
	eIDAS for SMEs
3.30 p.m.	 Presentation by Ms Alma-Joy RIDDERHOF, Programme Manager at the European
	Commission - DG CNECT
3.45 p.m.	Coffee break
	Part II - Moderator: Ms Christa SCHWENG, President of the Section for Employment, Soc
	Affaires and Citizenship, European Economic and Social Committee
4.00 p.m.	How Serbia prepares the digital era
	 Mr Predrag NIKOLIĆ, Advisor to the President of the Serbian Chamber of Industry
	and Commerce
4.45 p.m.	The Dual System in the digital era – Challenges and possible solutions
	Ms Melina SCHNEIDER, Head of Taskforce on Internationalisation of VET
	(Vocational education and training), Austrian Federal Economic Chamber (WKÖ)
	Mr Alfred FREUNDLINGER, Deputy Head of the Department for Education Policy,
	Austrian Federal Economic Chamber (WKÖ)
5.30 p.m.	End of the seminar
5.50 p	