

## 4<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE WBIF STRATEGIC BOARD

### AGENDA (draft)

*29 June 2023; Oslo - Hybrid meeting*

- 09:00 - 09:30 Registration**  
*Please see instructions*
- 09:30 - 10:00 Introductory remarks by the WBIF Co-chairs**
  - Katarína Matheriová, Deputy Director-General DG NEAR, European Commission
  - Frode Overland Andersen, Director General, Department for European Affairs and International Trade, Norway, in representation of the WBIF Bilateral Donors
- 10:00 - 10:05 Adoption of the Agenda**  
**Adoption of the minutes from the previous Strategic Board meeting (December 2022)**
- 10:05 - 11:00 Opening interventions of WBIF stakeholders (3-5 min each)**
  - EU Presidency
  - European Parliament
  - Western Balkan partners
  - Bilateral Donors statement
  - IFIs statement and EIB*Discussion*
- 11:00 - 11:30 Coffee break**
- 11:30 - 12:00 Update on political developments in the Western Balkans**  
Michela Matuella, acting Director, European Commission DG NEAR (tbc)  
*Q&A, discussion*
- 12:00 - 12:30 Western Balkans Economic Outlook**  
Peter Tabak, EBRD Regional Lead Economist  
*Q&A, discussion*
- 12:30 - 13:00 Economic and Investment Plan for Western Balkans implementation: state of play**  
Holger Schröder, Head of Unit, European Commission, DG NEAR  
*For information*
- 13:00 - 13:10 Group Photo**
- 13:10 - 14:30 Lunch**



## **AFTERNOON SESSION**

- 14:30 - 15:15 Policy implementation, reforms, investments in the transport sector**  
DGNEAR; Transport Community Secretariat  
*Discussion and Q&A*
- 15:15 - 16:45 Advancing on Just Transition in the Western Balkans**  
DG NEAR, UNDP, EBRD, Energy Community Secretariat (tbc)  
*Discussion*
- 16:45 - 17:00 WBIF General Conditions**  
*For information*
- 17:00 - 17:30 AoB & concluding remarks**
- Confirmation of co-chair for the Bilateral Donors
  - Launch of WBIF social media

**End of meeting**