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Teilnahme des Rhein-Kreises Neuss am European Economic Congress 2009 in Kattowitz

Sachverhalt:

Der Rhein-Kreis Neuss als bedeutender Energiestandort war beim UN-Klimagipfel in Posen vertreten. Dort sind von Herrn Nordmann vom Amt für Entwicklungs- und Landschaftsplanung in Vertretung des Landrates auch vorbereitende Gespräche für die in der Nachfolge stattfindende Konferenz in Kattowitz, in die die Themen und Inhalte der deutsch-polnischen Energiekonferenz eingebettet werden, u. a. mit Bundesumweltminister Sigmar Gabriel, geführt worden.

Mit Schreiben vom 09.01.2009 hat jetzt der Veranstalter des European Economic Congress 2009 (EEC 2009), die große polnische Mediengruppe PTWP, Landrat Dieter Patt eingeladen, für den Rhein-Kreis Neuss und seine Partner den lokalen Energiepakt vorzustellen (s. Anlage). Auch der Kreis Mikolow wird mit Landrat Henryk Jaroszek beim EEC 2009 vertreten sein.

Der EEC 2009:

Der European Economic Congress 2009 (EEC) ist einer der größten Wirtschaftskongresse im Jahr 2009 in Osteuropa. Es werden mehr als 2.000 Teilnehmer in Kattowitz erwartet.

Auslöser für den Kongress ist die Tatsache, dass Europa sich in großen, politischen und wirtschaftlichen Herausforderungen gegenüber sieht. Die politischen Entscheidungen der

Europäischen Union haben große Auswirkungen auf die Wirtschaftlichkeit aber auch auf eine nachhaltige Entwicklung.

Eine beständige und verantwortungsvolle Wirtschaftspolitik muss heute einerseits auch die Belange der Umwelt und den Erhalt des natürlichen Erbes für zukünftige Generationen beachten. Andererseits haben die EU-Vorgaben zum Klimaschutz – insbesondere die Reduktionsziele für CO₂-Emissionen – weitreichende und zum Teil langfristige Auswirkungen auf die Wirtschaft der EU-Mitgliedsstaaten und deren Wettbewerbsfähigkeit.

Umweltfreundliche Vorgaben haben zum Teil ernste Auswirkungen auf energieintensive Industrien und auf die natürliche Umwelt. Insbesondere die neuen EU-Mitgliedsstaaten haben noch immer mit den Schwierigkeiten der Vergangenheit zu kämpfen.

Die heutigen Rahmenbedingungen veranlassen viele Unternehmer dazu, ihre Produktion in die sich schnell entwickelnden Ländern Asiens oder der Dritten Welt zu verlagern. Die Wirtschaften der europäischen Länder müssen ihren bisherigen Vorteil durch die Entwicklung von Innovation und wissensbasierte Technologien sowie vermehrte Zusammenarbeit zwischen Wissenschaft und Wirtschaft erhalten und ausbauen.

Mit diesen grundlegenden Veränderungen konfrontiert, kommt dem Dialog heutzutage besondere Bedeutung zu. Es muss darüber diskutiert werden, wie die Staaten der europäischen Union sich diesen Veränderungsprozessen stellen und welche Qualitäten gefördert werden müssen, um im Wettbewerb mit den dynamischen Ländern Asiens und der neuen Welt mithalten. Kürzlich hat die Weltwirtschaftskrise sowohl Europa als auch insbesondere Polen erreicht und bereits zu ernststen Auswirkungen in manchen Branchen geführt. Die Unternehmen, Regionen und Länder sind gezwungen ihre Strategie an die neue Situation anzupassen. In diesem Zusammenhang ist eine gemeinsame Debatte über unsere Schwächen und Stärken und unseren Platz in der Weltwirtschaft unerlässlich.

Der European Economic Congress soll dazu beitragen eine neue Qualität in den europäischen Dialog zu bringen.

Programm:

Aus dem beigefügten Programmentwurf sowie der Gästeliste ist ersichtlich, dass der EEC ein hohes Maß an Aufmerksamkeit in Politik, Wirtschaft und Medien hat und hochkarätig besetzt ist.

Der Ablauf des European Economic Congress 2009 ist wie folgt vorgesehen:

Mittwoch 15.04.2009	Plenarsitzung mit hochrangigen Vertretern aus Politik z. B. dem polnischen Ministerpräsidenten Donald Tusk, Herr Günter Verheugen und Ministerpräsident Dr. Jürgen Rüttgers.
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Diskutiert werden hier u. a. die Auswirkungen der Weltfinanzkrise sowie die Vorgaben der europäischen Union zur Energiepolitik und deren Auswirkung auf die Großindustrie.

Donnerstag, 16.04.2009	In verschiedenen thematischen Diskussionsforen werden aktuelle Themen aus Gesellschaft, Wirtschaft und Politik erörtert.
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Im Rahmen der Zentralveranstaltung des EEC 2009, im Diskussionsforum „Gesellschaft“, wird Landrat Dieter Patt gemeinsam mit Ministerpräsident Dr. Jürgen Rüttgers zu den Einflüssen der Vorgaben der EU zum Klimaschutz auf die kommunale Ebene referieren (**s. Anlage 2, Seite 2**).

Sein Kollege Henryk Jaroszek vom Kreis Mokolow wird dies durch die polnische Sichtweise ergänzen.

Im Diskussionsforum „Innovation für den Klimaschutz“ wird Herr Prof. Harald Bolt vom Forschungszentrum Jülich über aktuelle Beiträge aus unserer Region referieren. Die Entwicklungen auf dem Innovationssektor von polnischer Seite werden von hochkarätigen polnischen Vertretern aus dem Bereich Forschung und Entwicklung – u. a. vom Central Mining Institute Kattowitz - vorgestellt.

Die Perspektive der Energiewirtschaft wird u. a. von RWE und vom polnischen Energiekonzern Tauron beleuchtet.

Freitag,
17.04.2009

Auch an diesem Tag werden in verschiedenen thematischen Foren, aktuelle Themen in einer Bandbreite von Energie bis hin zu Erziehung und Telekommunikation – mit dem Schwerpunkt Osteuropa - diskutiert.

Über den weiteren Fortgang der Vorbereitungen für den ECC 2009 wird berichtet.

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Anlage 1

Katowice, 9th January 2009

Dieter Patt
County Governor

Dear Mr Patt,

We would like to thank you for your support.

With reference to our meeting of November 20, 2008 as well as your letter we hereby confirm your participation in the European Economic Congress (15-17 April, 2009).

Please find attached introductory documents regarding the Congress including agenda. The agenda takes into consideration participation of Neuss representatives in the following panels:

- Local communities, self-government: Dieter Patt, Neuss Governor
- Innovations in climate protection: prof. Harold Bolt – Julich Research Centre
- Energy : RWE.

We would like to ask you to confirm your participation.

We are in touch with Mr Jaroszek, Mikołów County Governor and companies RWE and Tauron.

We would welcome with pleasure more representatives from Germany. We would like to ask you, if it is possible, to indicate names of companies and people (for example members of European Parliament) whose attendance can be an asset for the Congress.

Best regards,

Wojciech Kuśpik
PTWP chairman

P.S. All information concerning the Congress is available in our office

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**The European Economic Congress
Katowice, from 15th to 17th April 2009**

**Scope of Congress topics
15th April 2009**

1 pm to 6.30 pm Plenary session

Place: Górnośląskie Centrum Kultury or Sala koncertowa Akademii Muzycznej im. Karola Szymanowskiego

7.00 pm Banquet

Place: Śląski Urząd Wojewódzki (Silesian Voivodeship Office; organizer: Marshal Office of Silesian Voivodeship)

9 pm Banquet

Place: Hotel Monopol

The agenda of plenary session

Challenges for Europe

- The world financial crisis
- Actions to reduce climate changes – which economy does the European Union need?

The following people, among others, were invited for the plenary session (in alphabetical order):

Jean-Claude Juncker – Prime Minister of Luxembourg; ; **Jürgen Rüttgers** – Minister-President of North Rhine Westphalia; **Mirek Topolánek** – Prime Minister of Czech Republic; **Donald Tusk** – Prime Minister of Poland; **Günter Verheugen** – Vice-President of European Commission, European Commissioner for Enterprise and Industry

Moderator: **Jerzy Buzek** – Member of European Parliament, Prime Minister of Poland between 1997 and 2001

Finance/economy

- The world financial crisis: the consequences and prognosis for Europe

The following people, among others, were invited for the session (in alphabetical order):

Leszek Balcerowicz – Deputy Prime Minister and Finance Minister between 1989 and 1991 and between 1997 and 2000, former chairman of National Bank of Poland between 2001 and 2007; **Marek Belka** – Prime Minister of Poland between 2004 and 2005; **Jan Krzysztof Bielecki** – Prime Minister of Poland in 1991; **Jean Lemierre** – President of European Bank for Reconstruction and Development; **Jan Vincent Rostowski** – Finance Minister; representative of Deutsche Bank AG

The energy policy of European Union

- The climate package
- Energy security
- Liberal energy market
- How to attain these goals taking care of EU economy competitiveness?

The following people, among others, were invited for the plenary session (in alphabetical order):

Jürgen Großmann – President of RWE AG; **Lars G. Josefsson** – President and CEO of Vattenfall AB; **Dariusz Lubera** – CEO of Tauron Polska Energia SA; **Waldemar Pawlak** – Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Economy; **Martin Roman** – CEO of ČEZ, a. s.; **Tomasz Zadroga** – CEO of PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna SA; member of the E.ON AG Board of Directors

The climate package – challenges for industry situated in EU

Special guests:

Representatives of management of the following companies:

ArcelorMittal; BASF SE; Bayer AG; CEMEX S.A.B. de C.V.; Lafarge Group

The following people, among others, were invited for the session (in alphabetical order):

George F. Babcoke – President of U. S. Steel Kosice, s.r.o.; **Luc Callebat** – CEO of Lafarge Cement SA; **Jiri Cienciala** – CEO of Trinecke Zelezarny; **Krzysztof Jałosiński** – CEO of Zakłady Azotowe Kędzierzyn SA; **Ryszard Kunicki** – CEO of Ciech SA; **Luis Miguel** – CEO of Cantu CEMEX Polska Sp. z o.o.; **Gregor Muenstermann** – CEO of ArcelorMittal Poland SA; **Torsten Penkuhn** – CEO of BASF Polska Sp. z o.o.; **Przemysław Sztuczowski** – CEO of ZŁOMREX SA

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16th April 2009

From 9 am to 4 pm Thematic sessions

The second day thematic sessions will be held in several places at the same time: Hotel Monopol, Hotel Qubus, Biurowiec Centrum Handlu Zagranicznego, Śląski Urząd Wojewódzki, Hotel Novotel Centrum.

4 pm Unofficial meetings

Banquets: Sky Bar, Hotel Qubus, Hotel Monopol

Trips: Gliwice (Nowe Centrum), Zabrze (coal mine Guido), Tychy (Museum of Brewing), Zameczek Myśliwski (Shooting Lodge) in Promnice

Agenda of thematic sessions:

Reforms in the European Union

- How to reform European economy in the times of crisis?

The panel of „former” Prime Ministers. The following people are invited (in alphabetical order):

Jerzy Buzek – Member of European Parliament, Prime Minister between 1997 and 2001; **Mikuláš Dzurinda** – Prime Minister of Slovakia between 1998 and 2006; **José María Aznar** – Prime Minister of Spain between 1996 and 2004

Moderator: Kamil Durczok / Roman Młodkowski

Innovations for climate protection

- Clean coal technologies
- Innovations in the field of energy
- EU programmes aiming at supporting technologies connected with environment protection

Special guests:

– **Janez Potočnik** – EU Commissioner for Research and Development

The following people, among others, were invited for that session (in alphabetical order):

Harald Bolt – Jülich Research Centre; **Jerzy Buzek** – Member of European Parliament, Prime Minister between 1997 and 2001; **Jerzy Dubiński** – Director of Główny Instytut Górnictwa (Central Mining Institute); **Andrzej Karbownik** – Rector of Silesian University of Technology in Gliwice; **Mirosław Kugiel** – CEO of Kompania Węglowa SA; **Lesław Kuzaj** – Director in Central Europe of General Electric International; **Dariusz Lubera** – CEO of Tauron Polska Energia SA; **Maciej Nowicki** – Minister of Environment; **Waldemar Pawlak** – Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Economy; **Marek Świążko** – Director of Instytut Chemicznej Przeróbki Węgla (Institute for Chemical Processing of Coal); **Andrzej Siemaszko** – Director of Krajowy Punkt Kontaktowy Programów Badawczych Unii Europejskiej, Instytut Podstawowych Problemów; **Filip Thon** – CEO of RWE Polska; **Torbjörn Wahlborg** – Director of Vattenfall Poland Sp. z o.o.

Society

Local communities and local self-government

- The influence of climate package on local market from perspective of self-government
- Investor in a region and the influence of large investments on regional development, possibilities of cooperation (education, unemployment, municipal investments)
- Realization of investment projects, local communities aspect

Special guest:

– **Dieter Patt** – Neuss County Governor

– **Jürgen Rüttgers** – Minister-President of North Rhine Westphalia

The following people, among others, were invited for the session (in alphabetical order):

Marek Chrzanowski – Mayor of Bełchatów; **Zygmunt Frankiewicz** – Mayor of Gliwice; **Adam Fudali** – Mayor of Rybnik; **Kazimierz Górski** – Mayor of Sosnowiec; **Henryk Jaroszek** – Mikołów County Governor; **Dariusz Lubera** – CEO of Tauron Polska Energia SA; **Małgorzata Mańka-Szulik** – Mayor of Zabrze; **Paweł Silbert** – Mayor of Jaworzno; **Bogusław Śmigielski** – Marshal of Silesian Voivodeship; **Zbyszek Zaborowski** – Vice Marshal of Silesian Voivodeship; **Tomasz Zadroga** – CEO of PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna SA; **Jarosław Zagórowski** – CEO of Jastrzębska Spółka Węglowa SA

Infrastructure

Aviation

- Development of airport infrastructure – European tendencies
- Air industry

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Cezary Grabarczyk – Minister in Infrastructure Ministry **Krzysztof Krystowski** – CEO of Avio Polska Sp. z o.o.; **Michał Marzec** – CEO of Przedsiębiorstwo Państwowe Porty Lotnicze; **Jan Pamuła** – CEO of Międzynarodowy Port Lotniczy im. Jana Pawła II Kraków-Balice Sp. z o.o. (John Paul II International Airport Kraków-Balice); **Jerzy Polaczek** – Member of Polish Parliament, Minister of Transport between 2005 and 2007; **Artur Tomasiak** – CEO of Górnośląskie Towarzystwo Lotnicze SA; **Eugeniusz Wycisło** – Chairman of Górnośląska Agencja Przekształceń Przedsiębiorstw SA

Transport

- Investments in infrastructure in Central and Eastern Europe (railways, roads)
- International transport corridors, joint projects

Special guests:

Alen Rebiček – Minister of Transport in Czech Republic

Lubomir Vážny – Minister of Transport, Post and Telecommunication of the Slovak Republic

The following people were invited for the session:

Cezary Grabarczyk – Minister in Infrastructure Ministry; **Stefan Hlinka** – General Director of Railway of Slovak Republic (Železnice Slovenskej republiky); **Janusz Piechociński** – Member of Polish Parliament, the Deputy President in the Infrastructure Commission in Polish Parliament; **Jerzy Polaczek** – Member of Polish Parliament, Minister of Transport between 2005 and 2007; **Zbigniew Rynasiewicz** – Member of Polish Parliament, President of Infrastructure Commission; **Andrzej Wach** – CEO of PKP SA; **Lech Witecki** – Acting Managing Director of Generalna Dyrekcja Dróg Krajowych i Autostrad; representatives of: Czech Railways (Česke Drah); local self-government of Lower Silesian Voivodeship and Silesian Voivodeship; Ostrava and Žylna regions

Innovation

Innovation economy for Europe

- Transfer of technology, R&D, new technologies
- Cooperation between science and industry
- EU strategy in the field of innovation

Special guests:

– **Mikuláš Dzurinda** – Prime Minister of Slovakia between 1998 and 2006

– **Janez Potočnik** – EU Commissioner for Research and Development

The following people, among others, were invited (in alphabetical order):

Jerzy Buzek – Member of European Parliament, Prime Minister between 1997 and 2001; **Andrzej Karbownik** – Rector of Silesian University of Technology in Gliwice; **Krzysztof Krystowski** – CEO of Avio Polska Sp. z o.o.; **Jan Olbrycht** – Member of European Parliament; **Waldemar Pawlak** – Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Economy; **Antoni Tajduś** – Rector of Akademia Górniczo-Hutnicza (AGH University of Science and Technology)

Automotive

Perspectives for automotive industry in Poland and in Europe

The following people, among others, were invited for the session (in alphabetical order):

Zdzisław Arlet – Director of Factory in Fiat Auto Poland; **Antonio Francavilla** – Director of Factory in General Motors Manufacturing Poland Sp. z o.o.; **Waldemar Łyżwa** – Director of NGK Spark Plug Europe GMBH Sp. z o.o.; **Enrico Pavoni** – CEO of Fiat Auto Poland; **John C. Plant** – President and CEO of TRW Automotive; representatives of: Daimler Mercedes Benz; Ernst & Young; Man-Star Trucks Truck & Bus Center; Solaris Bus & Coach Sp. z o.o.

Medicine

The reform of healthcare in Europe and in the world, the best models

Special guests:

Alan Johnson – Secretary of State for Health in UK; **Tomáš Julínek** – Minister of Health in Czech Republic; **Ewa Kopacz** – Minister Zdrowia; **Richard Raši** – Minister of Health in Slovak Republic; **Ursula Schmidt** – Federal Ministry of Health in Germany

The current situation in Polish healthcare system

- Implementation of Healthcare Resource Groups
- Financial restructuring
- Structure of ownership and tendencies in transformation
- Financing services and access to therapies
- Management and innovations
- The role of local authorities in healthcare transformation

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Specialists, hospital directors and administration were invited to take part in this session.

Public and private partnership

- Financing infrastructure projects
- Public and private partnership – European experience
- Investments aiming at development in self-governments
- Municipal economy (water, energy, local roads)

Special guests:

- **Adam Szejnfeld** – Secretary of State in Ministry of Economy
- **Elżbieta Bieńkowska** – Minister in Ministry of Region Development

Partner: region North Rhine Westphalia

The following people are invited among others (in alphabetical order):

Pascal Bonne – CEO of Dalkia Polska SA; **Kazimierz Górski** – Mayor of Sosnowiec; **Henryk Liszka** – President and CEO of Hochtief Polska Sp. z o.o.; **Herbert Lütkestratkötter** – CEO of Hochtief Aktiengesellschaft; **Zdzisław Olejczyk** – CEO of Fortum Power and Heat Polska Sp. z o.o.; **Christian Schnell** – Managing Partner of BSJP; **Piotr Uszok** – Mayor of Katowice; **Emil Wąsacz** – CEO of Stalexport Autostrady SA; **Tadeusz Wrona** – Mayor of Częstochowa; representative of Veolia Environnement

Finance

- Capital for development
- Tendencies and opportunities
- The role of European funds

Partners:

- **Elżbieta Bieńkowska** – Minister in Ministry of Region Development
- **Danuta Jabłońska** – Chairman of Polska Agencja Rozwoju Przedsiębiorczości (Polish Agency for Enterprise Development)
- **Ludwik Sobolewski** – Chairman of Warsaw Stock Exchange

Energy

- Electric energy market – is there a chance for common European electric energy market?
- Necessary actions to be taken in order to liberalise energy market
- Market „liberalisation” in European countries

The following people, among others, were invited (in alphabetical order):

Grzegorz Górski – CEO of Electrabel Polska SA; **Giovanni Leonardi** – CEO of Atel Holding Ltd; **Paweł Mortas** – CEO of ENEA SA; **Frank Reinhold** – Director in charge of Energy in Central Europe, Atel Holding Ltd; **Mariusz Maciej Swora** – President of Urząd Regulacji Energetyki; **Filip Thon** – CEO of RWE Polska; **Torbjörn Wahlborg** – Director of Vattenfall Poland Sp. z o.o.; **Tomasz Zadroga** – President and CEO of PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna SA; **Arkadiusz Zieleźny** – Managing Director of Atel Polska Sp. z o.o.; representatives of: Electrabel; Ernst & Young; Firma Doradcza KPMG; RWE AG; Vattenfall AB

Chemical sector – global market, European conditions

- R&D, raw materials, financing

The following people, among others, were invited for the session

(in alphabetical order):

Michael Hepp – CEO of BASF Polska Sp. z o.o.; **Krzysztof Jałosiński** – CEO of Zakłady Azotowe Kędzierzyn SA; **Paweł Jarczewski** – CEO of Zakłady Azotowe Puławy SA; **Marek Konieczny** – CEO of Yara Poland Sp. z o.o.; **Dariusz Krawczyk** – CEO of Synthos SA; **Ryszard Kunicki** – CEO of Ciech SA; **Jerzy Marciniak** – CEO of Zakłady Azotowe w Tarnowie-Mościcach SA; **Waldemar Preussner** – President of Board of Supervisors of PCC AG; representative of Bayer AG

Municipal investments

Plans and financing

Partner:

- Górnośląski Związek Metropolitalny (Upper Silesian Metropolitan Union)

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From 9.30 am to 3 pm Thematic sessions

The third day thematic session will be held in several places at the same time: Hotel Monopol, Hotel Qubus, Biurowiec Centrum Handlu Zagranicznego, Śląski Urząd Wojewódzki, Hotel Novotel Centrum.

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3.30 pm Summary session:

Banquet: Śląski Urząd Wojewódzki (Office of Silesian Voivodeship)

Agenda of thematic sessions:

Innovation

Service centers based on knowledge (BPO, ITO, R&D)

Panel partner: Katowice Special Economic Zone

The following people, among others, were invited for the session (in alphabetical order):

Duleep Aluwihare – Managing Partner of Ernst&Young; **Dariusz Fabiszewski** – CEO of IBM Polska; **Piotr Wojaczek** – President of Katowicka Specjalna Strefa Ekonomiczna SA (Katowice Special Economic Zone); **Paweł Wojciechowski** – President of Polska Agencja Informacji i Inwestycji Zagranicznych SA (Polish Information and Foreign Investment Agency); representatives of: Capgemini Polska Sp. z o.o.; Rockwell Automation Polska and foreign guests (from the USA, India, Finland)

Infrastructure and transport

- Reloading terminals
- Logistic centres

Host:

Paweł Podsiadło – CEO of Centrala Zaopatrzenia Hutnictwa SA

The following people, among others, were invited for the session (in alphabetical order):

Zbigniew Trachlebski – CEO of PKP Linia Hutnicza Szerokotorowa Sp. z o.o.; **Wojciech Balcun** – CEO of PKP Cargo SA; **Mieczysław Olender** – CEO of PCC Rail SA; **Krzysztof Sędzikowski** – CEO of CTL Logistics Sp. z o.o.; **Andrzej Wach** – CEO of PKP SA; representatives of: Deutsche Bahn; Czech Railways (České dráhy); Železnice Slovenskej republiky

Metallurgy

- The current situation in the world metallurgy and steel industry
- Prognosis
- Central and Eastern Europe
- Metallurgy in Poland
- Mergers and takeovers in the branch
- The market of steel distribution
- Raw materials: (coke and coking coal, scrap metals, iron ore)

Special guests:

- **Max Aicher** – Chairman of Max Aicher GmbH & Co
- **George F Babcoke** – President of U. S. Steel Kosice, s.r.o.
- **Klaus-Dieter Beck** – CEO of OKD a.s.
- **Gerhard Cromme** – Chairman of ThyssenKrupp AG
- **Iskandar K. Makhmudov** – President of UGMK Ural Mining and Metallurgical Company
- **Serhij Taruta** – Chairman of Supervisory Board, Dombas Industrial Association
- ArcelorMittal representative

The following people, among others, were invited for the session (in alphabetical order):

Jerzy Bernhard – CEO of Stalprofil SA; **Jiri Cienciala** – CEO of Trinecke Zeleznary; **Jerzy Kozicz** – CEO of CMC Zawiercie SA; **Konstanty Litwinow** – CEO of ISD Polska Sp. z o.o.; **Gregor Muenstermann** – CEO of ArcelorMittal Poland SA; **Jiri Plajner** – CEO of Feron a.s.; **Edward Szlek** – Prezes Zarządu, Koksownia Przyjaźń Sp. z o.o.; **Przemysław Sztuczowski** – Prezes Zarządu, ZŁOMREX SA; **Krzysztof Walarowski** – CEO of Centrostal SA Gdańsk/Złomrex Steel Services SA; **Robert Wojdyna** – CEO of Konsorcjum Stali SA; **Jarosław Zagórowski** – CEO of Jastrzębska Spółka Węglowa SA; **Mieczysław Zamelski** – CEO of GCB Centrostal Bydgoszcz SA

Energy

The renewable sources of energy – energy balance in EU

- Present experience
- European Commission plans
- Perspectives of projects financing

Education

- Economy based on knowledge – necessary education models

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- **Mikuláš Dzurinda** – Prime Minister of Slovakia between 1998 and 2006
- **Barbara Kudrycka** – Ministry of Science and Higher Education

The following people, among others, were invited for the session (in alphabetical order):

Frantisek Gaher – Rector of Comenius University in Bratislava (Bratislava); **Richard Hindls** – President of University of Economics (Praga); **Andrzej Karbownik** – Rector of Silesian University of Technology in Gliwice; **Michał Kleiber** – Chairman of Polska Akademia Nauk (Polish Academy of Sciences), Ministry of Education between 2001 and 2005; **Kurt Kutzler** – President of Technische Universität (Berlin); **Krzysztof Pawłowski** – President of Wyższa Szkoła Biznesu – National-Louis University; **Matti Pursula** – Rector of Helsinki University of Technology (Helsinki); **Jan Pyka** – Rector of University of Economy in Katowice; **Tadeusz Więckowski** – Rector of Wrocław University of Technology; European Commission representative

Information society – telecommunication, media, Internet

Special guest:

- **Grzegorz Schetyna** – Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Affairs and Administration

Speech:

- **Viviane Reding** – European Commissioner for Information Society and Media

The following people, among others, were invited for the session (in alphabetical order):

Mirosław Godlewski – CEO of Netia SA; **Klaus Hartmann** – CEO of PTC ERA; **Paweł Kostrzewa** – CEO of Grupa ITI; **Andrzej Panasiuk** – Undersecretary of State in Infrastructure Ministry; **Anna Streżyńska** – President of Office of electronic Communications

Information society

- Informatization of public administration
- EU projects regarding Informatization of public administration
- EU countries' experience
- Internet in local self-government

Partner: Ministry of Internal Affairs and administration

Special guest:

- **Grzegorz Schetyna** – Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Affairs and Administration

Industrial parks, scientific and technological parks, clusters

- EU countries experience

Partners:

- **Wojciech Dąbrowski** – President of Agencja Rozwoju Przemysłu SA
- **Mirosław Bobrzyński** – CEO of Euro-Centrum Sp. z o.o.

Special guests:

Representatives of the following regions: Asturias, Styria and Centrum Postępu Technologii-Weizer Energii

Real estate, tendencies on real estate market in Central and Eastern Europe

The following people, among others, were invited (in alphabetical order):

Armada Development SA; Cushman & Wakefield Polska Sp. z o.o.; Metropolis SA; TriGranit Development Polska Sp. z o.o.

Hard coal mining

- Perspectives for hard coal in EU
- Clean coal firing
- Energy sector based on coal
- Market of coking coal

The following people, among others, were invited for the session:

Representatives of: ArcelorMittal; E.ON AG; Jastrzębska Spółka Węglowa SA; Katowicki Holding Węglowy SA; Kompania Węglowa SA; New World Resources N.V.; OKD a.s.; RWE AG; Vattenfall AB

Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Kazakhstan

- Opportunities for economic cooperation
- New challenges in the times of recession

The following people, among others, were invited for the session (in alphabetical order):

Andrzej Arendarski – Chairman of Krajowa Izba Gospodarcza (Polish Chamber of Commerce); **Zygmunt Berdychowski** – founder of Fundacja Instytut Studiów Wschodnich (Foundation Institute for Eastern Studies);

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Tadeusz Donocik – Chairman of Regionalna Izba Gospodarcza w Katowicach (Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Katowice); **Erlan Kažasbaj** – Chairman of Izba Przemysłowo-Handlowa Republiki Kazachstan (Kazakhstan Chamber of Commerce and Industry); **Konstanty Litwinow** – CEO of ISD Polska Sp. z o.o.; **Wołodymyr Łogwynenko** – Governor of Obwód Doniecki (Donetsk Oblast); **Alexei Mordashov** – President and CEO of Severst; **Jacek Piechota** – Chairman of Polsko-Ukraińska Izba Gospodarcza (Poland and Ukraine Chamber of Commerce), Minister of Economy between 2001 and 2003 as well as Minister of Work and Economy in 2005; **Jewgienij Maksymowicz Primakow** – Chairman of Izba Przemysłowo-Handlowa Federacji Rosyjskiej (Russian Federation Chamber Commerce and Industry); **Vasylij Romanow** – Chairman of Białoruska Izba Przemysłowo-Handlowa (Belarussian Chamber of Commerce and Industry); **Serhiy Skrypchenko** – Chairman of Ukraińska Izba Przemysłowo-Handlowa (Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce and Industry); representative of UGMK SA



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Idea

Europe is facing a great political and economic challenge. The political decisions of European Union members defined the way the economy is to be developing on our continent. Community of European countries has decided that striving for competitiveness and efficiency it will take into account the environment needs respecting at the same time the principles of sustainable development.

Consistent and responsible economic policy taking into consideration the interest of the environment, results in, on the one hand, improvement of standard of living and the natural heritage is being preserved for the future generations. On the other hand all accepted restrictions and ambitious requirements strictly connected with climate package – above all with reduction of CO₂ emissions by the industry or bigger share of renewable energy – bring about far-reaching, permanent and almost immediate effects for the economies of the member states, their effectiveness and global competitiveness.

Environment-friendly regulations have particularly serious impact on energy-intensive industries and deeply affect the natural environment. New member states of EU have been subjected to particularly strong pressure with Poland among others. In spite of dynamic transformations of their economies they are still wrestling with their problems of the past. For them, it will be by far more difficult to meet these rigorous settlements than for the developed countries of old European Union.

In this context one may hazard a thesis that the Europeans are in for post-industrial revolution. Noxious to environment and energy-intensive industries will be gradually withdrawn – the manufacturers will transfer their production to fast developing countries of Asia or the Third World among others. The economies of European countries will have to build up their advantage through the development of innovations and the economy based on knowledge – the use of state-of-the-art technologies, interaction of business and science.

Confronted with these imminent transformations a dialog becomes of particular importance. It has to be discussed how the countries of European Union will go through this new transformation and what chief assets might be applied by them to compete with economically dynamic countries of Asia or the New World.

Recently, the echoes of the world's crisis reach both Europe and Poland, and its severe consequences have already been felt by some branches. The firms, regions, and countries are faced with the necessity to adopt their strategies to the new situation, to re-orient their vision of development. In this context, a joint debate on our strong and weak sides, on our place in the world's economics becomes particularly and urgently needed.

We believe that Poland is a good place for such debates – as it is one of the fastest developing countries in Europe. Hence Upper Silesia constitutes a splendid framework for such debate in Poland. It is a region with one of the biggest agglomerations of our continent, an area of a great potential and rich industrial traditions, which effectively modernizes and transforms its economy – however it is still dependent on traditional sources of energy and enters into complex interactions with natural and social environment.

We can easily hazard a thesis that it is here in Silesia that the economic issues and challenges as well as social ones of the united Europe concentrate.

Referring to the idea of Robert Schumann who thought that "The value of Europe is Europe of values" one can dedicate to the economy of the Old Continent the following watchword: „The Greatness of Europe is the Europe of Greatness" In order to make this greatness come true a concrete dialogue and trustworthy co-operation is necessary – after all, we know that we can, as a community, do more together than just alone.

The organizers of European Economic Congress would like to contribute a new quality to this dialogue. This three-day meeting of two thousand most important people for the European economy are bound to create a precious value – this will make it possible for us all to being more aware and with joint forces cope with the challenges of today's world.

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- **Leszek Balcerowicz** – Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Finance in the years from 1989 to 1991 and from 1997 to 2000, Chairman of National Bank of Poland in the years from 2001 to 2007
- **Władysław Bartoszewski** – Secretary of State at the Office of President of the Council of Ministers, Plenipotentiary for International Dialogue
- **Marek Belka** – Prime Minister in the years from 2004 to 2005
- **Jan Krzysztof Bielecki** – Prime Minister in the year of 1991
- **Stavros Dimas** – Commissioner for Environment
- **Mikuláš Dzurinda** – Prime Minister of Slovakia in the years from 1998 to 2006
- **Michael Glos** – Minister of Economy and Technology of Germany
- **Cezary Grabarczyk** – Minister of Infrastructure
- **Aleksander Grad** – The Minister of State Treasury
- **Danuta Hübner** – EU Commissioner for Regional Policy
- **Ľubomír Jahnátek** – Minister of Economy of the Republic of Slovakia
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- **Wiktor Juszczenko** – President of Ukraine
- **János Kóka** – Minister of Economy and Transport of Hungary
- **Barbara Kudrycka** – Minister of Science and Higher Education
- **Angela Merkel** – Chancellor of Germany
- **Waldemar Pawlak** – Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Economy
- **Andris Piebalgs** – EU Commissioner for Energy
- **Janez Potočnik** – EU Commissioner for Science and Research
- **Poul Nyrup Rasmussen** – Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Denmark in the years from 1993 to 2001
- **Viviane Reding** – EU Commissioner for Information Society and Media
- **Martin Říman** – Minister of Industry of the Republic of Czech
- **Grzegorz Schetyna** – Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Internal Affairs and Administration
- **Anna Streżyńska** – Chairwoman of the Electronic Communication Office
- **Mirek Topolánek** – Prime Minister of the Republic of Czech
- **Donald Tusk** – Prime Minister
- **Günter Verheugen** – Vice-chairman of European Commission, EU Commissioner for Enterprises and Industry
- **Lech Wałęsa** – President of Poland in the years from 1990 to 1995
- Partner regions of Silesia (Moravsky-Silesian Land; Žylna Land; Doniecki District; Nord-Pas de Calais Region; Nordrhein-Westfalen; Styria; Department of Lower Rhein; Wallonia and French Commonwealth; Asturias; Region of Western Gottland)

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- **Bogusław Śmigielski** – Marshal of Silesian Province
- **Donald Tusk** – Prime Minister
- **Piotr Uszok** – Mayor of Katowice
- Upper Silesia Metropolis Association
- Municipalities: Gliwice, Jaworzno, Ruda Śląska, Rybnik, Sosnowiec, Zabrze
- Katowice Special Economic Zone
- Polish Information and Foreign Investment Agency
- Embassies: Ukraine, Slovakia, Czech, USA, Great Britain, Germany, India, Lithuania, Slovenia, Turkey, Ireland
- Organizations: American Chamber of Commerce, British-Polish Chamber of Commerce, Business Centre Club, Kenyan-Polish Forum, Polish Chamber of Commerce, Polish-Czech Chamber of Industry and Commerce, Polish-German Chamber of Industry and Commerce, Polish-Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce, Regional Chamber of Commerce in Katowice, Turkish Chamber of Commerce

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