

## AGENDA

# Business Forum: 10 years Berlin Process – The Western Balkans as an economic area on the way to the EU

September 24, 2024, 9:30 am – 2:30 pm

Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action (Conference Centre)

Invalidenstraße 48, 10115 Berlin

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<b>8:00 – 9:30 am</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Opening of the Business Forum</b> <i>Ludwig Erhard Hall, auditorium</i> <b>Dr. Robert Habeck</b> Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Climate Action  <b>Dr. Volker Treier</b> Head of Foreign Trade, Member of the Executive Board, German Chamber of Industry and Commerce (DIHK)  <b>Dr. Thomas Narbeshuber</b> Vice President BASF Group responsible for South East Europe, BASF, Speaker of the Working Group on SEE, German Eastern Business Association
<b>10:15 am</b>	<b>Impulse for Panel I</b> <b>Lulzim Rafuna</b> President of the Managing Board, Western Balkans 6 Chamber Investment Forum (WB6 CIF)
<b>10:20 am</b>	<b>Panel I Ministerial Panel</b> <b>Common Regional Market – 10 years Berlin Process</b> On August 24, 2014, the Ministers of Economic Affairs of the region met at this location on the occasion of the first Berlin Process Summit in Berlin and discussed the potential and prospects of regional cooperation and the resulting opportunities for the economic development of the region. <i>Panelists</i> WB6 Ministers of Economic Affairs <i>Moderation</i> <b>Dr. Stormy-Annika Mildner</b> Executive Director of the Aspen Institute Germany
<b>11:20 am</b>	<b>Coffee break</b> <i>Vestibule</i>
<b>11:50 am</b>	<b>Impulse for Panel II</b> <b>Artur Lorkowski</b> Director Energy Community
<b>11:55 am</b>	<b>Panel II</b> <b>Energy and climate protection: challenges and opportunities for the economic area</b> The green transformation as an opportunity for the Western Balkans. <i>Panelists</i> <b>Dirk Buschle</b> Energy Community <b>Andreas Chollet</b> wpd <b>Branko Azeski</b> Deputy-Chairman of WB6 CIF <b>Angela Nastevska</b> Iskra Kumanovo <b>Stjepan Kumric</b> Lukavac Cement BiH <i>Moderation</i> <b>Nargis Wieck</b> Director, Staff unit international cooperations, dena
<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>Summary/Concluding remarks</b> <b>Dr. Nina Wunderlich</b> Deputy Director General for European Policies, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action
<b>1:10 – 2:30 pm</b>	<b>Networking Lunch Business Forum</b> <i>Vestibule</i> B2B event with German and Western Balkans companies, with a view to presenting opportunities and benefits from investing in the region and finding partners for establishing joint supply chains.

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