

## CONFERENCE

### Independent Kosovo and the EU – Political and Economic Developments and Perspectives

October 1<sup>st</sup> 2009

Raiffeisen Zentralbank/RZB, Am Stadtpark 9, A-1030 Vienna

**14.00 Opening remarks:**

Erhard BUSEK, Chairman of the Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe (IDM)

Sabri KIQMARI, Charge d'Affairs of the Republic of Kosovo in Austria

**14.15 “Political Perspectives”**

**Keynote Speeches:**

Stefan LEHNE, Head of Political Section, Austrian Foreign Ministry

Pieter FEITH, EU Special Representative in Kosovo

Ahmet SHALA, Minister of Economy and Finances of the Republic of Kosovo

**15.00**

- Pieter FEITH, EU Special Representative in Kosovo
  - Ahmet SHALA, Minister of Economy and Finances of the Republic of Kosovo
  - Friedrich SCHRÖTTER, Austrian Ministry of Defence and Sports
  - Verena KNAUS, European Stability Initiative/ESI
- Moderation: Elisa VASS, ORF-Radio*

Discussion / Q & A

**16.30 Coffee Break**

**17.00 “Economic Perspectives”**

**Keynote Speech:**

Lufti ZHARKU, Minister of Trade and Industry of the Republic of Kosovo

**17.15**

- Kujtim DOBRUNA, Economic Initiative for Kosovo
  - Hans-Jörg HUMMER, Austrian Development Agency
  - Christian MIKOSCH, Wolf Theiss
  - Besim BEQAJ, Kosovo Chamber of Commerce
  - Vladimir GLIGOROV, Vienna Institute for International Economic Studies/WIIW
- Moderation: Sissi EIGRUBER, Wirtschaftsblatt*

Discussion / Q & A

**18.30 Reception / Buffet**



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