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## IMPROVING ACCESS TO PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

SOFIA, 15 JUNE 2018

### AGENDA

*Overall moderator: Marc Gramberger*

9.00 – 9.30	<b>Registration of participants and welcome coffee</b>
9.30 – 10.30	<b>Opening plenary remarks</b> <b>Elżbieta BIEŃKOWSKA</b> , Commissioner for the Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs <b>Tomislav DONCHEV</b> , Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Bulgaria <b>Juliane KOKOTT</b> , Advocate General at the Court of Justice of the European Union <b>Marc TARABELLA</b> , Member of the European Parliament
10.30 – 11.00	<b>Coffee break</b>
11.00 – 12.30	<b>Workshops</b>
	<b>Better access for economic operators, better choices for public buyers: preventing collusion in public procurement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Irmfried SCHWIMANN</b>, Deputy Director-General, Directorate General Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (GROW), European Commission</li><li>• <b>Rikard JERMSTEN</b>, Director General of the Swedish Competition Authority</li><li>• <b>Christopher H. BOVIS</b>, Professor of European Business Law and H.K. Bevan Chair in Law at the Law School of the University of Hull</li><li>• <b>Antonio CAPOBIANCO</b>, Member of the Competition Division, Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs, OECD</li><li>• <b>Bence TÓTH</b>, Researcher, University College London</li></ul> <p><i>Moderator: Michelle Nitschmann</i></p>

	<p><b>Effective remedy systems to boost access to public procurement markets</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Alvydas STANCIKAS</b>, Head of Unit “Procurement Legislation and enforcement”, Directorate General Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (GROW), European Commission</li> <li>• <b>Borut SMRDEL</b>, President of the National Review Commission for Reviewing Public Procurement Procedures, Slovenia</li> <li>• <b>Tunde TÀTRAI</b>, Professor at Corvinus University of Budapest</li> <li>• <b>Alexander HUBNER</b>, Partner at HAVER &amp; MAILÄNDER Rechtsanwälte</li> <li>• <b>Totis KOTSONIS</b>, Partner at Eversheds Sutherland</li> <li>• <b>Basje BENDER</b>, Adviser, Business Europe</li> </ul> <p><i>Moderator: Marc Gramberger</i></p>
12.30 – 13.45	<p><b>Lunch break</b></p>
13.45 – 15.15	<p><b>Plenary session</b></p> <p><b>Opportunities for SMEs and social economy enterprises in public procurement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Marzena ROGALSKA</b>, Acting Director, Single Market for Public Administrations, Directorate General Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (GROW), European Commission</li> <li>• <b>Angela RUSSO</b>, Head of International Cooperation Projects for Consip SpA, the Italian Central Purchasing Body, Italy</li> <li>• <b>Alexandra LEON</b>, Programme Manager “SME friendly practices for CPBs”, Federal Procurement Agency (BBG), Austria</li> <li>• <b>Thomas SIGNAL</b>, Policy Advisor, European Association of Service Providers for Persons with Disabilities</li> <li>• <b>Victor MESEGUER</b>, Head of Mission, Social Economy Europe</li> <li>• <b>Robert MISKUF</b>, CEO at PEDAL Consulting s.r.o.</li> </ul> <p><i>Moderator: Marc Gramberger</i></p>
15.15 – 15.30	<p><b>Closing remarks</b></p> <p><b>Irmfried SCHWIMANN</b>, Deputy Director-General, Directorate General Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (GROW), European Commission</p>