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National Dialogue on Productivity

Wednesday, 11 November 2020

Programme of the online conference that will be held via the online platform Congress Rental Network with interpretation (Slovenian, English);

after mandatory online registration at <https://tinyurl.com/y3l4dwfg>, the participants will receive the link to join the conference

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09:00 – 09:10

Opening addresses

Economic recovery and green and digital transformation of the EU

Zoran Stančič, Head of the European Commission Representation in Slovenia

“Productivity isn’t everything, but in the long run it is almost everything”

Maja Bednaš, Director of the Institute of Macroeconomic Analysis and Development

09:10 – 09:30

National Productivity Report 2020

Diagnosis of the situation and opportunities of Industry 4.0

Peter Wostner, Institute of Macroeconomic Analysis and Development

09:30 – 10:45

Slovenia’s competitiveness and productivity in a changing world

Potential for further productivity growth in Slovenia and European Semester recommendations

Manfred Bergmann, Director, Directorate General for Economic and Financial Affairs, European Commission

The Slovenian Government’s plans for accelerating productivity growth and transformation

- Monika Kirbiš Rojs, State Secretary, Government Office for Development and European Cohesion Policy and Head of the working group for the preparation of the National Recovery and Resilience Plan

- Jernej Salecl, Acting General Director, Internationalisation, Entrepreneurship and Technology Directorate, Ministry of Economic Development and Technology

Panel discussion: Slovenia's priorities to boost productivity growth

- Academic point of view: Polona Domadenik, Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana
- Business point of view: Jure Knez, President of the Slovenian Business Club, Bojan Ivanc, Chief Economist, Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia.
- Workers' point of view: Jakob Počivalšek, President of the Confederation of Trade Unions of Slovenia Pergam

Discussion with the participants

10:45 – 11:30

Accelerating the digital transformation and Slovenia's development perspectives in the new normality

Panel discussion: The role of digital transformation in boosting productivity growth

- "Are our manufacturing companies ready for Industry 4.0?"
Iztok Palčič, University of Maribor, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering
- "How to accelerate the development of digital society?"
Igor Zorko, Digital Coalition
- "Eco-system in support of faster growth and digital transformation in companies"
Blaž Kos, Slovenian Enterprise Fund

Discussion with the participants

11:35 – 12:00

Conference summary and key findings

Maja Bednaš, Director of the Institute of Macroeconomic Analysis and Development

Ulla Hudina Kmetič, Deputy Head of the European Commission Representation in Slovenia