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PROGRAMME

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8:30 – 9:00

ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION

Location: **ZICER - Zagreb Innovation Center**
Avenija Dubrovnik 15, HR-10000 Zagreb

MODERATION: HR. UNIV. LEKT. **CHRISTIAN RUPP**, former Executive Secretary E-Government of the Austrian Federal Government and Spokesperson for the Digital Austria Platform at the Federal Chancellery

09.00 – 09.15

WELCOME AND OPENING STATEMENTS

- **Julia Tiefengraber**, The Chargé d'affaires of the Austrian Embassy Zagreb
 - **Gerhard Schlattl**, Austrian Trade Commissioner in Croatia (**ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA Zagreb**)
 - **Dieter Hampel**, **aed**, best practice Austria Initiative of the Austrian federal government
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09.15 – 09.45

KEYNOTES 'DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION'

- H.E. **Tereza Rogić Lugarić**, State Secretary, **Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Croatia**
- H.E. **Andreas Reichardt**, Vice Minister, **Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Austria**

Q & A

The digital transformation is having a profound impact on society. It is changing the world of work, education and health systems or social interactions. Today's customers are more demanding than ever. They expect personalised offers, fast delivery times and simple ordering processes. Digital technologies enable companies and administrations to fulfil these expectations and offer a better customer experience.

09.45 -10.00

SHORT COFFEE BREAK AND FAMILY PICTURE

10.00 – 11.30

PANEL ON E-GOVERNMENT

- **Ivan Lakoš**, Director General of the Directorate for the Development of the Digital Society and Strategic Planning, **Croatian Ministry of Justice, Administration and Digital Transformation**
- **Eduard Müller**, former Austrian Minister of Finance, FMA
- **Peter Haunold**, **FABASOFT**
- **Heinrich Anatol**, **hpc one**
- **Oswald Temper**, **wedolT-solutions**
- **Joseph Schneider**, **hpc dual**

Q & A

Panel focus: Companies that successfully implement the digital transformation can gain a competitive advantage, but also a digital administration. By using digital technologies, they can optimise processes, increase efficiency, reduce costs and develop better customer oriented services. Exchange of experience between Croatia and Austria.

11.30 – 11.45

COFFEE BREAK & B2B-NETWORKING

11.45 – 13.15

PANEL ON CYBER SECURITY & EID (DIGITAL WALLET)

- **Nikola Modrušan**, Director General of the Directorate for the Development of Government Information Infrastructure and Electronic Services, **Croatian Ministry of Justice and Public Administration**
- **Renato Grgurić**, Head of the Service for Cybersecurity, Cyber Crime Unit of the **Croatian Ministry of Interior**
- **Saša Bilić**, CEO at **APIS IT Croatia**, President at EURITAS
- **Lukas Siebeneicher**, Expert Security Research, **Austrian Ministry of Finance**
- **Markus Vesely**, **A-Trust Austria**
- **Sebastian Zehetbauer**, **youniqx identity** (Austrian State Printing Agency)
- **Mario Friedl**, **7freaks it GmbH**

Q & A

Panel focus: Cybersecurity is of central importance for public administration, in order to ensure the protection of sensitive data, the maintenance of functionality, the trust of citizens and compliance with legal requirements. A comprehensive cybersecurity strategy is therefore essential in order to successfully shape the digital transformation of public administration. Exchange of experience between Croatia and Austria.

13.15 – 14.15**PANEL ON EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES**

Nikola Modrušan, Director General of the Directorate for the Development of Government Information Infrastructure and Electronic Services, **Croatian Ministry of Justice and Public Administration**

Martina Silov, President of **CROAi** (Croatian AI Association)

Helmut Leopold, **AIT Austria Institute of Technology** and GaiaX Austria

Oliver Bernecker, **Know-Center Research Studio Styria**, Austria

Drago Labazan, **Commend Austria**

Q & A

Panel focus: The rapid development of technologies such as artificial intelligence, big data and cloud computing opens up completely new opportunities for companies, administrations and societies. Digital competence is of central importance for public administration in order to be efficient, citizen-orientated and fit for the future. The targeted development of digital skills can optimise administrative processes, develop new services and increase the attractiveness of the administration as an employer. Exchange of experience between Croatia and Austria.

13.45 – 15.15**B2B-NETWORKING LUNCH**

15.30**END OF THE EVENT**
