



Agenda

UfM Conference on Regional Integration and Value Chain Transition

Online - Thursday, 27 April 2023 (Event Language is English)

Time	Agenda Item
10:00 – 10:20	<p>Welcoming Remarks</p> <p>Dr. Abdelkader El Khissassi (delivering the message of the UfM Secretary General) Deputy Secretary General for Economic Development and Employment Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM)</p> <p>H.E. Dr. Ian Borg (video message) Minister for Foreign and European Affairs and Trade The Republic of Malta</p> <p>Keynote Speeches</p> <p>Mrs. Emmanuelle Roue Team Leader Neighbourhood EMPL/E3 International Affairs Unit DG EMPLOYMENT, European Commission</p> <p>Mr. Larabi Jaïdi Senior Fellow The Policy Center for the New South</p>
10:20 – 11:20	<p>Panel I: Economic Integration in times of crisis</p> <p><i>Over the past few years, the entire world experienced multiple disruptions that taxed economic growth and social cohesion. It has become evident that better integrated regions can show more resilience in the face of adversities. What can be done to promote a sustainable and inclusive integration in the Euro-Mediterranean region?</i></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <p>Ms. Clara Gruitrooy Secretary-General Euro-Mediterranean-Arab Association (EMA) e.V.</p> <p>Mr. Roger Albinyana Managing Director European Institute for the Mediterranean</p> <p>Ms. Karima Kadda Touati President and Founder Women Association on Green Economy, Algeria</p> <p>Mrs. Rositsa Stoeva Executive Manager</p>



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	<p><i>Permanent International Secretariat (PERMIS)</i> <i>Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC)</i></p>
11:20 – 11:40	Coffee e-break
11:40 – 12:40	<p>Panel II: What does a Green Transition mean for regional value chains <i>As regional and international value chains respond to the economic pressures and geopolitical fault lines in the aftermath of the recent crises, how do they reflect a recovery scenario where just transition and low-carbon transition are conceived as building blocks of a more inclusive and sustainable global economy?</i></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <p>Dr. Marthese Portelli Chief Executive Officer Malta Chamber of Commerce, Enterprise and Industry</p> <p>Ms. Abigail Mamo Chief Executive Officer Malta Chamber of SMEs</p> <p>Mr. Daniel Borg Chief Executive Officer Gozo Business Chamber CEO</p> <p>Mrs. Francesca Rosso Human Capital Development Expert - Coordinator for Skills Demand Analysis European Training Foundation (ETF)</p> <p>Dr. Mario Brincat (TBC) TradeMalta</p> <p>Ms. Saoussen Ben Romdhane Business Development Officer, Office for MENA region International Trade Center (ITC)</p>
12:40 – 12:45	<p>Closing Remarks Prof. Mohammed Elrazzaz Head of Sector for Economic Integration Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM)</p>