<u>Indicative programme – Competitiveness</u> <u>Council, 27-28 February 2020</u>

Place: Europa building, Brussels

Chairs: Darko Horvat, Minister of Economy, Entrepreneurship and Crafts Blazenka Divjak, Minister of Science and Education

All times are approximate and subject to change

Thursday, 27 February 2020

Internal Market and Industry

From 08.30 Arrivals

+/- 08.45 Doorstep by Minister Horvat

+/- 09.30 Beginning of the Council meeting (Roundtable) Adoption of the agenda

+/- 09.40 AOB: Commission Work Programme 2020 (Internal Market and Industry aspects)

+/- 10.10 European Green Deal – a transition to climate neutral and circular EU industry (<u>public session</u>)

+/- 11.40 Conclusions on Better Regulation "Ensuring competitiveness and sustainable, inclusive growth"

+/- 12.40 Approval of non-legislative A items

+/- 13.00 Lunch debate on Artificial Intelligence

+/- 14.30 European Semester – Single Market Performance Report

+/-AOB: Commission work programme for 2020, findings of the survey on barriers on the Single Market for Czech businesses and conclusions from international conference "The EU Single Market from the perspective of SMEs" (Prague, 16 January 2020), results of the business survey by Lithuania on the single market barriers

+/- 16.30
Press conference (live streaming), Justus Lipsius press room

Friday, 28 February 2020 - Europa building

Research

From 08.45 Arrivals

+/- 09.00 Doorstep by Minister Blazenka Divjak

10.00

Beginning of the Council meeting (roundtable)

+/- 10.05 Annex to the Strategic Innovation Agenda of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) (<u>public session</u>)

+/- 10.35 Strategic approach to international cooperation in R&I

+/- 13.00 Lunch debate on Contribution of Research and Innovation to the Green Deal

+/- 14.30
Press conference (live streaming), Justus Lipsius press room