

## AGENDA

### MEETING XXVIII INVESTMENT COUNCIL (IC)

#### ON THE AVAILABILITY OF THE WORKFORCE AND QUALITY OF SKILLS

**Date: 26 October 2022 (Wednesday)      14h30 – 16h00**

**Palace of Congress, Oval Room**

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| 14:30 – 14:40 | <b>Welcome and Approval of the Agenda</b><br><i>Ms Delina Ibrahimaj, IC Chair/Minister of Finance and Economy</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 14:40 – 14:50 | <b>Presentation “On the Availability of the Working Force and Quality of Skills”</b><br><i>Secretariat of Investment Council</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 14:50 – 15:50 | <b>Focused discussion by IC Members</b><br><br>How to optimise local (public & private) and international efforts to better afford private sector issues related to <u>workforce availability and quality of skills</u> :<br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) <i>Although skill mismatch is a real challenge for MSMEs, local entrepreneurs still allocate limited internal resources to train their employees or subcontract professional training. How to better afford the issue? Should CCIs and business associations take a more proactive role in supporting reskilling and upskilling initiatives e.g. green or digital?! What about public institutions /programs support?</i></li><li>b) <i>Could the current unavailability of skills for labour-intensive sectors (such as manufacturing and tourism) be facilitated through (i) improved effectiveness of channels of identifying job seekers and market demand, (ii) common work on working culture and undeclared work?</i></li><li>c) <i>In a global “workforce crisis” how can Albania strategically compete in keeping an adequate workforce, especially young people? What instruments can be secured to support the growth of strategic sectors? What about the capacities of current institutions to assume targets foreseen by policy objectives including EU standards?</i></li></ul> |
| 15:50 – 16:00 | <b>Approval of the Recommendations - Closing Remarks</b><br><i>Ms Delina Ibrahimaj, IC Chair/Minister of Finance and Economy</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |