



INSTITUTE FOR SUSTAINABLE TRANSITION AND DEVELOPMENT

## *Roundtable*

# “JUST TRANSITION AND INDUSTRIAL MODERNISATION IN BULGARIA”

*27<sup>th</sup> September 2021*

*14:00 – 17:00 CET / 15:00 – 18:00 EET*

### **Concept:**

*The roundtable will discuss the balance between climate action, industrial modernisation and just transition in Bulgaria. The challenge is how to use the large EU financial support for propelling advanced economic development rather than just using EU funds only for limited mitigation of the impact of the transition. The roundtable will bring together leading figures from the European Commission, Government, trade unions and business. The roundtable will prepare key conclusions that should assist the policymaking process and the preparation of the territorial plans for the most affected regions.*





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14:00 – 15:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OPENING SESSION</b></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> <i>Rumen Radev, Vice-Chairman of the Bulgarian Industrial Capital Association and Member of the Management Board of ISTD</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dobri Yarkov, Chairman of the Management Board of ISTD and Rector of Trakia University</li> <li>• Atanas Pekanov, Deputy Prime Minister for EU Funds Management</li> <li>• Galab Donev, Deputy Prime Minister for Economic and Social Policies and Minister of Labor and Social Policy</li> <li>• Kiril Petkov, Minister of Economy</li> <li>• Andrey Zhivkov, Minister of Energy</li> <li>• Sharan Burrow, General Secretary of the International Trade Union Confederation</li> <li>• Luca Visentini, General Secretary of the European Trade Union Confederation</li> <li>• Markus J. Beyrer - Director General of BUSINESSEUROPE</li> <li>• Pascal Bolo, President of SGI Europe</li> <li>• Plamen Dimitrov, President of CITUB and Member of the Management Board of ISTD</li> <li>• Dimitar Manolov, President of Podkrepa CL</li> </ul>
15:00 – 16:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>HIGH-LEVEL SESSION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>“Recovery through green and digital energy and industrial transformation – Next Generation EU - just transition of the society, economy and jobs”</b></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> <i>Julian Popov, Member of the Management Board of ISTD</i></p> <p><b><u>Key note speech</u></b>          Frans Timmermans, Executive Vice-President for the European Green Deal (participation is confirmed)</p> <p><b><u>Q&amp;A Session with FransTimmermans - Government Perspective, Trade Unions Perspective, Employers Perspective</u></b></p>
16:00 – 16:30	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COLLABORATIVE SESSION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Discussion of the results of the project “Technical support to the preparation to the Territorial Just Transition Plan in the Republic of Bulgaria”</b></p> <p><b>Chair:</b> <i>Anton Ivanov, Member of the Management Board of ISTD</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PricewaterhouseCoopers Presentation</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Q&amp;A Session</u></b></p>
16:30 – 17:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CLOSING REMARKS</b></p> <p><b>Chairs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Anton Ivanov, Member of the Management Board of ISTD</i></li> <li>• <i>Plamen Dimitrov, President of CITUB and Member of the Management Board of ISTD</i></li> </ul>