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**Subject:** Speaking invitation to Commissioner for OSCE Business Conference "Connectivity for Commerce and Investment" - Berlin, 18 May 2016

Dear [REDACTED],  
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The Federal Ministry Foreign Office of Germany has approached the European Commission Representation in Berlin to inquire about the possibility of participation of Commissioner Cañete at a conference held on the occasion of the German Chairmanship of Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe.

The conference, a draft programme of which I have attached to this email, takes place in Berlin on May 18 and 19 of this year.

The organizers would be honoured to have the Commissioner as a speaker in the opening panel titled "Economic Connectivity – Opportunities for Cooperation and Security." The opening panel is scheduled for **11:00-13:00 o'clock on May 18**. The DE Foreign Ministry expects high-level (i.e. ministerial/vice-ministerial) participation from all 57 OSCE Member States.

Apart from the opening panel, the organisers would also like to invite the Commissioner to sit on one of the thematic panels (with the theme "Energy security and its role for stability and growth") to be held later that day, from 14:30 till 16:00.

Would you please be so kind to have the Commissioner consider his participation at the said event? We would appreciate very much if you could inform us about his decision at your earliest convenience, so that we could approach other members of the college, should the Commissioner choose not to attend the event.

Yours sincerely,

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