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Economic Future, with special emphasis on the role of the ICC, was held in Slovenia in the framework of the annual International conference Bled Strategic Forum.

At that panel, the ICC prosecutor Madame Bensouda stressed that the ICC should be also seen as investment in the future of women and humanity as a whole. We fully agree with her and believe furthermore that the court should also be seen as an investment in establishing and upholding the rule of law. We have to strive towards universality of the Rome statute and call upon states to ratify or accede to it.

Slovenia is doing its share in establishing the era of accountability. It is my pleasure to inform you that Slovenia already implemented the Kampala amendments on war crimes and aggression in its national legislation in 2012, ratified the amendments on 15 July 2013 and deposited the Instrument of ratification thereof on 25 September 2013.

With this Slovenia fulfilled its pledge made at the High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Rule of Law held on 24 September 2012.

We call upon all states to follow our example and enable universality of the Rome statute and activation of the Kampala amendments. Finally, allow me to inform you that Slovenia, together with Liechtenstein, intends to hold a regional seminar on the ratification and implementation of the Kampala amendments in spring 2014.