

21 APRIL 2005

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE EU DRUGS ACTION PLAN (2005-2008)

COMMITTEE OF CIVIL LIBERTIES, JUSTICE AND HOME AFFAIRS

**60, rue Wiertz - Bruxelles
Building Altiero Spinelli
Room ASP**

OBJECTIVE

In relation with the follow up of the resolution that was approved by the European parliament on 15 December 2004, (Catania report) the goal of the audience is to examine how the new EU Drug Action Plan (2005-2008), to be approved in June 2005, will obtain the objectives of reducing significantly the prevalence of drug consumption among the population and reduce the social and health risks that are related to the consumption and trafficking of illegal drugs.

PROGRAMME

Visitors are requested to show up at least before 8.45 at the entrance of the Altiero Spinelli with a valid passport. The EP has no special parking facilities, but parking places are found around the building. Visitors need to have registered on beforehand. Please contact encod@glo.be for registration formulars (before 15 April 2005)

9.00 – 9.15 Opening Remarks

M. Jean-Marie CAVADA (France) – Chair of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs of the European Parliament

M. Franco FRATTINI (Italy) - European Commissioner of Justice and Home Affairs

M. Mars DI BARTOLOMEO (Luxembourg) – Minister of Health, Luxembourg Presidency of the EU

9.16 – 11.15 I. Social and health problems related to drugs.

M. Bob KEIZER (Netherlands) – Pompidou Group, Council of Europe

M. Paul GRIFFITH (United Kingdom) - EMCDDA

M. Massimo BARRA (Italy) - International Red Cross and Red Crescent Federation

M. Luc BEAUCOURT (Belgium) - University Clinic of Antwerp

Mme Pauline METAAL (Netherlands) - Transnational Institute

M. Marcel Van HEX (Belgium) – Regional Centre on Drugs and Alcohol Addiction, Limburg

M. Joep OOMEN (Netherlands) – European Coalition for Just and Effective Drug Policies

Debate

11.16 – 12.15 II. Drugs trafficking and the fight against organised transnational crime

M. Gerd LEERS (Netherlands) – Mayor of Maastricht

M. Paolo BORGNA (Italy) - Procurer of the Republic of Italy

M. Umberto SANTINO (Italy) - Centro Impastato, Palermo.

M. Franco CORLEONE (Italy) – Forum Droghe

M. Marco PERDUCA (Italy) - International Antiprohibitionist League

Debate

12.16– 12.30 the position of the European Commission. Conclusions

M. Carel EDWARDS (United Kingdom) – Head of the Anti-Drugs Coordination Unit of the European Commission

M Giusto CATANIA (Italy) - Rapporteur of the LIBE Committee

PRESS CONFERENCE

Following the hearing a Press Conference will be organised in the European Parliament Press Room

13.00 – 13.30 Press Conference with Giusto Catania, and representatives from civil society organisations.

LUNCH

It is possible to have low budget lunch in the European Parliament restaurant from 13.30 onwards. You can find restaurants on the place du Luxembourg (just behind the EP)

MEETING FOR ENCOD MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATES

14.00 – 16.00 Meeting in Room A 8F388 (that is Spinelli building, sector F, 8th floor) for all ENCOD Members and other interested people to discuss the hearing and the next steps.

HOTEL INFORMATION BRUSSELS

This is a list of non-expensive hotels that are all relatively close to the European Parliament building or the MIDI Train Station.

For more information on these and other hotels, please visit : www.octopustravel.be

Close to European Parliament

HOTEL DERBY

27 rooms

Price : Double room + Breakfast : 60-65 EURO

24, Avenue de Tervueren

1040 Brussel

Tel. + 32 (0)2 – 7330819

Fax. + 32(0)2 – 7337475

E-mail : hotel.derby@belgacom.net

HOTEL LAMBEAU

24 rooms

Price : Double room + Breakfast : 71 - 95 EURO

150 Avenue Lambeau

1200 Brussel

Tel. + 32 (0)2 – 7325170

Fax. + 32(0)2 – 7325490

E-mail : info@hotellambeau.com

<http://www.hotellambeau.com>

HOTEL LAMBERMONT

69 rooms

Price : Double room + Breakfast : 125 EURO

322 Boulevard Lambermont

1030 Brussel

Tel. + 32 (0)2 – 2425595

Fax. + 32(0)2 – 2153613

E-mail : info@lambermont-hotel.com

<http://www.lambermont-hotel.com>

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HOTEL GALIA

24 rooms

Price : Double room + Breakfast : 62 – 75 EURO

15-16, Vossenplein
1000 Brussel
Tel. + 32 (0)2 – 5024243
Fax. + 32(0)2 – 5027619
E-mail : hotel.galia@skynet.be
www.hotelgalia.com

HOTEL BARRY

32 rooms
Price : Double room + Breakfast : 57 - 67 EURO
25, place Anneessens
1000 Brussel
Tel. + 32 (0)2 – 5112795
Fax. + 32(0)2 – 5141465
E-mail : hotel-barry@skynet.be

HOTEL WINDSOR

24 rooms
Price : Double room + Breakfast : 62 - 80 EURO
13, Place Rouppe
1000 Brussel
Tel. + 32 (0)2 – 5112014
Fax. + 32(0)2 – 5140942
E-mail : hotel-windsor@skynet.be

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

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If you come by car, make sure you be in good time to find a parking place, you can find a map of Rue Wiertz at <http://www19.mappy.com/sid/Z8zsjsT2k3Mn21w/Z?out=2;xsl=4;>

Pictures of the European Parliament can be found at:
<http://www.europarl.eu.int/abc/visit/brux/orientation.htm>

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