

# Excerpts from the Calendar

06 - 12 FEBRUARY 2012

## Activities

## Visits

### MONDAY – 06 FEBRUARY

Ms Catherine ASHTON travels to Latin America (6-10/2, Brazil, Mexico)

M. Siim KALLAS reçoit M. Jean TODT, Président de la Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA)

Mr Antonio TAJANI delivers the opening speech at the X Edition of Assolombarda MCE -Mobility Conference (Milan)

Mr Antonio TAJANI participates in the Conference "2003–2012, dieci anni di infrastrutture e trasporti per lo sviluppo del Paese: cosa si è fatto e cosa rimane da fare" organised by the Chamber of Commerce of Milan (Milan)

Mr Andris PIEBALGS receives the ESA-IO Delegation led by Mr Sindiso Ngwenya Secretary-General of the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa

Mr Andris PIEBALGS receives Ms Enikő Győri, Minister of State for European Affairs of Hungary.

Mr John DALI in London: visits EMA (European Medicines Agency) and meets Mr Andrew LANSLEY, UK Secretary of State for Health, and Mr Jim PAICE, UK Minister of State for Agriculture and Food

Mr Günther OETTINGER in Germany: delivers a speech at the conference "E-World 2012 - Führungstreffen Energie" (Essen); delivers a speech at the Quo Vadis 2012 event (Berlin)

Ms Connie HEDEGAARD presents the U.N. Global Sustainability final Panel Report at the FN-forbundet (Copenhagen)

Ms Connie HEDEGAARD receives Mr Norman BAKER, UK Under Secretary for Transport

Ms Connie HEDEGAARD participates in the Brussels presentation of the U.N. Global Sustainability final Panel Report with Mr Brice LALONDE and Mr Janos PASZTOR

Mr Štefan FÜLE receives Mr Igor DODON, Head of the Moldovan Socialist Party

Mr László ANDOR in New-York and Washington 6-7/2. He participates in the UN Commission for Social Development Panel on "Emerging Issues: Youth-Poverty and Employment" (NY, 6). He meets with Ms Christine LAGARDE, IMF Managing-Director and delivers a speech at Georgetown University: "Impact of the Euro Crisis on Employment: Challenges and Potential Policy Responses" (Washington, 7).

Ms Cecilia MALMSTRÖM participates in a working Lunch with Asian Ambassadors to the EU (SAFESA) (Brussels)

Mr Dacian CIOLOȘ in Germany: joint meeting with Dr Hermann OONKO AEIKENS, Minister of Agriculture and Environment of Saxony-Anhalt, Mr Frank KUPFER, Minister of Environment and Agriculture of Saxony and Mr Jürgen REINHOLZ, Minister of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and

Nature Protection of the Free State of Thuringia (Cobbelsdorf); visit of an exploitation; debate with representatives of agricultural associations in Saxony-Anhalt, Saxony and Thuringia (Schkeuditz)

## TUESDAY – 07 FEBRUARY

Mr José Manuel Durão BARROSO receives Jacques Delors, former President of the European Commission

Ms Viviane REDING receives Mr Andrea RICCARDI, Italian Minister for cooperation and Integration

Mr Joaquín ALMUNIA receives Mr Egemen Bağış, Minister of EU Affairs of Turkey (Brussels)

Ms Neelie KROES attends launch of eSafety label (Brussels)

Mr Antonio TAJANI participates in the meeting with European Parliament Intergroup on SME about Internationalization of SME (Brussels)

Mr Antonio TAJANI receives the Italian Ministry for Public Education and Research Francesco Profumo

Mr Antonio TAJANI signs the programme "50.000 Tourists" with Mr Pavlos Geroulanos, Greek Minister for Culture and Tourism (Brussels)

Mr Andris PIEBALGS meets with the International Development Committee of the House of Commons (Brussels)

M. Michel BARNIER rencontre les représentants de l'Association Française de l'Economie Numérique (ACSEL) (Paris)

M. Michel BARNIER reçoit M. Martin MALVY, Président de la Région Midi-Pyrénées

Ms Androulla VASSILIOU receives Mr Francesco PROFUMO, Italian Minister for Education & Research

Mr John DALLI receives Ms Nicola STRUGEO, Deputy First Minister of Scotland and Cabinet Secretary for Health, Wellbeing and Cities Strategy

Mr John DALLI receives members of the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies

Mr John DALLI addresses the Animal Welfare Intergroup (Brussels)

Ms Máire GEOGHEGAN-QUINN launches the Strategic Research Agenda of the Joint Programme in Neurodegenerative Disease Research, at the Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences (Brussels)

Ms Maria DAMANAKI meets with Europêche (Association of National Organisations of Fishery Enterprises in the European Union)

Ms Maria DAMANAKI meets with Prof Manuel PINTO DE ABREU, Portuguese General Secretary of the Sea

Ms Maria DAMANAKI receives Mr Leonidas CHRYSANTHOPOULOS, General Secretary of the Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation

Ms Kristalina GEORGIEVA in The Netherlands: meeting with Mr Ivo Willem Opstelten, Minister of Security and Justice of the Netherlands; meeting with Mr Uri Rosenthal, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands; meeting with Mr Ben Knapen, Minister for European Affairs and International Cooperation of the Netherlands; meeting with Ms Ekaterina Trendafilova, International Criminal Court Judge

Mr Günther OETTINGER delivers a speech at the High-level stakeholder conference on the "Energy Roadmap 2050" hosted by Danish Presidency and the European Commission (Brussels)

Mr Günther OETTINGER receives Mr Francesco PROFUMO, Minister for Education, Universities, and Research

Mr Günther OETTINGER receives Mr Stefan BIRKNER, Lower Saxony's

Mr Janez POTOČNIK delivers a speech entitled "the EU's approach to Rio+20" at the opening session of the "European civil society on the road to Rio+20" conference (ESSC, Brussels)

Mr Janez POTOČNIK, Mr Staffan NILSSON (EESC President) and Mr Brice LALONDE (Executive Coordinator, UN Conference on Sustainable Development 2012) hold a press conference "GO sustainable, BE responsible - on the road towards Rio" (VIP salon, ESSC, Atrium 5, ESSC, Brussels). To register, please contact:

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Mr Andris PIEBALGS participates to the European Economic and Social Committee Conference "Go Sustainable Be Responsible! EU Civil Society on the road to Rio+20" (Brussels)

Mr John DALLI participates in the joint event with EP on financial advice to consumers (Brussels)

Ms Maria DAMANAKI participates in a workshop on the mapping of the seabed (EP, Brussels)

Minister of Energy and Environment

Ms Connie HEDEGAARD participates in the conference on the Energy Roadmap 2050 (Charlemagne, Brussels)

Mr Štefan FÜLE receives Mr Zelejkó KOMSIC, Chair of the Presidency of Bosnia-Herzegovina

Mr Štefan FÜLE receives Mr Egemen Bađış, Turkish Minister for the EU Affairs and Chief Negotiator

Ms Cecilia MALMSTRÖM receives Mr Andrea Riccardi, Italian Minister of International Cooperation and Integration Policies

Mr Dacian CIOLOȘ receives Dr. Kandeh K. YUMKELLA, Director-General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)

## WEDNESDAY – 08 FEBRUARY

Mr Siim KALLAS receives Mr Sam PALMISANO, CEO of IBM

Mr Siim KALLAS delivers a keynote speech at the European Rail Awards (Brussels)

Mr Antonio TAJANI delivers the speech "Comment la politique de cohesion 2014 -2020 peut - elle prendre en compte la dimension insulaire de l'UE?" at the Conference of Peripheral and Maritime regions of Europe (Brussels)

Mr Antonio TAJANI receives Dr Kandeh K. Yumkella, Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) (Brussels)

Mr Antonio TAJANI receives IBM Board: Mr Sam J. Palmisano, President and Mr Harry Van Dorenmalen, Chairman Europe and Mr Chris Padilla

Mr Antonio TAJANI receives Ms Helle Thorning-Schmidt, Danish President of the EU Council

Mr Antonio TAJANI participates in a dinner with Apostolic Nuncio at Comece (Brussels)

Mr Janez POTOČNIK participates in the "4th EU-China Dialogue on Environmental Policy at Ministerial Level" meeting (Brussels)

Mr Janez POTOČNIK delivers the closing speech at the Seminar "Sustainable Consumption and Production as a vehicle for Green Growth" on the results of SWITCH Asia and its applicability to other developing regions (Silken Berlaymont, Brussels)

Mr Andris PIEBALGS attends the Official European launch of the UN Year of Sustainable Energy for all (Brussels)

Mr Andris PIEBALGS receives Mr Kandeh K. Yumkella, Director-General of United Nations Industrial Development Organization

M. Michel BARNIER participe à la cérémonie des 20 ans des Jeux Olympiques d'Albertville (Albertville)

Mr John DALLI receives Ms Dominique REINICHE, President of Coca Cola Europe Group

Mr John DALLI receives Professor Michel KOMAJDA, President of the European Society of Cardiology

Mr John DALLI receives Ms Monique GOYENS, Director General of BEUC (Bureau Européen des Unions de Consommateurs)

Ms Máire GEOGHEGAN-QUINN receives Mr Samuel J Palmisano, Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer, IBM Corporation

Mr Günther OETTINGER receives Mr Thomas WEBEL, Minister for Regional Development and Transport of the Saxony-Anhalt

Ms Connie HEDEGAARD receives the Board of Directors of the Danish

### Réunion de la Commission

Ms Maria DAMANAKI speaks at the Conference "Shaping the future of the Common Fisheries Policy" (EP, Brussels)

Energy Industries Federation

Ms Connie HEDEGAARD receives Mr Kandeh K. YUMKELLA, UNIDO Director General

Ms Cecilia MALMSTRÖM in Stockholm: delivers a speech at a seminar on Organised Crime in Europe organised by the European Commission representation in Stockholm

**THURSDAY – 09 FEBRUARY**

Ms Viviane REDING delivers a keynote speech at the European Insolvency & Restructuring Congress (Brussels)

Mr Joaquín ALMUNIA reçoit M. Frédéric Mitterand, Ministre français de la Culture

Mr Siim KALLAS receives Mr Aivis RONIS, Latvian Minister of Transport

Ms Neelie KROES receives Mr Frédéric MITTERRAND, French Minister of Culture

Mr Andris PIEBALGS in Germany

M. Michel BARNIER se rend en Espagne pour conclure son tour des capitales européennes (9-10/2): A Madrid, il rencontre le chef de gouvernement espagnol M. Mariano RAJOY, M. Luis de GUINDOS, Ministre de l'économie, M. Íñigo MENDEZ de VIGO, Secrétaire d'Etat aux affaires européennes, M. José Manuel GARGIA-MARGALLO, Ministre des Affaires étrangères, M. Cristóbal MONTORO, Ministre des finances et le gouverneur de la banque centrale d'Espagne, M. Miguel Ángel FERNANDEZ ORDONEZ. M. Michel BARNIER participe également à un workshop avec les fonctionnaires espagnols chargés de l'application des règles du marché intérieur et prononce un discours au Forum Economía Nueva.

EU-India Summit in New Delhi (9-10/2)

Mr Olli RHEN at the ECB Governing Council meeting (Frankfurt)

Mr John DALLI attends the IMCO Committee Hearing (EP, Brussels)

M. Michel BARNIER se rend ensuite à Alicante pour une visite de l'Observatoire européen de la contrefaçon (OHMI)

Ms Androulla VASSILIOU receives Mr John FAHEY, President of the World Anti-Doping Agency

Ms Androulla VASSILIOU receives Mr Frédéric MITTERRAND, French Minister of Culture and Communication

Mr Janusz LEWANDOWSKI in Finland (9-10/2). On 9/2: meeting with Mr Jyri HÄKÄMIIES, Minister of Economic Affairs; meeting with Mr Jari KOSKINEN, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry. On 10/2: meeting with Mr Alexander STUBB, Minister for European Affairs and Foreign Trade; meeting with members of the Grand (EU) Committee at the House of Parliament

Mr Maroš ŠEFČOVIČ on official visit to Bulgaria : meeting with Mr Nickolay MLADENOV, Minister of Foreign Affairs; meeting with Ms Tsetska TSACHEVA, President of the National Assembly; speech on the "Main priorities of the European Commission Working Programme 2012" at the Sitting of the Committee on European Affairs and Oversight of the European Funds, National Assembly

Mr John DALLI receives members of the senior management of Cancer Research UK

Ms Máire GEOGHEGAN-QUINN in Dublin: visits Science Foundation Ireland to meet with the Chairman and the Board; presents CREST Awards (programme rewarding excellence in Science, Technology, Mathematics & Engineering) at Dublin City University (DCU); meets with Professor Kieran Murphy, President of the Medical Council of Ireland; launches the Irish Academy of Medical Sciences, Royal College of Surgeons

Ms Maria DAMANAKI presents the Common Fisheries Policy Reform at an event organised by the Hellenic Centre for Marine Research (Athens)

Ms Kristalina GEORGIEVA travels to Turkey: meeting with Mr Egemen Bağış, Minister for EU Affairs of Turkey; meeting with Red Crescent representatives; meeting with Mr Beşir Atalay, Deputy Prime Minister of Turkey; meeting with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Mr Günther OETTINGER and Mr Štefan FÜLE on official visit to Istanbul, Turkey

Mr László ANDOR opens the expert conference on the 2011 Review on Employment and Social Developments in Europe (Hotel Bloom, Brussels)

Mr László ANDOR participates in the Signing Ceremony of the European Charter for Social and Societal initiatives at Railway Stations (Hotel Renaissance, Brussels)

## FRIDAY – 10 FEBRUARY

Meeting of Education, Youth, Culture and Sport (EYCS)

Mr László ANDOR delivers an opening speech at a seminar "European Solidarity as a driving force behind the development of Europe's territories - What are the challenges for EU Cohesion Policy 2014-2020?" (COR, Brussels)

Ms Viviane REDING in Berlin: meets with Ms Ursula VON DER LEYEN, German Federal Minister of Labour and Social Affairs (08:20); delivers a keynote speech at the EVP conference on 'Frauen in Führungspositionen der Wirtschaft'; meets with 'DAZ 30 Frauenförderung in Deutschland'

Mr Joaquín ALMUNIA participe à la conférence "New Frontiers of Antitrust" (3rd International Concurrences Conference) (Paris)

Mr Siim KALLAS receives Mr Jean-Cyril SPINETTA, President of Air France / KLM

Mr Antonio TAJANI announces the Italian winner of the Galileo Drawing Competition (Rome)

Mr Maroš ŠEFČOVIČ delivers a lecture at the College of Europe on "The Lisbon Treaty - Two Years after its Entry into Force" (Bruges)

Ms Androulla VASSILIOU receives Ms Kristin HALVORSEN, Minister of Education of Norway and Mr George DEMOSTHENOUS, Minister of Education and Culture of Cyprus (trilateral meeting)

Mr Günther OETTINGER in Berlin: meets with Mr Petr NECAS, Czech Prime Minister

Mr. László ANDOR delivers the closing address at TUC Congress (Trades Union Congress) (London)

Ms Cecilia MALMSTRÖM participates in a panel discussion on integration, civil rights and anti-discrimination enforcement with Mr Erik Ullenhag, Swedish Minister for Integration, and Mr William Kennard, U.S Ambassador to the EU (Brussels)

## SATURDAY – 11 FEBRUARY

Mrs Androulla VASSILIOU gives opening speech at the EU Studies Fair 2012

Mrs Androulla VASSILIOU attends International Film Festival in Berlin (11-13/2)

## SUNDAY – 12 FEBRUARY

# FEBRUARY MEETINGS

13-16/2 European Parliament Plenary (Strasbourg)

14/2 Meeting of Transport, Telecommunications and Energy Council (TTE Energy)

17/2 Meeting in the Council for Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs (EPSCO)

20-21/2 Meeting of Competitiveness Council (COMPET)

20/2 Eurogroup

21/2 Meeting of Economic and Financial Affairs Council (ECOFIN)

23/2 Meeting of Agriculture and Fisheries Council (AGRI-FISH) - CANCELLED

27/2 Meeting of Foreign Affairs Council (FAC)

28/2 Meeting of General Affairs Council (GAC)

## MARCH MEETINGS

1-2/3 Meeting of the European Council

8-9/3 Meeting of Justice and Home Affairs (JHA)

9/3 Meeting of Environment Council (ENVI)

9-10/3 Gymnich - Informal meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs (FAC) in Copenhagen

12-15/3 European Parliament Plenary in Strasbourg

12/3 Eurogroup

13/3 Meeting of Economic and Financial Affairs Council (ECOFIN)

16/3 Meeting of Foreign Affairs Council (FAC trade)

19-20/3 Meeting of Agriculture and Fisheries Council (AGRI-FISH)

22-23/3 Meeting of Transport, Telecommunications and Energy Council (TTE)

22/3 Meeting of Foreign Affairs Council (FAC Defence)

23/3 Meeting of Foreign Affairs Council (FAC)

26/3 Meeting of General Affairs Council (GAC)

28-29/3 European Parliament Mini Plenary

30-31/3 Informal meeting of Ministers for Economic and Financial Affairs (ECOFIN) in Copenhagen

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