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Emne: Invitation to the OECD High-Level Parliamentary Seminar, 2 October 2013 - Denmark

Message from: Jennifer Bisping, Deputy Head of Public Affairs, OECD

Dear Ms. Merete Riisager,
The OECD would like to invite you and your fellow members of the Gender Equality Committee to the next OECD High-Level Parliamentary Seminar, which will take place in Paris on Wednesday 2 October 2013. Please note that the seminar is scheduled back-to-back with the enlarged annual debate of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe on the activities of the OECD, which will be held on October 1 in Strasbourg.

On this occasion, the High-Level Parliamentary Seminar will focus on the latest economic and employment outlooks, an update on the OECD's work on BEPS (base erosion and profit-shifting), migration, well-being, and transparency and integrity in lobbying. Please find attached a draft programme, which will also be posted and regularly updated on www.oecd.org/parliamentarians.

The seminar is open to Members of Parliament as well as staffers. It offers an exceptional opportunity for parliamentarians to exchange views with their peers and OECD experts on a range of key issues.

We would be very grateful if you could share the invitation with your fellow members of the Gender Equality Committee who might be interested in attending.

We hope you and your colleagues will be able to join us for this event. If you would like to sign up or if you have any queries you can contact myself or my colleague Silvia Terrón; [silvia.terron@oecd.org; Tel: +33 (0) 1 45 24 95 72].

Furthermore, I would like to draw your attention to some of the recent events held between the OECD and parliamentarians:

- On 5 June 2013, the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe's Sub-Committee on relations with the OECD and EBRD exchanged views with the OECD around the Organisation's work on BEPS, tax transparency and the OECD's New Approaches to Economic Challenges (NAEC) initiative.

- The OECD held a High-Level Parliamentary Seminar hosted by the Swedish Parliament in Stockholm on 17-18 June 2013 entitled "From Economic Turbulence to Inclusive Growth: Lessons from the Nordic Model?" This is the second OECD Parliamentary Seminar "on the road" - a series of annual seminars held in a member country, in addition to the two seminars held in Paris. The Seminar was attended by 45 Members of Parliament and 17 staffers from Austria, Belgium, Chile, Czech Republic, Germany, Italy, Israel, Japan, Latvia, Luxembourg, Mexico, Netherlands, Portugal, Serbia, Slovenia and Sweden; as well as the IMF. The presentations of the speakers can be found on the Seminar's web page. A summary of the sessions will also be available shortly.

- On 18 June the Director of the OECD Trade and Agriculture Directorate, Ken Ash, addressed the European Parliament International Trade Committee to present OECD work on Trade in Value Added. For more information about this joint OECD-WTO initiative on how to measure the value added by each country in the production of goods and services that are consumed worldwide please go to this website.

- Members of Parliament participated in the [OECD Forum on Transparency and Integrity in Lobbying](#) held in Paris on 27-28 June. The Forum discussed how to win back trust in the decision-making process and the key challenges in designing and implementing a system that ensures compliance in a cost-effective way. More information about the OECD work on lobbying can be found [here](#).

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