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(Times indicated below are in CET)

DRAFT AGENDA

Monday, 12 February 2024

- 12.00 - 14.30** Registration of participants from national Parliaments
Registration desk “Event Participants and Guests”, Accreditation Center, SPAAK Building
- 12.00 - 14.30** Political group meetings:
12.30 - 14.30 EPP (lunch)
12.00 - 14.00 S&D (PHS 7C50)
12.30 - 14.30 I&D (SPINELLI 7H1)
- 14.30 – 15.45** **Opening session:**
Meeting room: Hemicycle (SPAAG, 3rd floor)
- Welcoming words by **Roberta METSOLA**, President of the European Parliament
 - Welcoming words by **Eliane TILLIEUX**, President of the Belgian House of representatives
 - Welcoming words by **Stephanie D'HOSE**, President of the Belgian Senate

 - Key opening remarks by **Ursula VON DER LEYEN** (tbc), President of the European Commission
 - Key opening remarks by **Charles MICHEL** (tbc), President of the European Council
- 15.45 – 15.50** **Family photo**
Hemicycle (SPAAG, 3rd floor)

15.50 - 18.50 Interparliamentary Committee Meetings (in parallel)

Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (ECON)

Meeting room: ANTALL 4Q2

Co-chaired by **Irene TINAGLI**, Chair of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs of the European Parliament and **Stefaan VAN HECKE**, Chair of the Committee on Economic Affairs, Consumer Protection and Digital Agenda, Belgian House of representatives.

Topic: **Euro@25: What's next for the EMU?**

Panel I: Exchange of views with invited academics

Introductory remarks by

***Lucrezia Reichlin**, Member of the Monetary Expert Panel of the ECON Committee, Professor of economics at the London Business School and an external fellow at Bruegel.*

***Daniel Gros**, Member of the Monetary Expert Panel of the ECON Committee and Distinguished Fellow of the Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS)*

Exchange of views among Members of national Parliaments and Members of the European Parliament

Panel II: Exchange of views with invited policy makers

Introductory remarks by

Representative(s) of EU institution (tbc)

***Gita Gopinath** (tbc), First Deputy Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund*

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Committee on Employment and Social Affairs (EMPL)

Meeting room: ANTALL 6Q2

Co-chaired by **Dragoş PÎSLARU**, Chair of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs of the European Parliament and **Cécile CORNET**, Chair of the Committee on Social Affairs, Employment and Pensions, Belgian House of representatives.

Session I: How to best promote social investment in the context of the EU's reviewed governance framework and fiscal rules?

Introductory remarks by

***Anton Hemerijck** (tbc), Professor of Political Science and Sociology at the European University Institute, Florence, Member of the High-Level Group on the future of social protection and of the welfare state in the EU*

Chair of EMCO/SPC (tbc)

Representative from a national Parliament (tbc)

Exchange of views among Members of national Parliaments and Members of the European Parliament

Session II: The role of upward social convergence in the context of diverging inflation, debt challenges and increased cost of living

Introductory remarks by

***Enrico Giovannini** (tbc), Professor Università degli Studi di Roma Tor Vergata*

***Nicolas Schmit** (tbc), Commissioner Jobs and Social Rights*

Belgian Presidency Parliament representative (tbc)

Exchange of views among Members of national Parliaments and Members of the European Parliament

Committee on Budgets (BUDG)

Meeting room: ANTALL 4Q1

Co-chaired by **Johan VAN OVERTVELDT**, Chair of the Committee on Budget of the European Parliament and **Marie-Christine MARGHEM**, Chair of the Committee on Finance and Budget, Belgian House of representatives.

Session I: Lessons learned from NextGenerationEU: national and EU perspectives on how the EU budget can react in times of crisis

Introductory remarks by

***Johannes Hahn**, Commissioner for Budget and Administration*

Speaker to be confirmed

Exchange of views among Members of national Parliaments and Members of the European Parliament

Session II: The budget and the prospect of enlargement – options to reform the EU's financial, budgetary and regulatory resources

Introductory remarks by

***Maroš Šefčovič** (tbc), European Commission Executive Vice-President for European Green Deal, Interinstitutional Relations and Foresight*

Speaker to be confirmed

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19.00 – 21.00 Walking Dinner

Member's Restaurant (SPINELLI, ground floor)

Co-hosted by the EP President and the Belgian Presidency

Tuesday, 13 February 2024

9.00 – 10.45 Plenary session I: Strategic investments and reforms in view of enhancing EU's growth potential

Meeting room: Hemicycle (SPAANK, 3rd floor)

*Co-chaired by: **Othmar KARAS**, First Vice-President of the European Parliament and **Mark DEMESMAEKER**, President of the Transversal Affairs Committee of the Belgian Senate*

Introductory remarks by

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Exchange of views among Members of national Parliaments and Members of the European Parliament in the presence of representatives from the Committee of the Regions and the European Economic and Social Committee

10.45 – 11.15 Coffee break

Foyer of the Hemicycle (SPAANK, 3rd floor)

11.15 – 13.00 Plenary session II: The EU single market for services, including tax harmonization and avoidance

Meeting room: Hemicycle (SPAANK, 3rd floor)

*Co-chaired by: **Dita CHARANZOVÁ**, Vice-President of the European Parliament and Speaker from the Belgian Parliament (TBC)*

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13.00 – 14.30 Walking Lunch

Grand Cafe Spinelli (SPINELLI, ground floor)