

Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum

DRAFT PROGRAMME

MONDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2009

venue : Centre Albert Borchette, Rue Froissart 36, 1040 Brussels

08:30-9:30 Registration of participants, welcome coffee

OPENING SESSION 09:30-10:00

09:30 Opening of the EaP Civil Society Forum
(by **Mrs. Catherine Lalumière**)

09:35-10:00 Welcoming Speeches

- Mr Bruno Dethomas, Principal Adviser, Head of the Eastern Partnership Task Force, European Commission
- Mr Björn Lyrvall, Political Director, Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs (EU Presidency)
- Mr Filip Hamro-Drotz, President of the External Relations Section, the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)

10:00 Division into 4 working groups according to the Steering Committee proposal
(participants move to the rooms, where coffee & drinks are offered)

10:30-11:00 Presentations of the activities of the EaP Thematic Platforms, by the Platform Coordinators, to the respective CSF working groups; short Q&A session.

11:00-13:00 Parallel work on the recommendations in the working groups with the assistance of EaP CSF facilitators

13:00-14:30 Networking lunch offered by the European Commission

14:30-18:30 Parallel work on the recommendations in the working groups
(coffee and refreshments are offered in the rooms)

END OF WORKING SESSION

19:00 Dinner-cocktail offered by the EESC
Venue: The Atrium 6 of Jacques Delors building, 99-101 rue Belliard, 1040 Brussels

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TUESDAY, 17 NOVEMBER 2009

Venue : Square Brussels Conference Centre, 8 Rue du Musée, 1000 Brussels

09:00 Welcome coffee

09:30-12:00 Presentation of the recommendations adopted by the working groups.
Discussion & adoption of the recommendations by the Forum, election of coordinators of the working groups of the EaP CSF

12:00-13:30 Lunch offered by the EU Presidency – in Square Brussels

CLOSING SESSION 13:30-14:30

13:30-14:30 Final session of the Forum
Speeches of

- **Mme Benita Ferrero-Waldner, Commissioner for External Relations and the European Neighbourhood Policy**
- **Mr Carl Bildt, Swedish Minister of Foreign Affairs (EU Presidency)**
- **Mr Mario Sepi, President of the EESC**

Representatives of the EU institutions receive recommendations of the Forum

14:30 Closure of the Forum