

Moving the EU forward: Priorities of the German EU Presidency

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Thursday, 30 November 2006

1.00 p.m. Arrival of the participants, registration

1.45 p.m. **Welcome addresses and introduction**

Reinhard SILBERBERG, State Secretary, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin

Dr. Mathias JOPP, Director, Institut für Europäische Politik, Berlin

Prof. Dr. Wolfgang WESSELS, Jean Monnet Chair, University of Cologne;
Chairman of the Trans European Policy Studies Association (TEPSA),
Brussels; Coordinator of the EU-CONSENT Network of Excellence

2.00 p.m. **I. Opening session
Priorities of the German EU Presidency**

Chair

Dr. Mathias JOPP, Director, Institut für Europäische Politik, Berlin

Introductory Speech

Reinhard SILBERBERG, State Secretary, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin

Comments

Andrew DUFF MEP, European Parliament, Brussels

Dr. Andres KASEKAMP, Director, Estonian Foreign Policy Institute (EVI), Tallinn

Dr. Petr DRULÁK, President, Institute of International Relations, Prague

Horst BACIA, Correspondent, Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, Brussels

Plenary Discussion

3.45 p.m. **Coffee break**

4.00 p.m. **II. The European Union between Deepening and Widening: Challenges for the German EU Presidency**

Chair

Dr. Barbara LIPPERT, Deputy Director, Institut für Europäische Politik, Berlin

Introduction

Peter TEMPEL, Director General for European Affairs, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin

Comments from the EU-CONSENT Network of Excellence

Prof. Dr. Iain BEGG, European Institute, London School of Economics and Political Science, London

Michael STÜBGEN MP, Spokesman on European Affairs of the CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group of the German Bundestag, Berlin

Prof. Dr. José Ignacio TORREBLANCA, UNED University, Madrid; Real Instituto Elcano, Madrid

Prof. Dr. Maria KARASINSKA-FENDLER, European Institute, Łódź

Gaetane RICARD-NIHOUL, Secretary General, Notre Europe, Paris

Discussion

5.30 p.m. **Coffee break**

6.00 p.m. **III. Citizens' Security in the EU – Capacities and Perspectives of European Policy in Justice and Home Affairs**

Chair

Brendan DONNELLY, Director, Federal Trust for Education and Research, London

Introduction

Peter ALTMAIER MP, Parliamentary State Secretary, Federal Ministry of the Interior, Berlin

Panel Statements

Dr. Paul LUIF, Austrian Institute for International Affairs, Vienna

Christian AHRENDT MP, Member of the Committee on European Affairs,
German Bundestag, Berlin

Prof. Dr. Siegfried MAGIERA, German University of Administrative Sciences
Speyer

Discussion

7.30 p.m. **End of first Day**

(Dinner for speakers and representatives of TEPSA Institutes; venue and time to be announced)

Friday, 1 December 2006

9.00 a.m. **IV. The Common Foreign and Security Policy in an Insecure World
(including Energy Foreign Policy)**

Chair

Dr. Elfriede REGELBERGER, Institut für Europäische Politik, Berlin

Introduction

Dr. Christoph HEUSGEN, Foreign and Security Policy Advisor of the Federal
Chancellor; Director General for Foreign, Security and Development Policy,
Federal Chancellery, Berlin

Dr. Michael SCHAEFER, Political Director, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin

Panel Statements

Prof. Dr. Geoffrey EDWARDS, University of Cambridge

Dr. Hanna OJANEN, Finnish Institute of International Affairs, Helsinki

Graham AVERY, Senior Member of St. Antony's College, Oxford; Honorary
Director General, European Commission, Brussel

Discussion

11.00 a.m. **Coffee break**

11.30 a.m. **V. The Social Dimension of the EU and the Lisbon Strategy**

Chair

Prof. Dr. Iain BEGG, London School of Economics and Political Science

Introductions

Dr. Joachim WUERMELING, State Secretary, Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology, Berlin

Karl-Josef WASSERHÖVEL, State Secretary, Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Berlin

Panel Statements

Dr. Angelica SCHWALL-DÜREN MP, Deputy Chairwoman of the SPD Parliamentary Group of the German Bundestag, Berlin

Willhem NÖE, Representation of the European Commission to the Federal Republic of Germany, Berlin

Dr. Ognian HISHOW, Research Unit EU Integration, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP), Berlin

Discussion

1.30 p.m. **Lunch buffet**

2.30 p.m. **VI. New Impetus for the European Neighbourhood Policy**

Chair

Dr. Gunilla HEROLF, Swedish Institute of International Affairs, Stockholm

Introductions

Ekkehard BROSE, Commissioner for EU External Relations and Relations to the Member States, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin

Rutger WISSELS, Director European Neighbourhood Coordination, European Commission, Brussels

Panel Statements

Dr. Ettore GRECO, Visiting Fellow, Center on the United States and Europe, The Brookings Institution; Deputy Director, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome

Dr. Atis LEJINS, Director, Latvian Institute of International Affairs, Riga

Krassimir NIKOLOV, General Secretary, Bulgarian European Community Studies Association, Sofia

Rainder STEENBLOCK MP, Spokesman on European Affairs of the Parliamentary Group „Bündnis 90/Die Grünen”, German Bundestag, Berlin

Discussion

4.00 p.m. **Coffee break**

4.15 p.m. **VII. Final session
The Future of Europe**

Chair

Prof. Dr. Christian FRANCK, Université Catholique, Lovain-la-Neuve;
Secretary General, Trans European Policy Studies Association (TEPSA),
Brussels

Panel Statements

Axel SCHÄFER MP, Spokesman on European Affairs of the SPD
Parliamentary Group of the German Bundestag, Berlin

Prof. Dr. Lenka ROVNÁ, Jean Monnet Chair ad personam, Charles University,
Prague

Prof. Dr. Jan ROOD, Director of Studies, Netherlands Institute of International
Relations Clingendael, The Hague

Prof. Dr. Álvaro DE VASCONCELOS, Director, Instituto de Estudos
Estrategicos e Internacionais (IEEI), Lisbon

Prof. Dr. Marjan SVETLICIC, Centre of International Relations, Ljubljana

Discussion

6.15 p.m. **Concluding Remarks**

Prof. Dr. Wolfgang WESSELS, Coordinator, EU-CONSENT Network of
Excellence, University of Cologne

End of the Conference



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