



The UK Presidency of the European Union

Priorities and Objectives



20-21 June 2005

Chatham House, London

ON THE EVE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM'S PRESIDENCY OF THE EUROPEAN UNION THIS CONFERENCE WILL DISCUSS THE UK GOVERNMENT'S PRIORITIES FOR THEIR SIX MONTH TERM. IT WILL PROVIDE A PLATFORM TO ANALYSE AND DEBATE BOTH THE PROPOSALS EMERGING FROM THE GOVERNMENT, AS WELL AS QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE FUTURE OF EUROPE AND EUROPE'S ROLE IN THE WORLD

THE CONFERENCE WILL COVER THE CHANGING INSTITUTIONAL DIMENSION OF THE EUROPEAN UNION, THE RATIFICATION PROCESS FOR THE EU CONSTITUTIONAL TREATY, EU ENLARGEMENT, THE FUTURE OF THE EU BUDGET, THE LISBON AGENDA, EUROPEAN TRADE POLICY, EUROPE'S EXTERNAL RELATIONS AND ROLE IN GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL GOVERNANCE.

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MONDAY 20 JUNE 2005

9.15-9.45: ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION

9.45: WELCOME

DR RICHARD WHITMAN

Head, European Programme, Chatham House

MR BRENDAN DONNELLY

Director, The Federal Trust for Education and Research

PROFESSOR CHRISTIAN FRANCK

Director General, Trans-European Policy Studies Association

10.00: PRIORITIES FOR THE NEXT SIX MONTHS

CHAIR: SIR BRIAN UNWIN

Honorary President, European Investment Bank

KEYNOTE SPEECH: RT HON JACK STRAW MP

UK Foreign Secretary ^{invited}

Questions and Discussion

11.00 - 11.15: Tea and Coffee

11.15: PERSPECTIVES ON THE PRESIDENCY

CHAIR: MR WILL HUTTON

Executive Director, The Work Foundation

SIR STEPHEN WALL

PRINCIPAL ADVISER TO CARDINAL CORMAC MURPHY-O'CONNOR

MR ANDREW DUFF MEP

SPOKESMAN ON CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS, ALLIANCE OF LIBERALS AND DEMOCRATS FOR EUROPE

PROFESSOR WOLFGANG WESSELS

JEAN MONNET CHAIR AT THE DEPARTMENT FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE AND
EUROPEAN AFFAIRS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF COLOGNE & TEPSA

Questions and Discussion

12.45 - 14.00: Lunch

14.00: THE EU INSTITUTIONS: SHIFTING PERSONALITIES?

CHAIR: MR HYWEL CERI JONES

Executive Director, Network of European Foundations for Innovative Cooperation

MR PETER SUTHERLAND KCMG

CHAIRMAN, BP P.L.C

PROFESSOR VERNON BOGDANOR

PROFESSOR OF GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS, BRASENOSE COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

PROFESSOR ANDREAS MAURER

PROJECT LEADER, EU INTEGRATION PROJECT, STIFTUNG WISSENSCHAFT UND POLITIK, BERLIN

Questions and Discussion

15.30 - 15.45: Tea and Coffee

15.45: WHERE NOW FOR THE EU CONSTITUTIONAL TREATY?

CHAIR: PROFESSOR OLIVIER DUHAMEL

Co-Director, Europhillia, Sciences Po, Paris ^{tbc}

MR TONY BROWN

INSTITUTE FOR EUROPEAN AFFAIRS, DUBLIN

PROFESSOR JO SHAW

SALVESEN CHAIR OF EUROPEAN INSTITUTIONS, UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH AND
SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOW, THE FEDERAL TRUST

DR ULRIKE GUEROT

EUROPEAN FELLOW, GERMAN MARSHALL FUND OF THE UNITED STATES

Questions and Discussion

17.00 - 17.15: Tea and Coffee

17.15: ENLARGEMENT: WHERE NEXT FOR THE EU'S BORDERS?

CHAIR: DR RICHARD WHITMAN

Head, European Programme, Chatham House

REPRESENTATIVE FROM

THE GOVERNMENT OF ROMANIA ^{TBC}

REPRESENTATIVE FROM

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY ^{TBC}

PROFESSOR MARIA KARASINSKA-FENDLER

JEAN MONNET PROFESSOR AND RESEARCH DIRECTOR, EUROPEAN INSTITUTE, LODZ, POLAND

Questions and Discussion

18.30: Reception

Tuesday 21 June 2005

10.00: EU STRATEGIES FOR WORLD TRADE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

CHAIR: MR CHRISTOPHER ROBERTS

Senior Trade Adviser, Covington and Burling

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: MR PETER MANDELSON

EU Commissioner for Trade ^{invited}

RESPONSE: PROFESSOR JIM ROLLO

Co-Director, SUSSEX EUROPEAN INSTITUTE, UNIVERSITY OF SUSSEX

Questions and Discussion

10.45 - 11.00: Tea and Coffee

11.00: THE FINANCIAL PERSPECTIVE: WHERE NEXT FOR THE EU BUDGET?

CHAIR: MR WILLIAM KEEGAN

Economics Editor, The Observer

PROFESSOR IAIN BEGG

EUROPEAN INSTITUTE, LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS

LORD RADICE

CHAIRMAN, EU-SUB COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS, INTERNATIONAL TRADE, HOUSE OF LORDS

THIRD SPEAKER

TO BE CONFIRMED

Questions and Discussion

12.30 - 14.00: Lunch

14.00 ECONOMIC REFORM IN THE EU : ONE HALF OF A WHOLE DECADE

CHAIR: MR PAUL ADAMSON

Co-founder, The Centre and Founder of E!Sharp

KEYNOTE SPEECH: RT HON PATRICIA HEWITT MP

UK Secretary of State for Trade and Industry ^{invited}

RESPONSE: PROFESSOR STEFAN COLLIGNON

PROFESSOR OF EUROPEAN POLITICAL ECONOMY, EUROPEAN INSTITUTE, LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

Questions and Discussion

15.15 - 15.30 **Coffee and Tea Break**

15.30: THE EU IN THE WIDER WORLD: BUILDING STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS

CHAIR: PROFESSOR MATHIAS JOPP

Director, Institute for European Policy, Institut für Europäische Politik, Berlin

SRA. ANA PALACIO

FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER, SPAIN ^{TBC}

MR GRAHAM AVERY

CHIEF ADVISER, DG EXTERNAL RELATIONS, EUROPEAN COMMISSION

AMBASSADOR GÉRARD ERRERA

AMBASSADOR OF FRANCE TO THE UNITED KINGDOM

Questions/Discussion

17.00 - 17.15 **Coffee and Tea Break**

17.15 - 18.30: BRITAIN AND EUROPE: THE RELATIONSHIP IN 2015

CHAIR: MR BRENDAN DONNELLY

Director, The Federal Trust

GIANNI BONVICINI

DIRECTOR, ISTITUTO AFFARI INTERNAZIONALI, ROME

DR JULIE SMITH

CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

MR PETER NORMAN

EUROPEAN AFFAIRS WRITER, THE FINANCIAL TIMES

Questions and Discussion

18:30 **Closing Reception**

Registration

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