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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject: 3131st meeting of the COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
**(EMPLOYMENT, SOCIAL POLICY, HEALTH AND CONSUMER
AFFAIRES)**

Date: Thursday 1 (9:30) and Friday 2 (10:00) December 2011

Venue: COUNCIL
JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING
Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

MEETING ON THURSDAY 1 DECEMBER (9:30)

1. Adoption of the agenda

EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL POLICY

Legislative deliberations

(Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)

2. (poss.) Approval of the list of "A" items

3. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 on the coordination of social security systems and Regulation (EC) No 987/2009 laying down the procedure for implementing Regulation (EC) No 883/2004
 - General approach
5063/11 SOC 7 CODEC 8

4. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the minimum health and safety requirements regarding the exposure of workers to the risks arising from physical agents (electromagnetic fields) (XXth individual Directive within the meaning of Article 16(1) of Directive 89/391/EEC)
 - (poss.) General approach / Progress report
11951/11 SOC 598 CODEC 1075
+ COR 1

5. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006 on establishing the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund
 - (poss.) Progress report / Political agreement
12122/11 SOC 609 ECOFIN 463 FSTR 25 COMPET 343 CODEC 111

6. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 92/85/EEC on the introduction of measures to encourage improvements in the safety and health at work of pregnant workers and workers who have recently given birth or are breastfeeding
 - Progress report
13983/08 SOC 575 SAN 217 CODEC 1285
+ COR 1

7. Proposal for a Council Directive on implementing the principle of equal treatment between persons irrespective of religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation
 - Progress report
11531/08 SOC 411 JAI 368 MI 246

Non-legislative activities

8. (poss.) Approval of the list of "A" items

Non-legislative activities

(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency] for points from 9 to 12)

9. Contribution to the European Council (9 December 2011)
Implementation of the Europe 2020 Strategy in the field of employment and social policy
- Policy debate
 - (a) (poss.) Annual Growth Survey (2012) and Joint Employment Report
 - Presentation by the Commission
 - (b) Follow-up of the first European Semester and thematic surveillance in employment and social policies
 - Adoption of Council conclusions
 - (c) The Europe 2020 social dimension: delivering on the EU commitment to poverty reduction and inclusion (2011)
 - Endorsement of the opinion of the Social Protection Committee
10. Ageing as an opportunity for the labour market and for the development of social services and community activities
- Adoption of Council conclusions
11. Review of the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action -
Women and the Economy: Reconciliation of work and family life as a precondition for equal participation in the labour market
- Adoption of Council conclusions
12. Report from the Commission to the Council on the functioning of the transitional arrangements on the free movement of workers from Bulgaria and Romania
- Presentation by the Commission

MEETING ON FRIDAY 2 DECEMBER (10:00)

HEALTH AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS

Non-legislative activities

(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency] for points from 13 to 16)

13. Prevention, early diagnosis and treatment of chronic respiratory diseases in children
 - Adoption of Council conclusions

14. Early detection and treatment of communication disorders in children, including the use of e-Health tools and innovative solutions
 - Adoption of Council conclusions

15. Closing health gaps within the EU through concerted action to promote healthy lifestyle behaviours
 - Adoption of Council conclusions

16. Health for Growth Programme 2014–2020
 - Exchange of views

Any other business

Employment and social policy

17. (a) First Annual Convention of the European Platform against Poverty and Social Exclusion (Cracow, 17-18 October 2011)
- Presidency and Commission information on the Key messages from the Convention
- (b) Legislative proposals in the area of migration (single permit, Intra-corporate transfers and seasonal workers)
- Information from the Presidency
- (c) State of play on the following issues:
- o Review of the Working Time Directive
 - o Posting of workers
 - o (poss.) White Paper on Pensions
 - o Women on company boards
 - Information from the Commission
- (d) Informal Meeting of Ministers for Family and Gender Equality (Cracow, 21 October 2011) and Presidency conferences
- Information from the Presidency

Health and consumer affairs

- (e) (i) Amended proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on information to the general public on medicinal products subject to medical prescription and as regards pharmacovigilance
- (ii) Amended proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2001/83/EC, as regards information to the general public on medicinal products subject to medical prescription and as regards pharmacovigilance
- Information from the Presidency
- (f) Outcomes and conferences of the Polish Presidency
- Information from the Presidency
- (g) UNAIDS (2012)
- Information from the Presidency

- (h) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on food intended for infants and young children and on food for special medical purposes
 - Information from the Presidency on the state of play
- (i) Working Party on Public Health at Senior Level (Brussels, 10 October 2011)
 - Information from the Presidency
- (j) European Innovation Partnership - Pilot project on Active and Healthy Ageing
 - Information from the Commission

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- (k) Work programme of the incoming Presidency
 - Information from the Danish delegation

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