



**COUNCIL OF
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

Brussels, 9 February 2012

6274/12

CULT 16

"I/A" ITEM NOTE

From : General Secretariat of the Council
To : Coreper/Council

Subject : European Heritage Label
- *Appointment by the Council of four members of the European panel for the European Union action for the European Heritage Label*

1. Article 8 of Decision No 1194/2011/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a European Union action for the European Heritage Label¹ provides for a European Panel, four members of which shall be appointed by the Council.
2. Council decision 2011/831/EU of 1 December 2011² sets out the practical and procedural arrangements for the appointment of these four members.

In accordance with Article 2 (4) of this latter decision, experts are selected by means of a draw that takes place in the Cultural Affairs Committee.

¹ OJ L 303, 22.11.2011, p. 1.

² OJ L 330, 14.12.2011, p. 23.

3. At its meeting of 7 February 2012, the Cultural Affairs Committee organised such a draw and selected the following candidates in each of the above-mentioned four categories:

Category 1: European history and cultures - **Mr Francisco Prado-Vilar (Spain)**

Category 2: Education and youth - **Ms Csilla Hegedüs (Romania)**

Category 3: Cultural management, including the heritage dimension - **Ms Irma Grigaitienė (Lithuania)**

Category 4: Communication and tourism - **Mr Michel Thomas-Penette (Luxembourg)**

4. It is therefore suggested that the Committee of Permanent Representatives invites the Council to appoint, as an "A" item at one of its forthcoming meetings, the following four members to form part of the European panel for the European Heritage Label until 2015:

- Mr Francisco Prado-Vilar,
- Ms Csilla Hegedüs,
- Ms Irma Grigaitienė,
- Mr Michel Thomas-Penette.