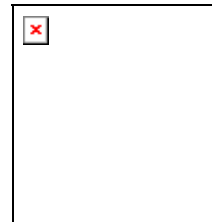


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COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT



**JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING ON
EUROPEAN DEVELOPMENT POLICIES**

WEDNESDAY 4 OCTOBER 2006

ORGANISED JOINTLY BY
THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT

OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

AND

THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

OF THE PARLIAMENT OF FINLAND

VENUE: EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

RUE WIERTZ, 43 - 1047 BRUSSELS
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REGISTRATION AND ORGANISATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

The meeting will be co-chaired by both the European Parliament's and the Finnish Parliament's representatives: Ms Morgantini in the morning session and Ms Kiviniemi in the afternoon session respectively.

1. Participants

National Parliaments:

- 4 Members (Member States)
- 2 Members (Acceding States)

The number of participants is flexible. The aim is to ensure representation of both houses in a bicameral system (in principle 2 + 2) and from across the political spectrum (majority and opposition).

As is customary for parliamentary meetings, parliamentary administrators and the permanent representatives of national parliaments to the European Parliament may accompany the national delegation (one person per two Members).

MEPs:

All the Committee on Development Members

The other MEPs, the EP political group secretariats and MEPs' assistants will have access to the meeting.

2. Registration

Registration forms can be found as an annex to the invitation letter.

We would be really pleased if the registration forms were sent as soon as possible due to room and interpretation arrangements and at the latest by **10 September 2006**, to the suggested e-mail address or fax number.

3. Arrival of members of National Parliaments

Registration facilities will be provided on Wednesday 4 October starting from 8.30 a.m. on the ground floor of the Altiero Spinelli building, rue Wiertz 60, before the opening of the Joint Committee Meeting. Members of national parliaments will be given an access badge and a set of documents for the meeting.

A welcome buffet dinner will be hosted by Mr Joseph Borrell Fontelles, President of European Parliament, on Tuesday 3 October at 19.30 in the Members' Restaurant of the European Parliament.

Proceedings will break from 12.30 to 14.30 on 4 October in order to allow participants to organize lunch at their convenience.

4. Interpretation facilities

Active interpretation will be available in 19 languages of the European Union.

5. Speaking Times

A registration list for each discussion point will be distributed to Members before each item to be discussed for the Members to request to intervene in the debate. The speaking time per intervention will be limited to two minutes. The rotation of speakers will follow the rule of two National Parliament representatives for every one MEP.

6. Working documents

Documents sent in by each parliament:

Each delegation is kindly requested to prepare an optional note on the current status of development activities at their respective parliamentary level to contribute to the discussion, providing if possible a translation in English and/or French.

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