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Warsaw, 8 July 2011

Dear Colleagues,

On 1 July 2011 Poland assumed the Presidency of the Council of the European Union. The parliamentary dimension of the Presidency is implemented jointly by the Seim of the Republic of Poland and the Senate of the Republic of Poland, so traditionally both Chambers will be the hosts of meetings of chairpersons of specialized committees. We are convinced that the meetings will provide an excellent forum for sharing views and discussing many current issues related to the functioning of the European Union.

Therefore, we have the honour of inviting you to the meeting of chairpersons of economic affairs committees, which will be held on 11–12 September 2011 in Warsaw in the Senate building. The meeting will start with a welcome dinner on Sunday, 11 September 2011.

Please find enclosed a draft programme and general information on the meeting. All up-to-date details of the meeting can be found on the Polish Presidency parliamentary dimension website at <a href="https://www.parl2011.pl">www.parl2011.pl</a>. Also available on the website are electronic forms through which you can book your participation in the conference and hotel accommodation.

We are looking forward to our September meeting in Warsaw.

Yours sincerely,

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Wojciech Jasiński Chairman

of the Economic Committee of the Sejm of the Republic of Poland

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Jan Wyrowiński Chairman

of the National Economy Committee of the Senate of the Republic of Poland - Courtesy translation -

Warsaw, 8 July 2011

Dear Madam Speaker, Dear Mr Speaker,

On 1 July 2011, Poland assumed the Presidency of the Council of the European Union. In line with the European tradition, the parliamentary dimension of the Presidency is implemented jointly by the Sejm and the Senate of the Republic of Poland in the form of meetings of specialized committee chairpersons. The programme and subject matter of the meetings will be related to the Presidency priorities adopted by Poland.

Please find enclosed the invitation from the chairmen of the Economic Committee of the Sejm and the National Economy Committee of the Senate of the Republic of Poland to the meeting of chairpersons of economic affairs committees to be held at the Senate on 11–12 September 2011.

We would be grateful if you could pass on the attached invitation to the chairpersons of the committees concerned.

With assurances of our esteem,

/-/ Grzegorz Schetyna /-/ Bogdan Borusewicz





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# Meeting of chairpersons of economic affairs committees of parliaments of EU member states

Needs and capabilities of financing the EU energy policy until 2020

11-12 September 2011, Warsaw

The Senate of the Republic of Poland, Plenary Hall

#### **DRAFT PROGRAMME**

# SUNDAY, 11 SEPTEMBER 2011

Ali day	Arrival of delegations, transfer to hotels, hotel check-in
	and registration of participants

Participants are requested to arrange their own transport from the airport to hotels

<b>17.15</b> Departure by bus from the hotels
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1 <i>7</i> .30	Visit to the Fryderyk Chopin Museum in Warsaw, concert
	Ostrogski Palace, 1, Okólnik Street

19.00 Official dinner hosted by the Chairman of the Economic Committee of the Sejm, Mr Wojciech Jasiński and the Chairman of the National Economy Committee of the Senate, Mr Jan Wyrowiński

Endorfina Restaurant, Zamoyski Palace, 2, Foksal Street

Return by bus to the hotels

# MONDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER 2011

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8.30	Departure by bus from the Victoria and Bristol hotels to the Senate
8.40	Departure by bus from the Sheraton hotel to the Senate
9.00	Opening of the meeting:
	Mr Bogdan BORUSEWICZ, Marshal of the Senate
	Mr Wojciech JASIŃSKI, Chairman of the Economic Committee of the Sejm
	Mr Jan WYROWIŃSKI, Chairman of the National Economy Committee of the Senate
9.15	Address by Mr Waldemar PAWLAK, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Economy (tbc)
	Debate
10.10	The objectives and implementation of European energy policy until 2020 in times of the financial and economic crisis in the EU (speaker to be confirmed)
	Debate
11.10	Coffee break
11.30	The role and capabilities of the European Investment Bank in co- financing the objectives of European energy policy with EU project bonds (speaker to be confirmed)
•	Debate
12.45	How to ensure energy security in the EU by rationalising the investments as well as social and environmental costs? (speaker to be confirmed)
	Debate
13.45	Family photo
13.50	Lunch hosted by the Chairman of the Economic Committee of the Sejm, Mr Wojciech Jasiński and the Chairman of the National Economy Committee of the Senate, Mr Jan Wyrowiński
	Sejm Committees' Building (G1 entrance)
	Transfer from the Senate to hotels

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# Meeting of chairpersons of economic affairs committees of parliaments of EU member states

Warsaw, 11-12 September 2011

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

# **MEETING DATE AND VENUE**

The meeting will be held on 11-12 September 2011 in the Plenary Hall of the Senate at 4/6/8 Wiejska Street. Entry to the building will be allowed only to persons who show their identification badges at the main entrance to the Senate (B II).

Owing to limited seating capacity of the Plenary Hall, the delegations of each parliamentary chamber will be allocated 2 seats only. Other participants of the meeting will be able to follow the sessions in room 217 (Władysław Raczkiewicz Room).

#### **REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS**

The participants will be registered electronically using the online form posted on the website of the parliamentary dimension of the Polish Presidency at <a href="www.parl2011.pl">www.parl2011.pl</a>. The form is available by clicking the name of the meeting in the calendar in the left top corner of the page. Online forms and details of the meeting are available after logging in, in the section accessible to the participants only.

Login: Warsaw

Password: parl2011

# The registration deadline is 28 August 2011

Having registered, the participant will receive an e-mail message confirming the receipt of the form. The message will also contain links allowing the registration form to be edited in case any changes are necessary. Changes can be made in the form until the registration deadline. After that date, any changes should be reported to the persons responsible for the organisation of the meeting.

# **HOTEL BOOKING**

The participants are requested to make individual hotel bookings directly with any of the following three hotels:

#### **Sofitel Warsaw Victoria Hotel**

11 Królewska Str., 00-065 Warsaw

Phone: +48 22 657 82 85 Fax +48 22 657 81 69

E-mail: <u>H3378-RE@sofitel.com</u>

Website: www.sofitel.com/gb/hotel-3378-sofitel-warsaw-victoria/index.shtml

#### **Sheraton Warsaw Hotel**

2 Bolesława Prusa Str., 00-493 Warsaw

Phone: +48 22 450 6100 Fax: +48 22 450 69 01

E-mail: slawomir.boczkowski@sheraton.com

Website: www.sheraton.pl

# Le Méridien Bristol, Warsaw

42/44 Krakowskie Przedmieście Str., 00-325 Warsaw

Phone: +48 22 55 11 825 Fax: +48 22 55 11 826

E-mail: elzbieta.falkowska@lemeridien.com

Website: www.lemeridien.pl

The booking forms are available at <a href="www.parl2011.pl">www.parl2011.pl</a> on the tab dedicated to the meeting after the participant logs in. The booking forms should be filled in and sent (by fax or e-mail) to the selected hotel.

The organisers have made preliminary bookings with each of the three hotels at special prices. The accommodation in each hotel will be available on the first-come, first-served basis. **Bookings** should be made by 28 August 2011. Availability of accommodation cannot be guaranteed after that date.

The cost of accommodation is covered by the delegations.

### **ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES OF THE DELEGATIONS**

The participants are requested to arrange transport from and to the airport on their own. Warsaw Chopin Airport recommends the services of three taxi corporations:

ELE SKY TAXI +48 22 811 11 11 www.eletaxi.pl

SUPER TAX! +48 22 578 98 00 <u>www.supertaxi.pl</u>

SAWA TAXI +48 22 644 44 44 www.sawataxi.com.pl

The cost of transfer from the airport to the city center is approx. PLN 40. When ordering a taxi operated by SUPER TAXI or SAWA TAXI please specify the mode of payment, i.e. cash/credit card.

#### TRANSPORT DURING THE MEETING

The organisers will provide transport from the hotels Le Méridien Bristol, Sheraton Warsaw and Sofitel Warsaw Victoria and the meeting venue, as well as the venues where other events included in the meeting programme will be held. Transport will also be provided by the organisers from the Senate building to the hotels after the meeting.

#### **IDENTIFICATION BADGES**

Reception desks will be arranged at the hotels on the day of arrival, where the participants can collect their badges and meeting documents. The participants who will not collect their badges and documents on the day of arrival will be able to do so the next day in the Senate.

For security reasons, the participants are requested to wear identification badges throughout the meeting.

The badges are colour-coded as follows:

- 1. Red Head of Delegation
- 2. Yellow MPs
- 3. Green Parliament Staff
- 4. White Interpreters
- 5. Grey Embassy Representatives
- 6. Blue Press
- 7. Orange Organisers

### **MEETING DOCUMENTS**

Updated versions of the programme and other documents will be available on the website of the meeting <a href="www.parl2011.pl">www.parl2011.pl</a>. The participants are requested to regularly read the information posted there. The final versions of the documents will be delivered to the participants at the venue together with the meeting papers.

The meeting documents and papers will be available in English and French.

#### INTERPRETATION

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided during the meeting into Polish, English and French. Additional interpreting booths will also be available to interested delegations. For technical reasons, the number of additional booths is limited. Additional booths will be allocated to the delegations on the first-come, first-served basis. Booth requests can be made by marking the appropriate box on the registration form.

#### **MEETING SECRETARIAT**

The meeting secretariat will be situated nearby the meeting venue, where the participants can use computers with Internet access, printers, photocopy machine, telephone and fax. In addition, Wi-Fi Internet access will be available at the meeting venue.

# **REQUESTS TO TAKE THE FLOOR**

All participants willing to take the floor at the meeting will be requested to fill in request for the floor forms for the session concerned. The forms will be attached to the meeting papers available at the venue.

#### INFORMATION FOR SMOKERS

Smoking is strictly prohibited in the Senate building.

#### **CURRENCY**

The legal tender in Poland is the ZLOTY (PLN). 1 PLN = 0.25 EUROS. All major types of payment cards are acceptable in Poland and can be used to pay at most retail and service facilities.

# **TOURIST INFORMATION AND WEATHER**

The average temperatures in Warsaw in September are about 17°C in the day and 8°C at night. For tourist information on Poland and Warsaw please visit the website of the parliamentary dimension of the Polish Presidency <a href="https://www.parl2011.pl">www.parl2011.pl</a>.

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