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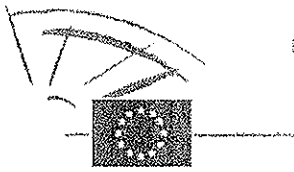
Det glæder mig at kunne indbyde repræsentanter for Deres parlament til at deltage i et interparlamentarisk udvalgsmøde i Europa-Parlamentet i Bruxelles.

Vedlagt fremsendes en indbydelse fra formanden for det udvalg, som vil være vært for det foreslåede møde.

Jeg beder Dem venligst fremsende indbydelsen fra formanden for Europa-Parlamentets udvalg til det/de relevante udvalg i Deres parlament.

Med venlig hilsen

**Jerzy Buzek**



Committee on Legal Affairs  
The Chairman

To the Chair of the Committee concerned

Dear colleague,

The adoption of an optional instrument in the field of EU contract law, building on substantive academic work already carried out in the field, is now high on the EU agenda, and important steps in this direction would be taken in the coming months. Ambitious initiatives should be developed at EU level in the interest of business and consumers, commonly faced with the reality of cross-border transactions. The European Parliament will, once again, play an important role in this work, and is counting, to this effect, on an enhanced dialogue and cooperation with national Parliaments.

In this context, the Committee on Legal Affairs of the European Parliament intends to organise an inter-parliamentary meeting with participants from national Parliaments. The meeting will take place on Wednesday 27 October, from 9:30 to 13:00, in the European Parliament in Brussels.

I am convinced that, by then, we will have an additional basis for our discussions, as the Commission will have published its Green book on European contract law. I am equally certain that the representatives of your Parliament will make very interesting contributions.

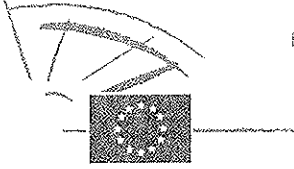
I am thus very pleased to invite to this meeting a maximum of four members from the competent committees of your Parliament (two from each chamber for bicameral national Parliaments).

The final programme of this meeting and more detailed practical information will be communicated to the representatives of your Parliament's services for relations with the European Parliament.

I sincerely hope that you will be able to accept my invitation, and I am already looking forward to welcoming you at the European Parliament.

Yours sincerely,

Klaus-Heiner Lehne



*Draft programme*  
**Interparliamentary Committee Meeting**

**Workshop on an optional instrument for EU contract law**

27 October 2010

9h30 - 13h00

Room 6Q2, European Parliament, Brussels

9.30 - 9.40    Opening remarks by Klaus-Heiner Lehne, Chair of the Committee on Legal Affairs

**Panel I: Why an EU contract law?** \* Moderator (MEP/national MP)

9.40 - 9.50    From the Draft Common Frame of Reference (DCFR) to the current EU contract law debate  
*Academic*

9.50 - 10.20    Overcoming obstacles to cross-border transactions in the internal market  
*A point of view from:*  
- Leena Linnainmaa, Director of Legal Affairs at the Central Chamber of Commerce of Finland  
- Ziva Drol-Novak, Slovenian Consumers' Organisation, (*tbc*)  
- Thomas Klink, Judge, Regional Court of Stuttgart

10.20 - 11.00    Discussion

**Panel II: An optional EU contract law instrument** \* Moderator (MEP/national MP)

11.00 - 11.20    An optional instrument on EU contract law: can it increase legal certainty and foster cross-border trade?  
Marc Frilet, Frilet Société d'Avocats

11.20 - 11.30    Scope and content of an optional EU contract law instrument  
*Academic*

11.30 - 11.50    Relation with substantive rules of national law  
Monika Jagielska, Judge, Court of Arbitration, Katowice

11.50 - 12.00    Relation with rules of private international law, rules concerning jurisdiction, recognition and enforcement of judgments  
*Academic*

12.00 - 12.30    Discussion