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*Brussels, Charlemagne Building
29 October 2010*

- 8:15** Start of registration

- 9:00** Opening statement by Mr. László Andor (Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion – European Commission)
And Mr. Michel Daerden (Minister for Pensions – Belgium)

- 9:20** Keynote speech by Mr. Nicholas Barr (Professor – London School of Economics)

- 10:00** Coffee break

- 10:30** Morning parallel panel sessions

1. How can Europe contribute to adequate and sustainable pensions by promoting active and healthy ageing?

Panel members:

- Mr. John Monks (Secretary General – European Trade Union Confederation)
- Mr. Willem Handels (Vice-Chairman of the European Pensions Forum – Business Europe)
- Ms. Anne Sophie Parent (Director – AGE)
- Mr. Andreas Storm (State Secretary to the Federal Minister of Labour and Social Affairs – Germany)

Chair:

- Ms. Pervenche Berès (Chair of the Employment and Social Affairs Committee – European Parliament)

2. How can Europe promote adequate and sustainable pensions and sound public finances?

Panel members:

- Mr. Henk Kamp, (Minister for Social Affairs and Employment – Netherlands)
- Mr. George Sabin Cutaş (rapporteur of the Green Paper in the Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee – European Parliament)
- Mr. Pedro Marques (State Secretary for Social Security – Portugal)
- Ms. Anita Schwarz (Lead pension specialist – World Bank, Europe and Central Asia)

Chair:

- Mr. Olli Rehn (Commissioner for Economic and Monetary Affairs – European Commission)



12:30 Lunch, Press Conference

14:00 Afternoon parallel panel sessions

3. How can pension systems be more European by removing barriers for the mobility of workers and the development of pension funds?

Panel members:

- Mr. Eric Woerth (Minister of Labour, Solidarity and Civil Service – France)
- Ms. Ria Oomen-Ruijten (rapporteur of the Green Paper in the Employment and Social Affairs Committee – European Parliament)
- Ms. Monika Queisser (Head of the Social Policy Division – OECD)
- Mr. Robin Blackburn (Professor – Essex University)

Chair:

- Mr. László Andor (Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion – European Commission)

4. How can Europe promote pension safety and transparency?

Panel members:

- Mr. Steven John Webb (Minister for Pensions – United Kingdom)
- Mr. Gabriel Bernardino (Chairman – CEIOPS, Committee of European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Supervisors)
- Mr. Martin van Rijn (CEO – PGGM)
- Mr. Michael Cichon (Director, Social Security Department – ILO)

Chair:

- Mr. Jonathan Faull (Director General, Directorate General Internal Market and Services – European Commission)

15:30 Coffee break

15:45 Closing statements

- Mr. Olli Rehn (Commissioner for Economic and Monetary Affairs – European Commission)
- Mr. Miklós Réthelyi (Minister for National Resources – Hungary)
- Mr. László Andor (Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion – European Commission)