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Brussels, 26th of June, 2015

Dear Mr. Lykketoft, Speaker of the Parliament of Denmark,

European Parliament President, Martin Schulz, and EU40, the network of young Members of the European Parliament are seeking to bring together all young Members of Parliament from all 28 Member States for a 'Young Parliament Members Forum' at the European Parliament in Brussels between September 29 and October 1, 2015, in order to generate a stronger cooperation between the national Parliaments and the European Parliament but also to tackle some of Europe's most urgent issues.

Therefore the 1st Young Parliament Members Forum of all the main political groups organised under the high patronage of the European Parliament will refer to youth unemployment that has risen to unbearable levels in many Member States during the debt crisis. The new European Investment Plan (EFSI), worth potentially 315 billion Euro, could be an opportunity to generate jobs. At the forum we would like to discuss the possibilities of utilising the EFSI for this purpose and finalise this two-day session with a press conference, in which different ideas will be shared. The Forum will be visited by key European policy makers involved with the EFSI and the problem of youth unemployment, such as EU Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker, EU Commissioner for employment Marianne Thyssen, Council President Donald Tusk and European Parliament President Martin Schulz, under whose high patronage the event is hosted. Additionally, there will be an exchange with leading European CEOs.

The power of the message of close to 100 decision makers from 28 different countries, united by their young age (under 40) and vision to make a change for the better is not to be underestimated.

We would kindly like to ask you, as Speaker of the Parliament of Denmark, to pass on this invitation to all young Members of your Parliament to join us in Brussels for this ground-breaking conference.

We would like to use the forum to create a lasting and active network of young parliament members across the continent, which will have many opportunities for collaboration in the years to come in order to reinforce the mechanisms of inter-parliamentarian collaboration, established through the Lisbon Treaty.

Please find here included the draft programme of the event.



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Sincerely,

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YOUNG PARLIAMENT MEMBERS EUROPEAN FORUM
September 29 - October 1

Youth unemployment in the context of the European Commission investment plan

-Draft agenda-

1. September 29th - 3rd October

All day *Bon Voyage!* Travel and check in at hotel of choice.
(Closest to EP: Renaissance, Rue du Parnasse & Radisson Blu, Rue d'Idalie)

18:00 Registration and introduction into the upcoming programme by Victor Negrescu, Member of the EU40 Board

20:00 Dinner at a tbc restaurant hosted by high ranking European CEO and welcome address by the EU40 Board

* 2. October 1st - 3rd October

09:00 Welcome address by **Jean-Claude Juncker** (invited), President of the European Commission and introduction of the EFSI

09:30 Explanation of the EFSI by **Jyrki Katainen** (invited), Vice President of the European Commission

10:00 **Distribution of draft proposal of the resolution on a future for a modern Europe** and short explanation of its content (1-2 pages)

10:30 Discussion on the draft proposal (plenary stile). Protocol is taken under the presence of leading European economist

12:30 **Lunch in the Members Salon hosted by high ranking European CEO.** Nomination of three coordinators of the breakout sessions

14:00 **3 breakout sessions** (committees) on **Youth unemployment & inclusion, SMEs and Research & Innovation** (digital, environment, energy). *Each session to be visited by known European economist*

--- time for written amendments to text

- 16:00 Coffee Break
- 16:30 **Introduction of the results** from the three coordinators
- 17:00 **Martin Schulz**, President of the European Parliament to address the Forum
- 17:30 **Discussion on the results** with Commissioner for Employment and Social Affairs Marianne Thyssen (invited) and vote on three finals texts
- 19:00 **Group Photo**
- 20:00 **Dinner at a tbc restaurant hosted by 2 EU40 partners**
- 09:00 Merging of the three texts to one resolution in a political working group
- 10:00 Intervention by **Donald Tusk** (invited), Council President, on the need of collaboration between Member States
- 10:15 Discussion on final text (plenary stile) with involvement of former President of the European Central bank, Jean - Claude Trichet (invited)
- 11:00 Vote on final text
- 11:30 **Press conference and introduction of text**
- 12:15 Final lunch and goodbyes
- 14:00 Check-out and departure