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Draft programme (as of 02.07.2009) Conference of Foreign Affairs Committee Chairs (COFACC), Visby, Gotland, September 6-7, 2009

Sunday, 6 September

- Afternoon Arrival by air to Visby Airport Transfer to Clarion Wisby Strand Hotel www.wisbyhotell.se
- 15.00-20.00 Registration open at Conference Centre Wisby Strand
- 17.00-18.00 Walking tour of the Medieval City of Visby (English or French) Starting point: Clarion Wisby Strand Hotel
- 19.20 Short walk to the Conference Centre
- 19.30-22.00 Welcome Dinner hosted by Mr Göran Lennmarker, Chair of Committee on Foreign Affairs *Venue: Conference Centre Wisby Strand*

The Baltic Sea

Ms Maria Åsenius, State Secretary for European Affairs

Monday, 7 September

07.30 Registration open at Conference Centre

Short walk to the Conference Centre

- 08.30-18.00 **Conference venue** Conference Centre Wisby Strand Address: Strandvägen 4, Visby Phone: +46 (0)498 65 11 00, Fax: +46 (0)498 65 11 11 www.wisbystrand.se
- 08.30 **Welcoming address** Mr Göran Lennmarker, Chair of Committee on Foreign Affairs

Current Foreign Policy

Mr Javier Solana, EU High Representative



Discussions

Coffee break

Foreign Policy during the Swedish Presidency Mr Carl Bildt, Minister for Foreign Affairs

Discussions

- 12.00 Group Photo
- 12.15-01.30 Lunch

Transatlantic Dialogue

Colleague from the U.S. Congress (to be confirmed)

Discussions

Coffee break

Afghanistan

Mr Kai Eide, UN Special Representative in Afghanistan Mr Ettore Francesco Sequi, EU Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan (to be confirmed)

The Middle East Peace Process

Mr Marc Otte, the European Union's Special Representative to the Middle East peace process

Discussions

- 17.45 Closing remarks Mr Göran Lennmarker, Chair of Committee on Foreign Affairs
- 18.55 Short walk to the museum
- 19.00-19.45 Drink at the Historical Museum of Gotland <u>www.gotlandsmuseum.se</u> Host: Ms Marianne Samuelsson, Governor of Gotland
- 19.45 Short walk to St. Nicolais
- 20.00-22.30 Informal dinner with a Middle Ages theme hosted by the Swedish Parliament. A barbeque dinner will be given at St. Nicolais, one of Visby's many Church Ruins. Please note that it is an outdoor activity so dress will be according to weather conditions.

Tuesday, 8 September

morning Transfer from Clarion Wisby Strand Hotel Departure from Visby airport