



European Economic and Social Committee

"European Day of Liberal Professions"

Monday, 6 June 2011

EESC – Rue Belliard 99 – Brussels - Room JDE 51

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Morning session 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

- 9.00 a.m. Registration
- 10.00 a.m. Welcome address by **Mr Luca Jahier**, President of Group III and **Mr Carlos Pereira Martins**, spokesperson of the "SME's, Crafts and the Professions" Category
- 10.15 a.m. *"The future of the Liberal Professions in the internal market with the directive on the recognition of professional qualifications"*- Keynote speech by **Mr Jürgen Tiedje**, Head of Unit of DG Internal Market and Services
- 10.45 a.m. Questions and answers - debate moderated by **Mr Arno Metzler**, member of the "SME's, Crafts and the Professions" Category and Vice-President of Group III
- 11.15 a.m. *Coffee Break*
- 11.35 a.m. **Panel 1 : *"Transparency, Independence and Qualification: European core values of Liberal Professions and their monitoring"***

Moderator: **Mr Edouard de Lamaze** member of the "SME's, Crafts and the Professions" Category and managing partner of the law firm CARLARA (France)

- **Dr Herbert Becherer** – Vice-President of the Confédération Fiscale Européenne
- **Dr Wolfgang Doneus** - President of the Council of European Dentists
- **Mr Georges-Albert Dal** - President of the Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe
- **Mr Jan Van der Putten** - Secretary General of the European Federation of Engineering Consultancy Associations

1 p.m. *Lunch Break*

Afternoon session 2.30 – 5.30 p.m.

2.30 p.m. **Panel 2: "*Orders, colleges and Liberal Professional Associations as Players under the single market and the professional qualification directive*".**

Moderator: **Mr Carlos Pereira Martins**, spokesperson of the "SME's, Crafts and the Professions" Category

- Presidents of Liberal Profession's organisations in
Austria – **Mrs Anne-Marie Sigmund**, member of the "SME's, Crafts and the Professions" Category and EU Advisor - Federal Committee of Liberal Professions
Portugal – **Dr. Orlando Monteiro da Silva**, President of the National Council of the Professional Orders and of the Portuguese Dental Association
France – **Mr David Gordon-Krief**, President of the National Union of Liberal Professions (TBC)
Germany - **Dr Ulrich Oesingmann**, President of the Federal Association of Liberal Professions
Malta - **Ing. Helga Pizzuto**, President of the Malta Federation of Professional Associations (TBC)
- "*The view of clients and patients*" - **Mr Henri Malosse**, member of the "SME's, Crafts and the Professions" Category and President of Group I
- "*Are Liberal Professions SMEs?*" – **Mr Thomas Palmgren**, spokesperson of the "SME's, Crafts and the Professions" Category

5.00 p.m. Debate

5.30 p.m. Closing remarks by:

- **Mr Carlos Pereira Martins**, spokesperson of the "SME's, Crafts and the Professions" Category

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