

Public Hearing

Negotiating change: the future of ACP-EU relations

Tuesday 20 March, 14h30–17h00

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Room: Altiero Spinelli A3E-2

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Welcome and introduction by Linda McAvan, Chair of the Committee on Development

Setting the scene: Presentation by Professor Ludger Kuehnhardt, Director, Center for European Integration Studies (ZEI), University of Bonn

Panel I: State of play of preparation of the Post Cotonou negotiations

Moderated by Frank Engel

Koen Doens, European Commission, Deputy Director General, DG DEVCO

Sibusisiwe Mngomezulu, Ambassador of Swaziland, Vice-Chairperson, ACP Committee of Ambassadors

Viwanou Gnassounou, Assistant Secretary General, ACP Group of States

Panel II: How to partner with regional organisations and to develop a real multi actor partnership?

Moderated by Norbert Neuser

Maurizio Carbone, Professor of International Relations & Development, Jean Monnet Professor of EU External Policies, Glasgow University

Mohamed Igueh Ofleh, Senior Economist, Permanent Mission of the African Union to the EU

Jean Pierre Elong Mbassi, Secretary General, United Cities and Local Governments of Africa

Karine Sohet, Chair of the CONCORD working group on ACP-EU relations

Conclusions by the two moderators