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# **DRAFT PROGRAMME**

## **HEARING**

### **A COMMON EUROPEAN ASYLUM SYSTEM BY 2012? Asylum and Resettlement**

**Thursday 20 October 2011, 09.00 – 12.30 and 15.00 – 18.30**

**Brussels**

**József Antall building**

**Room JAN 4 Q 002**

## **FIRST PART: ASYLUM**

SESSION I: 09.00 - 10.00

### **THE CURRENT SITUATION IN THE EU AND THE MEMBER STATES**

**Chair: Mr. Juan Fernando LÓPEZ AGUILAR**

Welcome by the Chair, **Mr. Juan Fernando LÓPEZ AGUILAR**, Chairman of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs

**Mr. Jerzy MILLER**, Minister of Internal Affairs and Administration of Poland, Polish Presidency of the Council representing the TRIO Presidency

**Mrs. Maria ÅSENIUS**, Head of Cabinet, Cabinet of Commissioner Cecilia Malmström, European Commission

**Representative for the European Asylum Support Office (tbc)**

**Mrs. Madeline GARLICK**, Head of Unit, Policy and Legal Support Unit, UNHCR - Bureau for Europe

*Discussion*

SESSION II: 10.00 - 10.50

### **BENEFICIARIES OF INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION VULNERABLE PERSONS - SPECIAL NEEDS**

**Chair: Mrs. Jean LAMBERT**

**Mr. Philippe DE BRUYCKER**, Professor and Researcher at the Institute for European Studies and the Law Faculty of ULB, Belgium

**Mrs. Valentine AUDATE**, Coordinator for gender issues, Office of the Commissioner General for Refugees and Stateless Persons, Belgium

**Mr. Jérôme BOILLAT**, Development Director Parcours d'Exil, Member of the Council for Torture Victims (IRCT)

**Mr. S. CHELVAN**, Barrister, London, No5 Chambers, United Kingdom

*Discussion*

SESSION III: 10.50 - 11.35  
MINORS  
**Chair: Mrs. Cecilia WIKSTRÖM**

**Mrs. Hélène LAMBERT**, Professor of International Law at the University of Westminster (tbc)

**Mrs. Rebecca O'DONNELL**, Policy and Advocacy Officer, Asylum and Migration, Save the Children

**Mr. G. F. M. VERSTEGEN**, Director NIDOS, Guardianship agency of unaccompanied minor asylum seekers in the Netherlands

**Representative for the European Asylum Support Office (tbc)**

*Discussion*

SESSION IV: 11.35 - 12.30  
FRONTLOADING  
**Chair: Mrs. Sylvie GUILLAUME**

**Mr. Michele CAVINATO**, Legal Officer, Policy and Legal Support Unit, UNHCR - Bureau for Europe

**Mrs. Ann-Charlotte NYGARD**, Programme Manager, Equality & Citizen's Rights Department, Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA), Vienna

**Mr. Kris POLLET**, Senior Policy Officer, European Council on Refugees and Exiles (ECRE)

**Mrs. Muriel GUIN**, Head of Unit Asylum, European Commission

*Discussion*

SESSION V: 15.00 - 15.50  
ACCESS TO AN EFFECTIVE REMEDY  
**Chair: Mrs. Monica Luisa MACOVEI**

**Representative for the Court of Justice of the European Union**

**Mr. Serge BODART**, former President of the Council for Alien Law Litigations, Belgium, Member of the Council of State, Sc. Coll. at the Institute for European Studies and the Law Faculty of ULB - Belgium

**Mr. Neil FALZON**, Human rights advocate and academic

**Mr. Maarten DEN HEIJER**, Member of the Meijers Committee, Standing committee of experts on international immigration, refugee and criminal law

*Discussion*

SESSION VI: 15.50 - 16.30  
DETENTION  
Chair: Mr. Antonio MASIP HIDALGO

**Mrs. María-Teresa GIL-BAZO**, Director Postgraduate Research Degrees, New Castle Law School

**Mr. Philip AMARAL**, Policy and Communications Officer, Jesuit Refugee Service Europe  
**Representative of the Council of Europe**

*Discussion*

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**SECOND PART: RESETTLEMENT**

SESSION VII: 16.30 - 18.15  
JOINT EU RESETTLEMENT PROGRAMME  
Chair: Mr. Rui TAVARES

**Mr. Johannes VAN GEMUND**, Resettlement Policy Officer, UNHCR - Bureau for Europe

**Mr. Hovig ETYEMEZHIAN**, UNHCR Tunisia

**Mr. Torsten MORITZ**, Executive Secretary for EU policy and projects, the Churches' Commission for Migrants in Europe

**Mrs. Barbara M. THOMAS**, Migration Policy & Refugee Affairs Officer, United States Mission to the European Union

**Representative from Denmark Resettlement Authorities**

*Discussion*

**CONCLUDING REMARKS 18.15 - 18.30**

**By the Chairs of the informal inter-institutional Contact Group on Asylum**

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