

ACP-EU JOINT PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

18 November 2007

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14th SESSION

17 to 22 November 2007

Serena Conference Centre

KIGALI (Rwanda)

FINAL DRAFT AGENDA and WORK PROGRAMME

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APP 100.185

1. **Deadline for tabling questions to the Council and Commission**

- **Thursday 4 October at 4 p.m.**

2. **Deadline for tabling urgent motions for resolutions**

- **Monday 15 October at 4 p.m.**

3. **Deadline for tabling compromise motions for resolutions**

- **Monday, 19 November at 3 p.m.**

4. **Deadline for tabling amendments**

to the motions for resolution included in the reports submitted by the standing committees

- **Monday, 19 November at 6 p.m.**

to compromise resolutions and other urgent motions for resolution to be put to the vote

- **Tuesday, 20 November at 3 p.m.**

5. **Requests relating to voting methods (votes on separate parts of the text, by secret ballot, by separate houses)**

- **Wednesday 21 November at 6 p.m. in writing**

6. **Limitation of speaking time** (cf. Article 14(2) of the Rules of Procedure)

5 minutes for introductory statements

3 minutes for speakers in debates (unless speaking time is allocated differently on the basis of a division of the total time available)

2 minutes for winding up

Other meetings

SATURDAY, 17 November

1 p.m. to 2.30 p.m.

Women's Forum (*Auditorium*)

3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

(simultaneously)

- **Meeting of the Committee on Political Affairs** (*Plenary hall*)
- **Meeting of the Committee on Social Affairs and the Environment** (*Auditorium*)

6 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

- **Meeting of the Committee on Economic Development, Finance and Trade** (*Plenary hall*)

SUNDAY, 18 November

9.30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Visit

4.30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Meeting of the Bureau (*Auditorium*)

MONDAY, 19 November

8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Conciliation meetings on urgent motions for resolution

Topic 1: Natural disasters in ACP States: EU funding for preparedness (EDF funds) and relief (ECHO funds) (*Executive Lounge*)

Topic 2: The situation in the Democratic Republic of Congo, in particular in the East, and its impact on the region (*Auditorium*)

MONDAY, 19 November

11 a.m.

Formal opening sitting of the 14th session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly (Plenary hall)

List of speakers :

Welcome speech by Master of Ceremonies Hon. Gedeon Kayinamura

Welcome speech by Dr Vincent Biruta, Speaker of the Senate

- Mr René Radembino-Coniquet, Co-President of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly
- Mrs Glenys Kinnock, Co-President of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly
- Mr Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda

3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Sitting of the Joint Parliamentary Assembly

Constituent meeting of the Joint Parliamentary Assembly and accreditation of non-parliamentary representatives

1. Adoption of draft agenda
2. Approval of the minutes of the 13th session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly (OJ C 254 of 26.10.2007)
3. **Urgent topic No 1:** Natural disasters in ACP States: EU funding for preparedness (EDF funds) and relief (ECHO funds)
4. Report by Mr Timothy Harris (St Kitts and Nevis) and Mrs Astrid Lulling - **Impact of foreign direct investment (FDI) in the African, Caribbean and Pacific States** (ACP-EU/100.126/fin/07)
Committee on Economic Development, Finance and Trade
5. The situation in Somalia: debate (without resolution)

TUESDAY, 20 November

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

6. Report by Mr Martin Magga (Solomon Islands) and Mr John Bowis - **Access to healthcare and medicines, with a particular focus on neglected diseases** (ACP-EU/100.083/fin/07)
Committee on Social Affairs and the Environment

7. Country and Regional Strategy Papers for the 10th EDF: debate (without resolution)
8. **Urgent topic No 2:** The situation in the Democratic Republic of Congo, in particular in the East, and its impact on the region
9. The EU-Africa Strategy and the EU-Africa Summit: debate (without resolution)

3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

10. Workshops:
 - The Central role of the Gacaca courts in the reconciliation process in Rwanda
 - Health, with particular emphasis on vaccination projects
 - Tourism and Poverty Reduction in Rwanda

WEDNESDAY, 21 November

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

11. Report of the economic and social partners:
 - Migration and development, opportunities and challenges
12. Report by Mrs Betty Amongi (Uganda) and Mr Miguel Angel Martínez Martínez - **Elections and electoral processes in ACP and EU countries** (ACP-EU/100.123/fin/07) Committee on Political Affairs
13. Ratification of the Revised Cotonou Agreement and possible measures for interim funding: debate (without resolution)
14. Summary reports from the workshops
15. **"Kigali Declaration on Trade"**: The state of play of Economic Partnership Agreements and Doha

3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

16. Statement by the Hon. Misa Telefoni, Deputy Prime Minister responsible for Commerce, Industry, Labour and Tourism, (Samoa), President-in-Office of the ACP Council
17. Statement by Mr Joao Cravinho, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs (Portugal), President-in-Office of the EU Council
18. Question Time to the Council
19. Debate with the Council

20. Question Time to the Commission

THURSDAY, 22 November

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

21. Statement by Mr Louis Michel, Member of the Commission with special responsibility for development and humanitarian aid
22. Action taken by the Commission on the resolutions adopted at the 13th session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly, held in Wiesbaden (Germany)
23. Debate with the Commission
24. Vote on the motions for resolution included in the reports submitted by the three standing committees
25. Vote on the urgent motions for resolution
26. *possibly*: Approval of Kigali Declaration on Trade
27. Any other business
28. Date and place of the 15th session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly