



ACP-EU JOINT PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

Committee on Social Affairs and Environment

MINUTES

**of the meeting of Saturday 14 May 2011, 10.00 to 12.30
Budapest (Hungary)**

*The meeting opened at 10.13 on Saturday 14 May 2011,
with Michèle Rivasi (Co-Chair) in the Chair*

1. Adoption of agenda (AP 100.927)

The agenda was adopted without modification.

2. Approval of minutes of the meeting of 16 and 17 March 2011 in Brussels (Belgium) (AP 100.929)

The minutes were approved.

3. Co-Chair's announcements

The Co-Chair made a number of announcements which included information on the three Workshops:

1. Visit to the Agricultural Research Institute of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.
2. Visit to the Andras Peto Institute of conductive education and College for conductor training.
3. Innovation for development: Hungarian cost-effective and sustainable solutions for agriculture, water management and energy.

Other announcements also included information on the official receptions and the opening of the 21st Session of the JPA.

4. The inclusion of persons with disabilities in developing countries

- Exchange of views on the basis of a working document (AP 100.937)

The Co-rapporteurs Kombo Musikari (Kenya) and Catherine Bearder presented the working document, underlining the need to address the discrimination, visibility, education and promotion of inclusiveness of people with disabilities. The Meeting also heard examples of best practices for the inclusion of persons with disabilities and supported the inclusion of specific recommendations in the draft report.

Speakers: Christa Klass, Edit Bauer, Netty Baldeh (Gambia), Emmanuel Dombo (Uganda), Michèle Rivasi and Bruno Gatta (European Commission).

5. Urgent and topical subjects

- The fight against HIV/AIDS, in view of the UN High-Level Meeting in June 2011.

The Committee adopted a draft Declaration entitled "*Uniting for Universal Access in view of the 2011 High Level Meeting on AIDS in June*" to be submitted to the JPA Bureau for its subsequent adoption.

Speakers: Netty Baldeh (Gambia) and Edit Bauer.

The meeting continued with Ana Sithole (Co-Chair) in the chair

6. Water pollution

- Consideration of amendments
- Adoption of draft report (AP100.915/A)

The Co-rapporteurs Bobbo Hamatoukour (Cameroun) and Christa Klass, made some introductory remarks in which they thanked Members for contributing the amendments that enriched the report.

Consideration of 23 amendments and adoption of draft report

Amendments adopted: 1, 3 with a linguistic correction, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15 with an oral am, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23 first part of the am and first part of the split vote on am 23, COMP 1, COMP 2, COMP 3, COMP 4.

Amendments rejected: 4, 20, 2nd part of the split vote on am 23

Amendments fallen: 2, 8, 13

Decision: The amended report was adopted with one vote against.

7. Decision on the title of the next Report

Speakers: Michèle Rivasi, Catherine Bearder, Musikari Kombo (Kenya), Christa Klaß, Fiona Hall, Netty Baldeh (Gambia), Olebile Gaborone (Botswana) and Norbert Neuser.

Decision: The title of the next report will be: *The social and environmental impacts of mining in ACP countries.*

8. Any other business

The Meeting briefly exchanged views on toxic waste shipped to ACP countries.

Speakers: Michèle Rivasi, Catherine Bearder, and Netty Baldeh (Gambia).

9. Date and place of the next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 5 and 6 October 2011 in Brussels (Belgium).

The meeting adjourned at 12.22 pm

LISTE DE PRESENCE/RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

Présents/Present

ACP

Ana Rita Sithole (Mozambique), (Co-Chair)
Kombo (Kenya), (Vice-Chair)
Noel (Grenada), (Vice-Chair)

Thomson (Barbados)
Gaborone (Botswana)
Sanou (Burkina Faso)
Hamatoukour (Cameroun)
Baldeh (Gambia)
Tozaka (Solomon Islands)
Ndugai (Tanzania)
Khan (Trinidad & Tobago)

PE/EP

Rivasi, (Co-Chair) (Verts/ALE)
Bauer, (Vice-Chair) (PPE)

Bearder (ALDE)
Christensen (S&D)
Engel (for Ronzulli) (PPE)
Hall (ALDE)
Haug (S&D)
Klaß (PPE)
Neuser (S&D)
Aylward (for De Sarnez) (ALDE)

Egalement présents/Also present

ACP

Nhleko (Swaziland), Nzowa (Tanzania), Jerome Joseph (Trinidad & Tobago), Ouedraogo, Compaore, Ouaba Naba (Burkina Faso), Mwidogo, Ndikumako, Sindayigaya (Burundi), Hajaig, Mulder, Paulsen, Wagkar, Mahlangu, Cupolo, Mguli, Sooklal (South Africa), Dombo, Katenta-Apuuli, Mugambe, Kagoro, Kiiza, Ogwal (Uganda), Seramila (Madagascar), Kawara (Djibouti), Hamdi, Martha, Wani, Dut, Okech, Awerial (Sudan), Kalombo (DRC), Slater (St.Vincent & the Grenadines), Rothipal, Abdoel (Suriname), Mnkandhla (Zimbabwe), Njiru, Laboso (Kenya), Igueh (African Union)

Commission européenne/European Commission

Gatta

European Council

Costa

Groupes politiques/Political groups

Kosinska (PPE)
Mutafchieva (S&D)
Desnuelle (ALDE)
Walelign (GUE)

Co-secrétariat ACP/Co-secretariat ACP

Kakule

Co-secrétariat PE/Co-secretariat EP

Pribaz, Douaud, Bilquin

Assistance/Assisted by

Canart, Jacques