

*Delegation for relations with Japan*

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**MINUTES**  
of the meeting of 23 February 2010, from 11.30 to 12.30  
BRUSSELS

The meeting opened at 11.40 on Tuesday, 23 February 2010, with Johannes Cornelis van Baalen (Chair) in the chair.

**1. Adoption of the draft agenda (PE 432.715)**

The agenda was adopted without modifications.

**2. Approval of the minutes of the meetings of 2 December 2009 (PE 432.706)  
and of 9 December 2009 (PE 432.710)**

The minutes were adopted without modifications.

**3. Communications by the Chair**

Mr Van Baalen welcomes the Members of the Contact Group Japan of the European Economic and Social Committee (Ms Eve PÄÄRENDSÖN - President, Ms Erika KOLLER and Mr Krzysztof PATER) who were invited to the meeting for an exchange of views.

He informs the Members about the Symposium on Japan of 9th February jointly organized by the European Commission and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan.

**4. Evaluation of the preparatory meeting in view of the 31st EP - Japan IPM which took place on 9 December 2009 in Brussels**

The Chair underlines the success of the Japanese visit and informs the Members that the next EU - Japan IPM will take place from 1 to 3 June 2010.

## **5. Exchange of views with the Members of the Contact Group Japan of the European Economic and Social Committee**

Ms Päärendson presents the tasks and the activity of the Contact Group Japan. She points out the importance of a good cooperation between the European Parliament and the EESC. She emphasizes the importance of the Contact Group as an active player in the reflection process on how to replace the 2001 EU-Japan Action Plan once it elapses in 2011. She also thinks that an analysis of the current EU - Japan Action is necessary and useful.

Ms Koller and Mr Pater take also the floor, adding more information on the current and future Contact Group's activity.

Ms Brepoels inquires about the financing of Contact Group Japan activities and she expresses her interest to have access to an analysis on the current Joint Plan if this already exists.

Mr Van Baalen asks the guests if, during their last trip to Japan in November 2009, they could observe any change in the Japanese civil society due to the change of Government after August 2009 elections.

Ms Päärendson mentions that the freedom for the citizens' initiative and the openness of the Hatoyama Government towards the civil society are notable.

Mr Koller considers that an increasing interest for the EU and for the European culture and mentality is also evident.

Ms Brepoels thinks that a common agenda of the EP Delegation Japan and the EESC Contact Group could be useful and constructive.

Mr Van Baalen proposes to hold joint EP Delegation / EESC Contact Group Japan meetings on a regular basis.

Ms Päärendson agrees and thanks for the Chair's proposal and invites the Members of the Delegation to participate in the next EESC event on Japan which will take place on 28 May 2010.

## **6. Any other business**

None.

## **7. Date and place of next meeting**

The next meeting will take place on 23 March at 11.30 in Brussels.

The meeting closed at 12.20.

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