



Delegation for relations with the Mercosur countries

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of the meeting of 20 October 2011, from 9.00 to 10.30
Brussels

The meeting opened at 9.10 on Thursday, 20 October 2011, with Nuno Melo (first Vice-Chair) in the chair.

1. Adoption of draft agenda (PE 446.785v01)

The draft agenda was adopted.

2. Approval of minutes of the meeting of 6 July 2011 (PE 446.779v01)

The minutes were approved.

3. State of the EU-Brazil strategic Partnership, following the summit of 4 October 2011 in Brussels. Exchange of views with Brazil's Ambassador to the EU, Ricardo Neiva Tavares, and the Director for the Americas in the European External Action Service, Tomás Duplá del Moral.

Ambassador Neiva Tavares said that the parties had agreed at the summit to intensify political dialogue in order to achieve greater convergence of their respective positions on the major world challenges and at the principal international conferences and summits, in particular the G20 summit at Cannes, the conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP-17) in Durban, and the UN Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20). He also informed Members that both parties had adopted a new Joint Action Plan for 2012-2014, which apart from strengthening the existing political dialogue on higher education, cooperation and academic mobility, scientific research, technology and innovation, had opened up new areas of dialogue on topics relating to United Nations, combating drugs and climate

change.

Mr Duplá del Moral stressed that the leaders had discussed, among other topics, the international economic situation, climate change, the outlook for the Rio+20 conference, energy-related topics and foreign policy issues, in particular the situation in Libya and Syria, and had reiterated their support for the conclusion of an ambitious and far-reaching EU-Mercosur Association Agreement. Turning to bilateral matters, Mr Duplá del Moral noted that three letters of intention had been signed, establishing dialogue and cooperation on civil space policies, tourism and applied research, and the creation of a joint cultural programme. In conclusion, he welcomed the strengthening of interparliamentary relations between the European Parliament and the Brazilian Congress and emphasised their important role in extending the Strategic Partnership.

Speakers: Edite Estrela, Ilda Figueiredo, Jean-Pierre Audy and the Chair

4. Presentation of the European Economic and Social Committee's opinion: 'Towards an EU-Mercosur Association Agreement: civil society's contribution', by the rapporteur, Councillor José María Zufiaur, followed by an exchange of views

Councillor Zufiaur highlighted the vast economic potential offered by the association agreement to both sides, pointing out that Mercosur had no trade agreements with the EU's main rivals, China and the United States. He also warned of the need to foresee measures to counter the negative impact of the association agreement on some economic sectors in the EU. Mr Zufiaur emphasised the tremendous political importance of the association agreement for the EU, as it would strengthen bi-regional cooperation in the international fora and counterbalance the privileged relationship currently existing between Latin America and the Pacific region. He concluded by calling for the inclusion in the agreement of a sustainable development component and for increased participation by civil society in the respective negotiations.

Speakers: Edite Estrela and the Chair

5. Visit by a working party to Uruguay, Paraguay and the Mercosur Parliament (31 October to 4 November 2011)

The Chair informed Members about the draft programme for the forthcoming visit to Uruguay, Paraguay and the Mercosur Parliament by a Delegation working group, which would concentrate on analysing bilateral relations and the negotiations for the association agreement.

6. Other business

There was none.

7. Date and place of next meeting

The next meeting of the delegation, which had been scheduled to coincide with the activities of the EuroLat Assembly in Brussels, would take place on 22 November 2011, from 15.00 to 16.30.

The meeting closed at 10.15.

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S.E. Ricardo Neiva Tavares, Embajador Brasil ante la UE;; José María Zufiaur, Consejero CESE; Tomás Duplá del Moral, Director EEAS

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