

For the Committee on Foreign Affairs (AFET), the Committee on Development (DEVE) and the Delegation for relations with Afghanistan

WORKSHOP: AFGHANISTAN - CHALLENGES AND PERSPECTIVES UNTIL 2020

Thursday, 17 November 2016, 9:00- 11:30

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Brussels **Altiero Spinelli** Building, room **ASP A3G3**

PROGRAMME

9:00-9:15 **Introductory remarks**

Welcome by the Chair of the Delegation for relations with Afghanistan,

MEP **Petras AUŠTREVČIUS**

Short address by Mr **Ahmad Seyar MAALIJI**, Chargé d'affaires of the Embassy and Mission of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan in Brussels

9:15-9:55 **Panel on the political situation** and prospects of Afghanistan,
moderated by MEP **Petras AUŠTREVČIUS**

- Presentation of Mr **Richard GHIASY**, Researcher and project manager at the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI).
- Presentation by Ms **Paola PAMPALONI**, Head of Division for Afghanistan, Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Maldives, European External Action Service

Debate

9:55-10:35 **Panel on the security situation** and prospects of Afghanistan,
moderated by MEP **Petras AUŠTREVČIUS**

- Presentation by Ms **Mona Kanwal SHEIKH**, senior researcher at the Danish Institute for International Studies (DIIS).
- Presentation by Mr **Marc FRANCIS**, Operations policy officer for Afghanistan, North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO)

Debate

10:35-11:15 **Panel on the socio-economic development** and prospects of Afghanistan,
moderated by MEP **Nirj DEVA**

- Presentation by Mr **Arne STRAND**, Director of the U4 Anti-Corruption Resource Centre at the Chr. Michelsen Institute, and coordinator at the Norwegian Centre for Humanitarian Studies
- Presentation by Mr **Pierre AMILHAT**, Director for Development Coordination - Asia, Central Asia, Middle East/Gulf and Pacific, European Commission, DG DEVCO

Debate

11:00-11:15 **Concluding remarks by the Chair of the Delegation for relations with Afghanistan,**
MEP Petras AUŠTREVČIUS