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39th EU-Canada Inter-parliamentary meeting

Ottawa and British Columbia

7-11 May 2018



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Ottawa - Monday, 7 May 2018

- 08.30 -10.00 Briefing by H.E. Peteris Ustubs, EU Ambassador to Canada
- 10.15 Meetings with senior Canadian government officials.
- 10h15-10h50 (35 min.): Canadian trade policy (presenter: André-François Giroux, Director of Trade Agreements)
- 10h50-11h25 (35 min.): Indigenous affairs (presenter: Kate Ledgerwood, Director, Federal Coordination.)
- 11h25-11h45 (20 min.): Comfort break*
- 11h45-12h20 (35 min.): Natural resources (energy) (presenter: Jean-Francois Gagne, Director of the International Energy Branch)
- 12h20-12h55 (35 min.): Environment and Climate Change (presenter: Lucie Desforges, Director General, Multilateral and Bilateral Affairs and North America)
- 13:00 Lunch – own arrangements
- 14:30 Delegation greeted by Guyanne Desforges, Association Secretary and / or Alena Blouin, Protocol Officer
- 15:00 Welcome and opening session of the 39st EU Canada Inter-Parliamentary Meeting by CAEU Scott Simms and Mr. Bernd Kölmel, Head of European Delegation
- 15.15 Working Session with all delegates: Recent political and economic developments in Canada and the EU
- 16:15 Panel no. 1: Environment/ Climate Change**
- Guest Speakers:**
- M.P. Jonathan Wilkinson, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change
- M.P. Deborah Schulte, Chair of the Standing Committee of Environment and Sustainable Development
- Senator Kim Pate

Other experts:

Ms. Lucie Desforges, Director General, Multilateral and Bilateral Affairs and North America, Environment and Climate Change Canada

Brief presentations by invited Parliamentarians followed by open discussion with all participants and Q&A

Room 306, Valour Building

17:30

Departure for Reception by bus

18:00

Official Europe Day Reception, hosted by EU Ambassador Ustubs

19:00

Dinner hosted by President of CAEU, Mr. Scott Simms, M.P.

Ottawa - Tuesday, 8 May 2018

9:00

Panel no. 2: Discussion and Update on CETA - Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) and the Strategic Partnership Agreement (SPA) and NAFTA

Guest Speakers:

M.P. Andrew Leslie, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs (Canada-U.S. Relations)

M.P. Wayne Easter, Co-Chair of Canada-US Parliamentary Association

Senator Michael McDonald, Co-Chairs of Canada-US Parliamentary Association.

Other experts:

Mr. André-François Giroux, Director, Trade Agreements, Global Affairs Canada

Gary Pringle, Deputy Director (EU Relations), Global Affairs Canada

Brief presentations by invited Parliamentarians followed by open discussion with all participants and Q&A

11:00 **Panel no. 3: Migration and Refugees**

Guest Speakers:

M.P. Serge Cormier, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Immigration Refugees and Citizenship

M.P. Michelle Rempel, Opposition Parliamentary Critic for Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship

Senator Mobina Jaffer, Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on National Security and Defence

Senator Ratna Omidvar, Member of the Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology

Other experts:

Brief presentations by invited Parliamentarians followed by open discussion with all participants and Q&A

Room 306, Valour Building

12:00 Group Photo

12:30 **Lunch hosted by CAEU President, Mr. Scott Simms, M.P.**

Venue: Parliamentary Restaurant

14h15 Speaker's Gallery for QP

Vancouver/Victoria - Wednesday, 9 May 2018

09.00 **Departure of Flight #207 to Victoria**

09.35 **Arrival at Victoria's Inner Harbour and transfer to Provincial government / Legislative Assembly of British Columbia in Victoria**

10.00 Arrival at the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia and group photo in front of BC and EU flag flown especially on Europe Day

10.15 – 10:45 Meeting with the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, followed by photo op

10:45 – 11:00	Comfort Break
11:00 - 11.45:	Meeting with Mr Rob Flemming, Minister of Education of British Columbia
11:45 – 13:00	Lunch meeting with Mr. Bruce Ralston, Minister of Jobs, Trade and Technology of British Columbia
13:00 - 13:15:	Comfort Break
13:15	Group accompanied to Members' Gallery by Ms. Frances Gorman
13:30 14:00:	Formal Introduction to the Legislative Assembly
14:00 -14:30:	Question Period
14:30 – 15:00	Meeting with Mr George Heyman, Minister of the Environment of British Columbia
15:30	Arrival at Michael Williams Lobby Boardroom 220 University of Victoria
15:40	Welcome by Lisa Kalynchuk. Associate Vice-President Research at University of Victoria
15:45	Remarks by President Cassels, President of the University of Victoria
16:00	Depart for Ocean Networks Canada Building
16:05	Ocean Networks Canada staff provide tours of equipment and instruments and overview of program initiatives
16:40	Depart Ocean Networks Canada <i>Venue: Room 155 2300 McKenzie, Gabriola Rd, Victoria</i>
18.00	<i>Departure of Flight #224 to Vancouver</i>
19:00-21:00	European Chamber of Commerce in Canada West/Italian Chamber of Commerce " The Authentic Italian Taste " reception

Vancouver - Thursday, 10 May 2018

- 9:00 Arrival at Institute for European Studies University of British Columbia
Dr. Murali Chandrashekar Vice Provost, International
Dr. Antje Ellerman, Director of the IES
- 9.15 Meeting with members of the UBC Migration Cluster: Learning from
Canada?
- 11.00 Presentation James Tamsey, Director Centre for Interactive Research
on Sustainability at UBC
- Venue: 2260 West Mall, Vancouver*
- 11.35 Presentation on Brock Commons
- 12.00 *Bus to Brock Commons*
- 12.30 Visit to the Clean Energy Research Centre of the University of British
Columbia (CERC)
Venue: tbc
- 13.30 Lunch talk by Dr. Hoberg, Liu Institute for Global Issues: ‘Natural
Resource Politics and First Nations Interests’
- 14.30 Meeting at the David Suzuki Foundation
- 16:00 Meeting with the Greater Vancouver Board of Trade

Vancouver - Friday, 11 May 2018

- 08:30 Meeting with the Vancouver Economic Commission
- 10:00 Meeting with Jill Tipping, CEO, BC Tech
- 11:00 *Transfer by EP bus*
- 11:30 Meeting and lunch at Immigrant Services Society of BC (ISSofBC)
- 11:30-11:45 Welcome and brief introduction on ISSofBC from leadership team

11:45-12:30	Tour and interaction with staff
12:30-13:30	Lunch and discussion with staff and management
15:00	Debrief and evaluation
17:00	End of programme and individual departures