

MEETING
THURSDAY 26 MARCH 2015
9.00 - 12.30 public meeting

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1. AGENDA

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2. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman draws attention to the following points:

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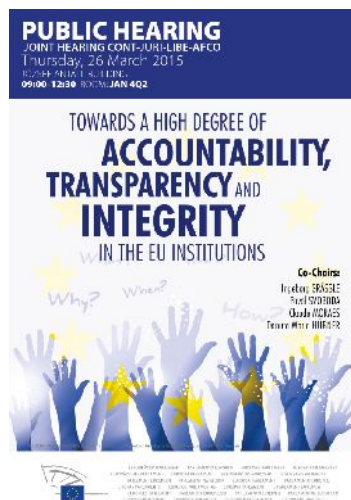
Co-Chairs:

- Ingeborg Gräßle (PPE) - CONT
- Pavel Svoboda (PPE) - JURI
- Danuta Maria Hübner (PPE) - AFCO
- Claude Moraes (S&D) - LIBE

Administrators:

Olivier Sautière - CONT
 Letizia Zuleta de Reales Ansaldo - JURI
 Paolo Meucci - AFCO
 Claudine Jacob - LIBE

3. JOINT HEARING WITH CONT, JURI, AFCO AND LIBE ON 'TOWARDS A HIGH DEGREE OF ACCOUNTABILITY, TRANSPARENCY AND INTEGRITY IN THE EU INSTITUTIONS'



The organisation of the joint-hearing at the request of CONT, JURI, AFCO and LIBE committees is a good opportunity to allow a deep discussion at the European Parliament level about crucial issues of accountability, transparency and integrity of the EU institutions and about possible further developments related to these issues.

Considering the improvements made by the European Commission to the applicable revised Code of Conduct for Commissioners, and the critical analysis of the Parliament, one of the main objective for the CONT, JURI, AFCO, LIBE Members would be to find out if there is still room for further development and to what extent the accepted and implemented improvements achieved by the Commission could be used to increase the level of transparency within other European institutions and consequently the trust of EU citizens. Furthermore, the promotion of highest standards of integrity within the EU institutions, particularly the ethical questions regarding lobbying practices and transparency register, as well as the ways of preventing corruption in the EU represent key-matters of interest that will be dealt with during this joint-hearing.

On this occasion, the key conclusions of the Transparency International Report on 'the European Union Integrity System', the first ever comprehensive review of corruption and integrity risks in the EU institutions, will also be presented.

Eight participants are invited to give their views on these issues and to identify possible ways to further developments:

- Mr Carl Dolan, Director of the Transparency International EU liaison office,
- Vice-President Ms Kristalina Georgieva,
- Mr Roland Blomeyer, Consultant,
- Ms Emily O'Reilly, European Ombudsman,
- Mr Daniel Guéguen, Head of strategy & lobbying at PACT European Affairs and Professor at the College of Europe,
- Mr Raj Chari, Associate Professor at Trinity College Dublin and former expert for the Venice Commission of the Council of Europe,
- Mr Matthias Ruete, Director-General of the Directorate General for Migration and Home Affairs (DG HOME),
- Mr Wolfgang Rau, Executive Secretary, GRECO Secretariat, Directorate General of Legal Affairs and Human Rights, Council of Europe.

The Joint Hearing is organized in four parts that will be respectively introduced by the Co-Chairs: **Ms Ingeborg Gräble** - Chair of the Committee on Budgetary Control, **Mr Pavel Svoboda** - Chair of the Committee on Legal Affairs, **Ms Maria Danuta Hübner** - Chair of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs, **Mr Claude Moraes** - Chair of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs.



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NEXT MEETINGS (BRUSSELS)

- **13 April 2015, 15.00 – 18.30 and**
- **14 April 2015, 9.00 – 12.30 and 15.00 – 18.30**