



MEETING OF TUESDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2016

09:00 - 11:30

Brussels

Room: Altiero Spinelli (1G-2)

1. AGENDA

The draft agenda (in EN) was emailed to Members on 4 February 2016 and is in the [file for this meeting](#).

2. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman draws attention to the following points:

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PUBLIC MEETING

3. WORKSHOP ON JOINT UNDERTAKINGS DISCHARGE: SUCCESS STORIES AND DIFFICULTIES SEEN FROM THE BENEFICIARIES' PERSPECTIVE



Rapporteur: [Marian-Jean Marinescu](#) (PPE)

Administrator: Michal Czaplicki

The rapporteur considers that the perspective of the beneficiaries of the Joint Undertakings is not given prominence during the annual discharge procedure. Often their views are not taken duly into consideration when discussing the issues of budgetary and financial management. In order to sufficiently take into account the opinion of the beneficiaries, the rapporteur would like to gain first hand insight into their practical experience with EU funding. Consequently he would like to go beyond the formal discharge procedure, and hear the beneficiaries how they use the funds allocated to them and what are the success stories, what difficulties are they encountering when implementing the projects. The Parliament's review of spending should not stop at checking the documents and reports received, but should also include a direct exchange of view with the beneficiaries.



Beneficiaries will be expected to address issues such as the types of grants, eligibility conditions and ineligible costs, rights and obligations of beneficiaries, use of in-kind contributions, implementation of action tasks by subcontractors, submission of deliverables, reporting, checks, reviews, audits, dissemination and communication of results, visibility of support, and ownership of results.

The beneficiaries who will take the floor and share with the CONT Members their experiences are:

- Dr Jan van den Biesen, Head of Public R&D Programs, Vice President, Phillips Group Innovation, Phillips Research (on experience with ECSEL, - title TBC),
- Mr Massimo Garbini, Managing Director, SESAR Deployment Manager (on experience with SESAR JU),
- Dr Catalin Nae, General manager INCAS Romania (associate partner in SFWA and GRA) (on experience with Clean Sky),
- Dr Ing. Angelo Moreno, ENEA Italy (on experience with FCH),
- Mr Paul Lucchese, CEA, Centre d'Intégration Nano-Innov de Paris-Saclay (on experience with FCH),
- Mr Menno Aarnout, Executive Director of the International Association of Mutual Benefit Societies (AIM) (on experience with IMI),
- Dr Michael Peiniger, Managing Director, RI Research Instruments GmbH, Germany, (on experience with ITER).

NEXT MEETING

- **22 February 2016, 15.00-18.30 (Brussels)**
- **23 February 2016, 09.00-12.30 and 15.00-18.30 (Brussels)**
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