



Seminar for journalists

The Future of the EU Budget

The Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2014 -2020

Wednesday 7 November 2012, 08:45 - 16:30 hrs

Room 7 C 050, Paul-Henri Spaak building, European Parliament, Brussels

Draft programme

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- from 08:45 **Arrival and registration**
(Altiero Spinelli building, entrance via Agora Simone Veil)
Coffee outside the meeting room
- 09:15 - 09:45 **Opening and introduction to the workshop**
Yannis Darmis & Paula Fernández Hervás, EP officials, Press Service
- An introduction to the European Parliament**
Decision-making in the European Union and the role of the Parliament
Jack Blackwell, EP official, Press Service
- 9:45 - 10:20 **The EU budget at a glance/ State of play of the MFF**
Technical briefing (off-the-record)
- Ron Korver, EP press officer for budgetary affairs*
Julio Guzmán Rodríguez, EP official, Budgets Committee
- 10:20 - 11:10 **Europe's competitiveness machinery and investing in long term growth**
How programmes financed by the EU contribute to growth and what is at stake in the MFF debate
- MEP Danuta Maria HÜBNER (EPP, PL) Chair Regional Development Committee (tbc)*
MEP Brian SIMPSON (S&D, UK), Chair Transport Committee (tbc)
MEP Teresa RIERA MADURELL (S&D, ES), Rapporteur Research programme (tbc)
- Moderated by: EP official, Press Service*

11:10 - 13:00 **A new financial framework for the EU**

Exchange of views with Members of the EP Budgets Committee: reactions from political groups

MEP Reimer BÖGE (EPP, DE), Rapporteur MFF

MEP Ivailo KALFIN (S&D, BG), Rapporteur MFF

MEP Jan MULDER (ALDE, NL), Coordinator

MEP Helga TRÜPEL (Greens, DE), Coordinator

MEP Alda SOUSA (GUE/NGL, PT)

MEP Marta ANDREASEN (EFD, UK), Coordinator

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13:00 **Break**

Reception (venue TBC)

14:30 - 16:30 **State of play of discussions and expectations**

MEP Alain LAMASSOURE (EPP, FR), Chair Budgets Committee (tbc)

Andreas MAVROYIANNIS, Cyprus Deputy Minister for European Affairs

Janusz LEWANDOWSKI, Member of the European Commission

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