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On the occasion of the first anniversary of the entry into office of the Barroso II Commission, the Bureau of European Policy Advisors (BEPA), in conjunction with the European Commission's Legal Service and in cooperation with the Directorate-General for Education and Culture, is organising a high level international conference on the potential implications of the implementation of the Lisbon Treaty for the European integration process.

The event seeks to provide a valuable opportunity for an informed debate and open discussion on the novelties that the Lisbon Treaty brings to furthering the European project.

The conference will examine the Lisbon Treaty's actual and foreseeable impact on the Union's policy-making process and will particularly focus on three areas:

- the new inter-institutional balance in EU rule making;
- the post-Lisbon architecture in the field of external action;
- the EU's system of judicial protection under the Lisbon Treaty.

European Commission President José Manuel Barroso will open the conference with a keynote address.

European Court of Justice President Vassilios Skouris will close the event with his remarks.

Other confirmed distinguished participants and speakers have accepted our invitation and are included in the conference programme overleaf.

Working languages: English, French and German with interpretation

# CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

## 9 February

**12.00** Registration  
entrance Rue Ravenstein 2

**13.00** Welcome buffet-lunch  
Panoramic Hall

**14.30** **Welcome and introduction** by Jean-Claude Thébault, Director-General, Bureau of European Policy Advisers, European Commission  
Silver Hall

**14.45** **Keynote speech by José Manuel Barroso, President of the European Commission**  
Silver Hall

**15.15** **Panel discussion**  
Silver Hall  
Chair: Jean-Claude Piris, former Legal Counsel, Council of the EU and former Director-General of its Legal Service

Speakers: Antonio Vitorino, former European Commissioner for Justice and Home Affairs; Minister Mikołaj Dowgielewicz, Polish Secretary of State for European Affairs and Economic Policy; Alain Lamassoure, MEP

**16.15 – 16.30** Coffee break  
Foyer Silver Hall

**16.30 – 17.45** **Working Session 1: Making EU rules: the new inter-institutional dynamics**

### **Parallel sub-sessions:**

#### **1) The EU decision-making process**

Room 211 / 212 Chair: Prof. Luís Miguel Póiares Maduro, European University Institute

Speakers: György Schöpflin, MEP; Prof. Dusan Sidjanski, Special Adviser to the European Commission President; Paolo Ponzano, European University Institute and Special Adviser to European Commission Vice-President Šefčovič

Rapporteur: Janis Emmanouilidis, European Policy Centre

#### **2) The EU tools for implementation: comitology, delegated acts and agencies**

Room 214 / 216 Chair: Jaime Mayor Oreja, MEP and former Spanish Minister of Interior

Speakers: Ben Smulders, Legal Service, European Commission; Prof. Thomas Christiansen, Maastricht University; Prof. Paul Craig, University of Oxford

Rapporteur: Antoine Buchet, General Secretariat, European Commission

#### **3) EU law and national law: the case of economic governance**

Silver Hall Chair: António José Cabral, Senior Adviser to European Commission President

Speakers: Prof. Franz Mayer, Universität Bielefeld; Prof. Jean-Victor Louis, formerly, Institut d'Etudes européennes, Université Libre de Bruxelles; Jean-Paul Gauzès, MEP

Rapporteur: Margaritis Schinas, Deputy Head, Bureau of European Policy Advisers, European Commission

**18.00 – 19.00**    **Wrap-up Plenary Session chaired by Androulla Vassiliou, European Commissioner for Education, Culture, Multilingualism and Youth**  
*Silver Hall*

Presentation by rapporteurs followed by panel discussion with Klaus-Heiner Lehne, MEP and Prof. Daniel Dăianu, National School of Political and Administrative Studies, former Romanian Finance Minister and former MEP

**19.00**                    **Aperitif and dinner (by invitation only) with keynote speech by Maroš Šefčovič, European Commission Vice-President, Inter-institutional Relations and Administration**  
*Panoramic Hall*

## **10 February**

**09.00**                    Registration  
*entrance Rue Ravenstein 2*

**09.45 – 11.00**    **Working Session 2: External action: a new architecture?**

### **Parallel sub-sessions:**

#### **1) Negotiation of international agreements and EU representation in multilateral bodies**

*Room 211 / 212*    Chair: José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, MEP

Speakers: David O'Sullivan, Chief Operating Officer, European External Action Service; Prof. Jan Wouters, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven; Prof. Inge Govaere, College of Europe and Ghent University

Rapporteur: Piotr Maciej Kaczyński, Centre for European Policy Studies

#### **2) The EU external competencies: rationalisation and coherence**

*Room 214 / 216*    Chair: Paulo Vizeu Pinheiro, Diplomatic Adviser to European Commission President

Speakers: Pieter Jan Kuijper, Universiteit van Amsterdam; Prof. Richard Whitman, University of Bath; Alexander Graf Lambsdorff, MEP

Rapporteur: Peter Dun, Bureau of European Policy Advisers, European Commission

#### **3) The EEAS role in the context of distribution of powers in today's world**

*Hall 400*                    Chair: Jacek Saryusz-Wolski, MEP

Speakers: Pierre Vimont, Secretary General, European External Action Service; Andrew Duff, MEP; Roberto Gualtieri, MEP

Rapporteur: Antonio Missiroli, Bureau of European Policy Advisers, European Commission

**11.00 – 11.30**    Coffee break  
*Panoramic Hall*

**11.30 – 12.30**    **Wrap-up Plenary Session chaired by Prof. Dusan Sidjanski, Special Adviser to European Commission President**  
*Hall 400*

Presentation by rapporteurs followed by panel discussion with Franziska Brantner, MEP and Ambassador Philippe de Schoutheete, former Belgian Representative to the EU and Board member, Egmont

**12.30 – 14.00** Buffet-lunch  
Panoramic Hall

**13.45-14.00** **Introductory Address on "The EU system of judicial protection after Lisbon" by Viviane Reding, European Commission Vice-President, Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship**  
Panoramic Hall

**14.15 – 15.30** **Final Session: The EU system of judicial protection after Lisbon**

**Parallel sub-sessions:**

**1) Fundamental rights: the Charter's added value**

Room 211 / 212 Chair: Franklin Dehousse, Judge, General Court

Speakers: Prof. Sacha Prechal, Judge, European Court of Justice; Prof. Florence Benoît-Rohmer, Université Robert Schuman and European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation; Luis Romero Requena, Director-General, Legal Service, European Commission

Rapporteur: Prof. Lucia Rossi, Interdepartmental Research Centre on European Law, University of Bologna

**2) The EU's judicial protection and interaction with national system**

Hall 400 Chair: Ana de Palacio, former Spanish Foreign Affairs Minister and former MEP

Speakers: Minister Sabine Leutheusser-Schnarrenberger, German Federal Minister of Justice; Prof. Sir Francis Jacobs, King's College London; Prof. Christiaan Timmermans, Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam and European University Institute, and former judge, European Court of Justice

Rapporteur: Jean-Paul Keppenne, Legal Service, European Commission

**15.30 – 16.00** Coffee break  
Panoramic Hall

**16.00 – 16.45** **Final Plenary Session co-chaired by Jean-Claude Thébaud, Director-General, Bureau of European Policy Advisers and Luis Romero Requena, Director-General, Legal Service**  
Hall 400

Presentation by rapporteurs followed by panel discussion including Prof. Nanette Neuwahl, Université de Montréal and Michel Petite, former Director-General, Legal Service, European Commission

**17.00** **Concluding address by Vassilios Skouris, President of the European Court of Justice**  
Hall 400

**17.30** End of Conference