



**MALTA EU 2017**  
PARLIAMENTARY DIMENSION

# Meeting of the Chairpersons of Economic and Environmental Affairs Committees

## **Draft Programme**

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**6 – 7 APRIL 2017**  
**MALTA**

**Thursday, 6 April 2017**

- 15:00 – 19:00** Arrival of delegations and registration at the hotels
- 19:00** Departure from the hotels to the dinner venue
- 19:30** Dinner hosted by Hon. Silvio Schembri, *Chairman of the Economic and Financial Affairs Committee*
- Venue: Maritime Museum, Ex-Naval Bakery, Vittoriosa Waterfront*
- 22:00** Return to the hotels

**Friday, 7 April 2017**

- 08:15** Departure by bus from the conference hotels to the Grand Hotel Excelsior, Great Siege Road, Floriana
- 09:00** **Opening of the meeting**
- Welcome address by Hon. Angelo Farrugia, *Speaker of the House of Representatives*
- Introductory remarks by Hon. Silvio Schembri, *Chairman of the Economic and Financial Affairs Committee*
- Speech by Mr Miguel Arias Cañete, *European Commissioner for Climate Action and Energy* (tbc)
- Speech by Prof. Simone Borg, *Ambassador for Malta on Climate Change Issues*

**09:30****Session I: The Economic and Social Impact of Climate Change – the costs of doing nothing**

**Moderator:** Prof. Simone Borg, *Ambassador for Malta on Climate Change Issues*

**Keynote Speaker:** Ms Patricia Espinosa, *Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)* (tbc)

**Speaker:** Mr Eric Solheim, *Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)* (tbc)

Debate

**11:00****Coffee Break****11:30****Session II: Financing the cost of taking action – climate change as an exciting opportunity for non-state actors****Part A - Public and Private Financing**

**Moderator:** Mr Michael Zammit Cutajar, *Malta's Former Ambassador for Climate Change* (tbc)

**Keynote Speaker:** Mr Sean Kidney, *CEO and Co-Founder of the Climate Bonds Initiative*

**Speaker:** Mr Felipe Calderón Hinojosa, *Chairperson of the Global Commission on the Economy and Climate* (tbc)

**Speaker:** Dr Philip von Brockdorff, *Head of Department of Economics, Faculty of Economics, Management and Accountancy, University of Malta* (tbc)

Debate

- 13:00**                      **Official Photo**
- Lunch**
- 14:30**                      **Session III: Financing the cost of taking action – climate change is an exciting opportunity for non-state actors**
- Part B – Practical discussion on the involvement of non-state actors**
- Speaker:** Mr David Xuereb, *CEO, QP Management*
- Speaker:** tbc
- Debate
- 16:00**                      **Closing of the meeting**
- 16:15**                      **Departure of delegations**