



**CHAIRPERSONS MEETING  
FINANCE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEES**

**Financial and fiscal issues including:  
the financial transaction tax, the multiannual financial framework and  
parliamentary control of the new Budget Pact**

**COPENHAGEN, 19 - 20 MARCH 2012  
VERSION: 8/03/2012**

## Draft Program

### 19 March: The proposed tax on financial transactions and the multiannual financial framework

11:00 – 12:45 Arrival at the Hotel – Registration

12:45 Coaches depart from the Hotel to Christiansborg

13:00 Welcome Address by Marianne Jelved, Chairman of the Danish Parliament's Finance Committee

13.05 Introduction to the Conference by Margrethe Vestager, Danish Minister for Economics and the Interior (confirmed)

#### Part 1: Tax on financial transactions

*A global or European transaction tax? - The EU's proposed transaction tax as a new revenue stream for the EU*

13.20 Presentation by the European Commission:

- Algirdas Gediminas Šemeta - EU Commissioner for Taxation and Customs Union, including the proposal for a European transaction tax (confirmed)

13:40 How will Banks and their customers react to a Tobintax?

- Anders Dam, managing director Jyske Bank (confirmed)

14.00 Discussion / Questions to panel

*The proposed tax on financial transactions seen in a historic perspective. The key question to be examined is whether a tax on financial transactions is a suitable instrument to eliminate or at least limit financial speculation.*

14.35 Can a financial transaction tax make the financial sector function more efficiently?

- Jesper Jespersen, Roskilde University Centre (confirmed)

14:55 Financial Transaction Tax from an Economist's Point of View

- Martin Kyed, CEPOS (independent Danish think tank) (confirmed)

15:15 Discussion / Questions to the panel

15:50 Coffee Break

**Part 2: The Commission's proposal for the multiannual financial framework (2014-2020)  
as a tool to help us out of the economic crisis**

16.20 Presentation by:

- Janusz Lewandowski - EU Commissioner for financial programming and budget (confirmed)

16:35 Intervention by:

- Alain LAMASSOURE, Chairman of the European Parliament's Committee on Budgets (confirmed)

16:50 Discussion / Questions to the panel

17:45 End of Day 1

18:00 Coaches depart from Christiansborg to the Hotel

19:15 Transportation from the Hotel to Trekroner Søfort

19:30 Dinner hosted by the Finance and Fiscal Affairs Committee at the Trekroner Søfort.  
Address by Gitte Lillelund Bech, Chairman of the Danish Parliament's Committee on Fiscal Affairs

22:00 Coaches depart from the Restaurant to the Hotel

## **20 March: Instruments to minimize the risk of new economic crises**

08:00 Coaches depart from the Hotel to Christiansborg

08:30 Welcome by Marianne Jelved, Chairman of the Danish Parliament's Finance Committee

08:35 Introduction by Margrethe Vestager, Danish Minister for Economics and the Interior (confirmed)

### **Part 1: The new Budget Pact for strengthening budgetary discipline in the EU.**

08:50 Presentation by:

- Marco Buti, Director-General for Economic and Financial Affairs at the European Commission (confirmed)

09:05 Presentation by:

- The Rt Hon the Lord John Roper, Chairman of the European Union Committee, House of Lords, UK (confirmed)

09:20 Discussion / Questions to panel

10:15 Family Photo

10:30 Coffee Break

### **Part 2: Preliminary discussion and debate on the parliamentary control of the Budget Pact for strengthening budgetary discipline in the EU**

11:00 Presentation by Guy Verhofstadt, MEP and Leader of ALDE Group (confirmed)

11:15 Presentation by Dr. Birgit Reinemund, Chairman of the Finance Committee, German Bundestag (confirmed)

11:25 Presentation by Eva Kjer Hansen, Chairman of the European Affairs Committee of the Danish Parliament (confirmed)

11:35 Discussion / Questions to panel

12:30 Lunch hosted by the Danish Parliament in the Members Restaurant

14:00 End of the Conference.

*A 30 minute guided tour of the parliament (in English and French) will be offered to participants at the close of the meeting.*

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<b>Registration and information</b>	Participants will receive their identity badges, documentation and other conference material when they register on arrival at the Strand Hotel on 19 March 2012. Delegates arriving late will register in the lobby of the Danish Parliament prior to the meeting.
<b>Badges</b>	Available during check-in (see above). For security reasons all participants are requested to wear their badges throughout the entire conference.
<b>Interpretation</b>	The organizers have provided simultaneous interpretation in English, French and Danish.
<b>Documents</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> floor – In front of the Conference Hall
<b>Seating and speech requests</b>	Delegates will have assigned seating in the Conference Hall. Delegates are requested to sit in their assigned seat. Delegation flags and names cards will be clearly visible in the Hall. Information on how to request the floor and use the microphones will be available in the Hall.
<b>Secretariat</b>	1 - 117
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<b>Restaurant</b>	Snapstinget, ground floor Monday 08.00 – 20.00
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<b>Smoking</b>	Smoking is prohibited on the premises of the parliament. Please use specially marked smoking booths (see map) or go outside.
<b>Refreshments</b>	Will be served during coffee breaks and throughout the day in front of the Conference Hall.
<b>IT Centre</b>	The Great Hall, 1 <sup>st</sup> floor
<b>Toilets</b>	See map
<b>Lunch</b>	Served in the Members Restaurant, ground floor room S - 133
<b>Transportation</b>	Participants are asked to arrange transport to and from the airport on their own.  <u>Taxi:</u> Taxis are available at the airport and the return transfer can be booked via the hotel. The cost of transfer from the airport to the city centre is approx. 200-300 Danish D.Kr.  <u>Trains from the airport:</u> The ticket office is located in Terminal 3 above the railway station. There are lifts and stairs between the platforms and Terminal 3. The train operates between the airport and Copenhagen



Central Station. The travel time is approx. 30 minutes.

Metro from the airport: The Metro station is located at the end of Terminal 3 and is covered by the roof of the terminal. The Metro operates at 4-6 minutes' intervals during the day and evening hours and at 15-20 minutes' intervals during the night. The travel time from the airport to the centre of Copenhagen (Kongens Nytorv Station) is 15 minutes.

**Currency**

The currency in Denmark is Danish kroner. 1 euro = approx. 7,5 D.Kr.

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1 - 008 Please contact the Secretariat

**Meeting Room 2**

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**Print**

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**Press**

Questions regarding the press and other may be addressed to the Secretariat.

**TV**

The entire Conference will be broadcast live on Danish national television (in Danish and original language) and will also be available live on streaming immediately after the conference. It will also be available "on-demand".