



European Economic and Social Committee

Day of the Liberal Professions
Thursday 19 July 2012
EESC - Rue Van Maerlant 2 - 1040 Brussels - Room VMA 3 -

PROGRAMME

9.30 a.m. Opening by the spokespersons of the category "SMEs, Crafts and the Professions":
Mr Carlos Pereira Martins and **Mr Thomas Palmgren**

Welcome address by **Mr Arno Metzler**, vice-president of the Various Interests Group of the European Economic and Social Committee

9.45 a.m. ***Regulation and deregulation in EU Members States – a debate with representatives of liberal professions in eight member States:***

- Portugal - **Mr Orlando Monteiro da Silva**, President of the National Council of the Professional Orders and of the Portuguese Dental Association
- Italy – **Mr Roberto Falcone**, Vice-President of CNA (Confederazione Nazionale dell'Artigianato e della PMI) – Professions
- France - **Mr David Gordon-Krief**, President of the National Union of Liberal Professions (tbc)
- Spain – **Mr Carlos Carnicer Diez**, President of the Professional Union (or another representative)
- Austria – **Mr Rudolf Kolbe**, President of the Chamber of Architects and Consulting Engineers, first Vice-President of the European Council of the Liberal Professions
- Belgium – **Mr Jan Sap**, Secretary General of the Federation for Liberal and Intellectual Professions and **Mr Eric Thiry**, President of the National Union of Liberal and Intellectual Professions

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- United Kingdom – **Mr Peter Swindlehurst**, Secretary General of the United Kingdom Inter Professional Group

- Germany- **Mr Arno Metzler**, General Manager of the German Association of Consulting Engineers

+/- 11.45 a.m. Debate

12.45 p.m. Main conclusions to be transmitted to the European institutions

1 p.m. End of the meeting

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