

## Meeting of the Chairpersons of Economic and Environmental Affairs Committees

## **Draft Programme**

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  |
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|       | 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  |