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## **1. Exchange of views with the President of the European Parliament**

The President of the European Parliament was heard by the European Council.

## **2. Adoption of the agenda**

The European Council adopted its agenda (doc. EUCO 97/11).

## **3. Economic policy**

The European Council held a discussion on economic policy, in particular as regards measures to boost growth and jobs. Furthermore, the Heads of State or Government of the Member States taking part in the Euro Plus Pact reviewed progress made in implementing their commitments at national level.

## **4. Energy**

The European Council set orientations for the further development of its energy policy, as regards completing the internal market, enhancing energy efficiency, developing infrastructures, ensuring coherence in the EU's external relations, and enhancing nuclear safety and security.

## **5. Enlargement**

The European Council discussed the EU's enlargement process regarding Serbia et Montenegro.

## **6. Other items discussed**

The European Council:

- noted that all legal conditions have been met for the decision on Bulgaria's and Romania's accession to the Schengen area to be taken and called on the Council to adopt this decision as soon as possible;
- called for full respect of the role of the Presidency of the Council with regard to Turkish statements and threats;
- held a discussion on Iran, Syria and Afghanistan.

**7. Approval of the conclusions**

The European Council approved its conclusions, setting out the outcome of its discussions (doc. EUCO 139/11).

**8. Approval of the minutes of the European Council meeting on 23 October 2011**

The European Council approved the minutes of its meeting held on 23 October 2011 (doc. EUCO 96/11).

**9. European Council Decision amending the status of Mayotte - Commission consultation**

The European Council decided to consult the Commission on the modification of the status of Mayotte with regard to the European Union, in accordance with Article 355(6) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (doc. EUCO 142/11).

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