



**COUNCIL OF
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

for: 2901st meeting of the COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
(Economic and Financial Affairs)

Date: Brussels, Tuesday 4 November 2008 (09.30)

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Approval of the list of "A" items
14881/08 PTS A 51
3. Follow-up to the European Council meeting on 15 and 16 October 2008:
 - (a) Preparation of international initiatives in response to the financial crisis
14838/08 ECOFIN 455 UEM 185 EF 85
 - (b) Support for economic activity in Europe
14938/08 ECOFIN 462 UEM 187 EF 86
 - Exchange of views
4. Taxation
 - (a) Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 2006/112/EC as regards reduced rates of value added tax (**LA**)
 - General approach
14707/08 FISC 139
+ COR 1
+ COR 2

- (b) Combating VAT fraud **(LA)**
 - Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 2006/112/EC on the common system of value added tax to combat tax evasion connected with intra-Community transactions
 - Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1798/2003 to combat tax evasion connected with intra-Community transactions
 - General approach
14625/08 FISC 138
+ COR 1
 - (c) Proposal for a Council Directive concerning the general arrangements for excise duty **(LA)**
 - General approach
14717/1/08 REV 1 FISC 140
 - (d) Negotiation of an anti-fraud agreement with Liechtenstein
 - State of play
5. Climate change and stabilisation of prices under the emissions trading scheme after 2012
 - Exchange of views
6. Lisbon strategy
 - Briefing
14871/08 ECOFIN 458 SOC 645
7. Other business

(LA) = Legislative act.

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Reminder

Monday 3 November 2008

12.15-13.15 Troika meeting with the European Parliament

14.30-16.30: Macroeconomic dialogue

17.30 Euro Group

Tuesday 4 November 2008

08.30 ECOFIN breakfast

09.30 ECOFIN meeting

13.00 ECOFIN lunch

15.00 EU-EFTA joint meeting

