



**COUNCIL OF
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

meeting : 2580th meeting of the COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
(Economic and Financial Affairs)

date : Tuesday 11 May 2004 (10 h.00)

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Approval of the list of "A" items
doc. 9246/04 PTS A 20
3. Broad Economic Policy Guidelines
 - *Commission recommendation / orientation debate*
doc. 8500/04 UEM 60 ECOFIN 130 SOC 183 MI 126 COMPET 51 EDUC 92
ENV 233 RECH 71
4. Potential output and output gaps
 - *Council conclusions*
doc. 8624/04 ECOFIN 137 UEM 62 STATIS 37

5. EIB external lending
 - *Council conclusions*
doc. 9171/04 ECOFIN 165 RELEX 173 FIN 229

6. Implementation of the Stability and Growth Pact (**restricted session**)
 - Council decision abrogating the decision on the existence of an excessive deficit in Portugal(*)¹
doc. 9103/04 UEM 68 ECOFIN 163
 - Early warning procedure for Italy(*)²
doc. 9104/04 UEM 69 ECOFIN 164

7. Savings Tax Directive - update on position regarding Dependent and Associated Territories and third countries (**restricted session**)
doc. 9230/04 FISC 105

8. Financial Services (**public deliberation**)
 - Transparency Directive (*)
= *Political agreement*
docs 9120/04 EF 20 ECOFIN 159 DRS 17 CODEC 660
+ COR 1
8062/03 EF 16 ECOFIN 99 DRS 36 CODEC 396
7927/04 CODEC 459 EF 12 ECOFIN 108 DRS 13
 - Committee Structure Directive (*)
= *Political agreement*
docs 9121/04 EF 21 ECOFIN 160 SURE 24 CODEC 661
7954/04 CODEC 483 EF 14 ECOFIN 113 SURE 16
14635/03 EF 59 ECOFIN 329 SURE 22 CODEC 1566

9. Preliminary draft budget for 2005
 - *Presentation by the Commission*

10. Financial Perspectives 2007-2013
docs 6232/04 CADREFIN 1
+ REV 1 (en,el,fi)
+ REV 2 (de,it)

¹ Legal base Treaty Article 104 (12)

² Legal base Treaty Article 99 (4)

(*) Item on which a vote may be requested

11. A.O.B

- Commission report on excise duty rates on alcohol (requested by the Swedish delegation)

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- 15h30 Macroeconomic Dialogue at political level
- 17h00 Troika meeting with Parliament on BEPGs
- 19h00 Eurogroup

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- 08h30 Breakfast on management of health care expenditure
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