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Report

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Vice-president of the European Parliament



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Sunday 19th April 2009

- 1.00 **Departure to Brussels.**
- Around 18.00 Arrival in Brussels, distribution of rooms at the hotel
- Free dinner at Brussels.**

Monday 20th April 2009

- 8.30 Departure by bus to the Council of the EU.
- 9.00 Visit to **the Council of the European Union** - Building JUSTUS LIPSIUS
Welcome by Mrs. **Silvia ANGLADA**, General Direction F, **Visits-Public Events.**
- 9.30 Conference **“The Council of the European Union”**, by **Mr. Giorgio PORZIO**, General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union, Centre of Communication (Comcen) consulate affairs .
- 11.00 Visit of **the Committee of the Regions**, Bâtiment Jacques Delors
- 11.15 Conference **“The role of the Committee of the Regions in the European Union Decision-Making process”**.
By **Mr. Klaus Hullmann**, Communication, Press, and Protocol Directorate Visitors' Service.
- Free lunch.**
- 16.00 **Visit of NATO. Avenue Leopold III, 1070, Bruxelles.**
Conference **“The role of NATO in the international conflicts”**, by the 1st counsellor of the Delegation of Turkey to NATO Headquarter in Brussels.
- Free time in Brussels.
- 19.30 Meeting with the Alumni of IEHEI/CIFE working at Brussels.
Organized by **Veselina Angelova**, CIFE/IEHEI's Alumni Relations Manager.
- Free dinner.**

Tuesday 21st April 2009

- 8.00 Departure by Metro to the European Commission.
- 9.15 Visit of **the European Commission** - 18 rue Van Maerlant, 1040 Brussels
- Welcome and presentation of the programme by **Mrs. Isabelle VAN KEIRSBILCK**, Priority visits' service
- 9.30 Conference **“The Institutions of the European Union - The State of the Union ”**
By **Mr. Jo VANDERCAPPELLEN**, Member of the Speakers Team, Directorate-General "Education and Culture"
- 10.45 **break**

11.00 Conference “**Les défis économiques à l’élargissement de l’UE**” (in french)
By **Mr Maurice GUUADER**, Directorate-General "Enlargement ", Communication Unit.

16h00 **Departure to Strasbourg.**

Free dinner during the trip to Strasbourg.

22.30 Arrival to Strasbourg, distribution of rooms at the Hotel

Wednesday 22nd April 2009

9.00 Departure by Tram for the **Council of Europe**.

10.30 Visit of the **Council of Europe** - Avenue de l’Europe, 67075 Strasbourg

10.30 - Guided visit to the “**Palais de l’Europe**” and the “**Parliamentary Assembly Hemicycle**”.

11.00 - Conference “**The role of the Council of Europe in the European political architecture**” by **Mr. Jeremy MOAKES**, Head of the Division of the Public Relations, Direction of the Communication, Council of Europe.

Free lunch.

14.15 Visit of the **European Court of Human Rights** - Council of Europe
- Welcome by **Mrs Anne KENNEWELL**, Visit Unit, ECHR.

14.30 - Conference “**General presentation of the ECHR**”
By **Ms Cristina GONTA**, Alumni IEHEI (2005-06 Trilingual Branch), Lawyer at the Registry of the ECHR.

17.00 Meeting point in the front of the **Municipality of Strasbourg**, Place Broglie.

17.30 **Reception** in honour of the IEHEI student group, given by **Mr Roland RIES**, Mayor of Strasbourg at: **The “Hotel de Ville of Strasbourg”**

Free dinner at Strasbourg.

Thursday 23rd April 2009

7.15 Departure by Tram to the European Parliament.

8.15 Visit of the **European Parliament**, Building Louise Weiss – Strasbourg

8.30 - Conferences given by **Mr Gérard ONESTA**, Vice-president of the EP ;
Mr Burno BOISSIERE, Former MEP, Director of CIFE Office in Brussels.

11.00 Participation in a part of the **plenary session of the European Parliament** in the public tribune.

- 11.50 Lunch at the “Winston Churchill” restaurant in the European Parliament
With some officials of the EP.
- 14.00 Trip to Annecy.
- 23.00 Free dinner during the trip to Annecy.
Arrival to Annecy

Friday 24th April 2009

- 7.45 Departure to Geneva
- 9.00 Visit of the **United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees**
- 9.15 Conference: “The actual situation in Irak”, by Semih BULBUL, UNHCR Desk officer,
Irak support Unit.
- 10.15 Guided visit to « **The Nations Palace** » 14 Avenue de la Paix, Genève
- Free Lunch in Geneva
- 14.15 Visit of **the Permanent Delegation of the European Commission to the
international Organizations in Geneva**
- 14.45 - Conference “**The Delegation of the Commission and the Lisbon Treaty**” by
Mr David Spence, Alumni IEHEI (1972-1973), First Counsellor, EU Delegation
Geneva.
- 15.15 - Conference “**The Durban Conference**”, by the head of the EU Delegation to the UN
in Geneva.
- 15.45 Break.
- 16.00 - Conference “**The European Diplomacy**”, by **Mr Davis Spence**.
- 16.45 Trip back to Annecy. Free diner at Annecy.

Saturday 25th April 2009

- 9.30 Departure for Nice
- 19.00 Arrival in Nice



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