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PROGRAMME

Paris, 2008, November 12th
Kleber International Conference Centre



8.30 Reception and Coffee

9.00 OPENING SESSION

Address by **Jean-Pierre JOUYET**, Secretary of State for European Affairs

9.15 INTRODUCTION

Bernard BRUNHES, BPI

9.30 1ST ROUND TABLE

A SOCIAL EUROPE IN THE CONTEXT OF GLOBALISATION

Chair: **Bernard BRUNHES**, BPI

- > Europe in the context of Globalisation
Jean PISANI-FERRY, BRUEGEL - Brussels European and Global Economic Laboratory
- > The Place of Social Protection in the Lisbon Strategy
Jérôme VIGNON, European Commission - Social Protection and Integration Directorate
- > Social Europe and Fundamental Social Rights
Francis KESSLER, University of Paris I - Sorbonne - France

Discussion: **Walter CERFEDA**, European Trade Union Confederation CES/ETUC

Thérèse de LIEDEKERKE, BUSINESS Europe

10.40 Coffee Break

11.00 2ND ROUND TABLE

THE CHALLENGE OF AGEING AND INTER-GENERATIONAL SOLIDARITY

Chair: **Emilio GABAGLIO**, Employment Committee

- > The challenge of demographic developments in Europe
Didier BLANCHET, INSEE, France
- > Social policies and inter-generational cohesion
Frédéric LERAIS, European Commission – European Policy Advisory Board
- > Increasing Activity rates
Mariangels FORTUNY, International Labour Organisation

Discussion: **Stephan LEIBFRIED**, University of Bremen - Germany

12.10 Discussion with the floor

12.45 Lunch

14.15 3RD ROUND TABLE

DIVERSITY AND SOCIAL COHESION, DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW

Chair: **Elise WILLAME**, Social Protection Committee

- > Europe and social Cohesion
Marie PANAYOTOPOULOS-CASSIOTOU, European Parliament – Employment and Social Affairs Commission
- > Renewed Social Issues : Migration, Discrimination, Social Cohesion
Roger LIDDLE, Policy Network – United Kingdom
- > The NGO's point of view
Conny REUTER, Platform of European Social NGO's

Discussion: **Jan OLSSON**, European Economic and Social Committee

Martin POTUCEK, University Charles – Czech Republic

15.30 Coffee Break

15h.45 4TH ROUND TABLE

RESEARCHING NEW TOOLS TO PROMOTE SOCIAL COHESION AND SOCIAL DIALOGUE

Chair : **Anton HEMERIJCK**, Scientific Council for Government Policy, Netherlands

- > Legislation, European Funds, the horizontal clause, open method of coordination, measuring well being

Loukas TSOUKALIS, ELIAMEP Foundation - Greece

Xavier PRATS-MONNE, European Commission – Directorate of Employment, Lisbon Strategy and International Affairs

André SAPIR, Free University of Brussels, Belgium

Anthony ATKINSON, University of Oxford – United Kingdom

16.45 Discussion with the floor

17.30 CLOSING SESSION

Addresses from:

- > **Vladimir SPIDLA**, European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities
- > **Xavier BERTRAND**, Ministry of Labour, Labour Relations, the Family and Solidarity

18.00 Reception

THE CONFERENCE WILL BE TRANSLATED INTO THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGES:
FRENCH, ENGLISH, SPANISH, ITALIAN, GERMAN AND CZECH.