

**DRAFT JOURNALIST PROGRAMME**  
**(31/05/2018)**

**EPP Group Study Days**  
**06-08 June 2018**  
**MUNICH, Germany**

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**Wednesday, 6 June 2018**

**14.15 - 14.30 hrs**     **INTRODUCTORY REMARKS (Transmitted)**

- **Daniel CASPARY** MEP, Head of the CDU/CSU delegation in the EPP group
- Prof. Dr. **Angelika NIEBLER** MEP, Head of the CSU delegation and Co-Head of the CDU/CSU delegation in the EPP Group
- **Manfred WEBER** MEP, Chairman of the EPP Group in the European Parliament (EP)

**THEME I: EUROPEAN WAY OF LIFE**

**14.30 - 16.00 hrs**     **PROTECTING THE EUROPEAN WAY OF LIFE -- OUR NARRATIVE FOR EUROPE**

**Panel Chair**

**Paulo RANGEL** MEP, Vice-Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP responsible for EIN, Future of Europe

- Amb. **Wolfgang ISCHINGER**, Chairman of the Munich Security Conference
- Dr. **Ivan KRASTEVA**, Chairman of the Centre for Liberal Strategies, Sofia
- Cardinal Dr. **Reinhard MARX**, Chairman of the German Bishops' Conference, Archbishop of Munich and Freising

Debate (Not transmitted)

## **THEME II: OUR SUCCESSES FOR EUROPE**

15.45

### **DOORSTEP (Foyer in front of the meeting room)**

- **Andrej PLENKOVIĆ**, Prime Minister of Croatia, President HDZ
- **Manfred WEBER** MEP, Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP

16.00 - 17.00 hrs

### **CROATIA IN EUROPE: A SUCCESS STORY**

- **Andrej PLENKOVIĆ**, Prime Minister of Croatia, President HDZ

Debate **(Not transmitted)**

17.00 - 18.00 hrs

### **MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS OF THIS LEGISLATURE (Interventions transmitted)**

- **Joseph DAUL**, President of the European People's Party
- **Antonio TAJANI** MEP, President of the European Parliament

Debate **(Not transmitted)**

17.30

### **DOORSTEP (Foyer in front of the meeting room)**

- **Dr. Angela MERKEL** MP, Federal Chancellor of Germany, President of CDU
- **Manfred WEBER** MEP, Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP

18.00 - 19.30 hrs

### **MAIN CHALLENGES FOR EUROPE IN THE UPCOMING YEARS**

- **Dr. Angela MERKEL** MP, Federal Chancellor of Germany, President of CDU **(Not transmitted)**

Debate **(Not transmitted)**

**Thursday, 7 June 2018**

**THEME III: OUR PRIORITIES FOR THE NEXT LEGISLATIVE PERIOD**

**08.45 hrs**

**DOORSTEP (Foyer in front of the meeting room)**

- **Günther H. OETTINGER**, European Commissioner for Budget and Human Resources
- **Manfred WEBER** MEP, Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP

**09.00 - 10.00 hrs**

**A MULTIANNUAL BUDGET REFLECTING OUR AMBITIONS  
(Intervention transmitted)**

**Panel Chair**

**Marian-Jean MARINESCU** MEP, Vice-Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP responsible for the Working Group on Budgetary and Structural Policies

- **Günther H. OETTINGER**, European Commissioner for Budget and Human Resources

Debate **(Not transmitted)**

**10.00 - 10.45 hrs**

**YOUTH: CONSTRUCTING EUROPE WITH CREATIVITY (Not transmitted)**

**Panel Chair**

**Lara COMI** MEP, Vice-Chairwoman of the EPP Group in the EP responsible for relations with the Americas, China, EPP Youth Strategy

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Debate **(Not transmitted)**

**10.15 hrs**

**DOORSTEP (Foyer in front of the meeting room)**

- **Sebastian KURZ**, Federal Chancellor of Austria, President of the Austrian People's Party
- **Manfred WEBER** MEP, Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP

**10.45 - 12.00 hrs**

**OUR AMBITIONS FOR A BETTER EUROPE (Intervention transmitted)**

- **Sebastian KURZ**, Federal Chancellor of Austria, President of the Austrian People's Party

Debate **(Not transmitted)**

**12.00 - 13.00 hrs**

**OUR AMBITIONS FOR EUROPE'S FUTURE (Intervention transmitted)**

- **Kyriakos MITSOTAKIS** MP, President of Nea Dimokratia, Leader of the Opposition in Hellenic Parliament

Debate (Not transmitted)

**Friday, 8 June 2018**

**THEME IV: WE STAND AS ONE FOR A SUCCESSFUL AND FAIR EUROPE**

**8.30 - 10.00 hrs**      **FUTURE OF TRADE TO CREATE JOBS AND PROTECT EUROPEAN STANDARDS**

**Panel Chair**

**Esteban GONZÁLEZ PONS** MEP, Head of the Spanish Delegation of the EPP Group in the EP, Vice-Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP responsible for the Working Group on Legal and Home Affairs, Brexit

- Prof. Dr. **Clemens FUEST**, President, Ifo Institute - Leibniz Institute for Economic Research, University of Munich
- **Joe KAESER**, CEO of Siemens

Debates **(Not transmitted)**

**10.00 - 11.30 hrs**      **MAKING OUR SOCIAL MARKET ECONOMY FIT FOR THE FUTURE (Interventions transmitted)**

**Panel Chair**

**Françoise GROSSETÊTE** MEP, Vice-Chairwoman of the EPP Group in the EP responsible for the Working Group on Economy and Environment

- **Harald KRÜGER**, CEO of BMW AG
- Prof. Dr. **Armin NASSEHI**, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München

Debates **(Not transmitted)**

**11.30 - 12.00 hrs**      **Discussion of Position paper on our priorities to be submitted to the full Group meeting (Not transmitted)**

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