

European Union



**COMMITTEE OF THE
REGIONS**

Brussels, 19 January 2004

53rd PLENARY SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

DETAILED DRAFT AGENDA

**Paul-Henri Spaak Building (European Parliament)
(Hemicycle)**

**Wednesday, 11 February 2004, from 3 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.
and Thursday, 12 February 2004, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

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PLENARY SESSION

3 p.m.

1. **Adoption of the agenda (CdR 323/2003 rev. 1)**
2. **Approval of the minutes of the 52nd plenary session, held on 19 and 20 November 2003 (CdR 373/2003 and Appendices)**
3. **Statement by the president**
4. **Installation in office of the interim Bureau by the interim president**
5. **Statement by the interim president and voting procedure**
6. **Presentation of candidates**
7. **Election of president of the Committee of the Regions**
8. **Election of the first vice-president**
9. **Election of the 14 vice-presidents and other Bureau members**
10. **Adoption of the list of names of political group chairmen as members of the Bureau**
11. **Speech by newly elected CoR president**

12. **Adoption of new Rules of Procedure:**
 - a) Report on the Rules of Procedure (CdR 349/2003 fin)
 - b) Partial revision of the Rules of Procedure (CdR 140/2003 item 6 fin)

5.30 p.m.

DISCUSSION AND ADOPTION OF OPINIONS

13. **The establishment of a regime of local border traffic at the external land borders of the Member States**
(Proposal for a Council Regulation)
COM(2003) 502 final – 2003/0193 (CNS)
2003/0194 (CNS)
CdR 277/2003 rev. 1 – RELEX-017
Rapporteur: **Mr Neumann** (*Member of the Landtag of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania (DE-PES)*)
14. **European Road Safety Action Programme - Halving the number of road accident victims in the European Union by 2010: A shared responsibility**
(Commission Communication)
COM(2003) 311 final
CdR 184/2003 rev. 2 – COTER-016
Rapporteur: **Mr Brady** (*Member of Dublin Regional Authority and Dublin City Council (IE/EA)*)
15. **Corridors and TEN-T: a lever for growth and vector of European cohesion and the development of a Euro-Mediterranean transport network**
CdR 291/2003 rev. 1 – COTER-023
Rapporteur: **Mr Soulage** (*Member of the Regional Council for Rhône-Alpes (FR/PES)*)
16. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 1999/62/EC on the charging of heavy goods vehicles for the use of certain infrastructure**
COM(2003) 448 final – 2003/0175 (COD)
CdR 290/2003 rev. 1 – COTER-021
Rapporteur: **Mr Neill** (*Member of the London Assembly Greater London Authority (UK/EPP)*)
17. **Communication from the Commission to the Council on the follow-up to the White Paper on a New Impetus for European Youth. Proposed common objectives for the participation and information of young people, in response to the Council Resolution of 27 June 2002 regarding the framework of European cooperation in the youth field**
COM(2003) 184 final
CdR 309/2003 rev. 1 – EDUC-025
Rapporteur: **Mr Kramer Mikkelsen** (*Lord Mayor of Copenhagen (DK/PES)*)

7.30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Thursday,
12 February
2004

9 a.m. RESUMPTION

18. **Current political issues**
19. **Statement by Mr Barnier, Member of the Commission responsible for regional policy and reform of the institutions**
20. **Draft CoR resolution on the process of drawing up a constitution for the Union** (CdR 22/2004) (for decision)
21. **Draft CoR resolution on the Work programme of the European Commission** (CdR 16/2004) (for decision)

10 a.m. DISCUSSION AND ADOPTION OF OPINIONS

22. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the protection of groundwater against pollution**
COM(2003) 550 final - 2003/0210 (COD)
CdR 240/2003 rev. 1 - DEVE-022
Rapporteur: Mr Flensted-Jensen (Chairman of Århus County Council (DK/PES))
23. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the management of waste from the extractive industries**
COM(2003) 319 final – 2003/0107 (COD)
CdR 330/2003 rev. 1 – DEVE-024
Rapporteur: Mrs Sikora (Member of the North Rhine-Westphalia Landtag, (DE/PES))
24. **Immigration, integration and employment**
COM(2003) 336 final
CdR 223/2003 rev. 2 – ECOS-022
Rapporteur: Mr Boden (Leader of the North West Regional Assembly (UK/PES))
25. **Communication from the Commission to the Council, the European Parliament, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on the activities of the European Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia, together with proposals to recast Council Regulation (EC) 1035/97 and the Proposal for a Council Regulation on the European Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia (Recast version)**
COM(2003) 483 final – 2003/0185 (CNS)
CdR 313/2003 rev. 1 – ECOS-026
Rapporteur: Mr Moore (Leader of Sheffield Metropolitan Borough Council (UK/ELDR))

- 11.45 a.m.**
- 26. **Debate on the impact of major sporting events in host regions and cities**
 - 27. **Administrative matters**
 - 28. **Any other business**
 - 29. **Date of the next meeting**
- 1 p.m.** **END OF THE PLENARY SESSION**

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