**NOVEMBER SUMMIT & MFF**

**Gabrielle Zimmer**  
**GUE/NGL President**  
**Germany**

Current negotiations on the MFF 2014-2020 have come to a standstill as some governments, such as Germany and the UK, want to achieve spending reductions. European solidarity inside and outside the EU will be undermined if the Council accepts the proposed cuts to Structural and Cohesion funds as well as development cooperation and humanitarian aid. Right now in times of crisis, we need to strengthen these instruments which are geared to a social future based on solidarity.

Debate: Wednesday  
Vote: Thursday

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**FISHERIES POLICY**

**João Ferreira**  
**Portugal**

The report proposes to take better account of the specificities of small-scale fisheries in the context of the CFP reform. Among other proposals, advancing with the development of a community programme to support small-scale fisheries, recognition of the positive externalities generated by small and unpaid fishing, and the creation of specific mechanisms of support to put into action in case of emergencies such as natural disasters or breaks in activity determined by restocking plans.

Debate: Wednesday  
Vote: Thursday

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**SECURITY & DEFENCE POLICY**

**Sabine Lösing**  
**Germany**

The Danjean report intensifies the taken path of EU-militarisation i.a. in form of armament obligations, binding permanent structured cooperation and the misuse of development aid (EDF fund) for military purpose. Further, the report demands more “robust” CFSP missions and explicitly regrets that no new military operations were launched besides the EUTM Somalia since 2008. We strictly reject this report and tabled a minority report.

Debate: Wednesday  
Vote: Thursday

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**ECONOMIC & MONETARY UNION**

**Marisa Matias**  
**Portugal**

The EMU report, with the excuse of trying to build a true roadmap for the construction of “Genuine Economic and Monetary Union” demonstrates that the principle of solidarity on which the European project should be based, will only be put into practice if the countries experiencing severe economic difficulties first follow, as a precondition, the austerity measures established in the Fiscal Compact, Six Pack and the future Two Pack. This does not represent a solution to, or a way out of, the crisis.

Debate: Tuesday  
Vote: Tuesday

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**DOHA CLIMATE CHANGE SUMMIT**

**Sabine Wils**  
**Germany**

Since the last COPs, developed countries came along with hardly anything but nice words. The Durban outcome last year was nothing but lack of ambition and the engagement for a second period Kyoto Protocol commitment has been postponed to COP 18. The target in keeping the global warming temperature below 2°C is undermined if the greenhouse gas emissions are not stopped and reduced now! Major problems are still the market-based instruments such as CDM and ETS and their failure to promote investment in renewables. Despite the lack of progress in Climate conferences both sustainable initiatives and changes in citizens’ behaviour can better tackle climate change on the ground.

Debate: Wednesday  
Vote: Thursday

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**GUE/NGL PRESS BRIEFING TUESDAY 14:30**

November Summit Gabrielle Zimmer  
Fisheries João Ferreira  
Security & Defence Sabine Lösing

Press Conference Room LOW N-1/201

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**COMMISSIONER TONIO BORG?**

**Kartika Liotard**  
**Netherlands**

Tonio Borg has made a career out of support for some of the harshest provisions against gender equality, LGBT rights, and reproductive rights including restrictions on pregnant women’s ability to travel outside Malta if suspected of seeking an abortion abroad. I’m astonished that somebody with such views has even been nominated to a position as Commissioner. We need improvements and leadership in Europe on these issues not a relapse into repression. Our group will vote against his nomination.

Vote: Wednesday

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**UPCOMING GUE/NGL EVENTS**

**Democracy in Paraguay**  
Debate on democracy in Paraguay after the coup of 22 June.  

**Political Transitions & Women’s Rights**  
Hearing co-organised with the European Feminist Initiative.  
4/12 ASP1G2, EP Brussels.

**Turkey & Kurds**  
Conference on the Kurdish question in Turkey.  

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