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PLENARY SESSION PRIORITIES - GUE/NGL GROUP IN THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

19 - 22 NOVEMBER 2012

GUE/NGL PRESS BRIEFING TUESDAY 14:30

Press Conference Room LOW N-1/201

COMMISSIONER TONIO BORG?

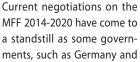
November Summit Gabi Zimmer

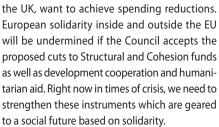
Security & Defence Sabine Lösing

Fisheries João Ferreira

NOVEMBER SUMMIT & MFF

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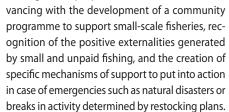


Debate: Wednesday

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, ad-



Debate: Wednesday Vote: Thursday



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.

DOHA CLIMATE CHANGE SUMMIT

Debate: Wednesday Vote: Thursday

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

KARTIKA LIOTARD NETHERLANDS

THIS WEEK

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

UPCOMING GUE/NGL EVENTS

DEMOCRACY IN PARAGUAY

Debate on democracy in Paraguay after the coup of 22 June. 27/11 ASP1G2, EP Brussels.



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. 5 & 6/12 ASP1G2, EP Brussels





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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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