

DRAFT PROGRAMME
(19/09/2024)

EPP GROUP STUDY DAYS AND SUMMER UNIVERSITY
24 September - 27 September 2024
Naples, ITALY

Tuesday, 24 September 2024

20.00 hrs **Dinner reception**

Welcome by

- Prof **Gaetano MANFREDI**, Mayor of Naples (tbc)
- **Herbert DORFMANN** MEP, Head of the Italian Delegation (SVP) of the EPP Group in the European Parliament (EP)
- **Fulvio MARTUSCIELLO** MEP, Head of the Italian Delegation (FI) of the EPP Group in the EP
- **Manfred WEBER** MEP, Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP

Wednesday, 25 September 2024 (*meetings taking place in the Royal Palace of Naples*)

09.00 - 10.00 hrs **A STRONG ITALY IN A STRONG EUROPE**

Panel Chair

Massimiliano SALINI MEP, Treasurer and Vice-Chair of the EPP Group in the EP for The New Mediterranean dimension

- **Maria Elisabetta ALBERTI CASELLATI** MP, Minister for Institutional Reforms and Regulatory Simplification
- Prof **Sebastiano MAFFETTONE**, Professor of Political Philosophy and Director of the Ethos Observatory, LUISS Business School, Rome
- **Gilberto PICETTO FRATIN** MP, Minister of Environment and Energy Security of the Italian Republic
- Prof **Giovanni ORSINA**, Head of the Political Science Department at LUISS University, Rome

Internal debate

10.00 - 11.00 hrs **WHAT MAKES EUROPE STAND OUT**

Panel Chair

Francois-Xavier BELLAMY MEP, Vice-Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP in charge of Relations with Universities, Think Tanks and Foundations and the EPP strategic Network and Connection with society and opinion leaders

- **Angela PROCIDA**, Paralympic swimmer and para cyclist, 100 m backstroke S2 Bronze Medalist at the 2024 Summer Paralympics
- **Sneška QUAEDVLIEG–MIHAILOVIĆ**, Secretary-general of Europa Nostra
- Dr **Eike SCHMIDT**, Director of the Museo e Real Bosco di Capodimonte, Naples and Former director of Uffizi Galleries, Florence

Internal debate

11.00 – 12.30 hrs **EUROPE’S SOUTHERN BORDER: THE IMPORTANCE OF THE MEDITERRANEAN REGION**

11.00 – 11.10 hrs **Special Intervention by Dubravka SUICA**, Vice President of the European Commission in charge of Democracy and Demography and designated Commissioner for the Mediterranean (tbc)

11.10 – 12.30 hrs **Panel Discussion**

Panel Chair

Manfred WEBER MEP, Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP

- **Roberta METSOLA** MEP, President of the European Parliament
- **Antonio TAJANI** MP, Vice President of the Council of Ministers, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Italian Republic and Chairman of Forza Italia

Internal debate

12.30 - 14.30 hrs **Lunch**

14.30 - 15.30 hrs **A EUROPE THAT CAN DEFEND ITSELF: CREATING A TRUE DEFENSE UNION**

14.30 – 14.40 hrs **Special Intervention by Andrius KUBILIUS**, designated Commissioner for Defence and Space (tbc)

14.40 – 15.30 hrs **Panel Discussion**

Panel Chair

Andrzej HALICKI MEP Vice-Chair of the EPP Group in the EP in charge of Working Group External Policies

- **Max BERGMANN**, Director of the Europe, Russia and Eurasia Program at the Center for Strategic and International Studies
- Lt. General **Stefano CONT**, Capability, Armament and Planning Director at the European Defense Agency
- Dr **Anna WIESLANDER**, Director Northern Europe at the Atlantic Council, Chairwoman of Institute for Security and Development Policy (ISDP)

Internal debate

15.30 - 17.00 hrs

DISCUSSION OF DEFENSE PAPER

Panel Chair

Manfred WEBER MEP, Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP

Introduction of the paper by:

- **Andrzej HALICKI** MEP, Vice-Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP responsible for the Working Group External Policies
- **Dolors MONTSERRAT** MEP, Vice-Chairwoman of the EPP Group in the EP responsible for the Working Group Economy and Environment

Internal debate

17.30 - 19.30 hrs

Guided tour of Pompeii

INTRODUCTIONS:

- **Letizia MORATTI** MEP, former Minister for Education, University and Scientific Research of the Italian Republic and former Mayor of Milan
- Dr **Gabriel ZUCHTRIEGEL**, Director General of the Archaeological Park of Pompeii

20.00 hrs

Dinner

Thursday, 26 September 2024

09.00 - 10.30 hrs WORKSHOPS

WORKSHOP I A: KEEPING EUROPEANS SAFE: FIGHTING TERRORISM, ORGANISED CRIME, AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING (*meeting taking place in Hotel Vesuvio*)

Panel Chair

Tomas TOBE MEP Vice-Chair of the EPP Group in the EP in charge of Working Group Legal and Home Affairs

- **Michele DI BARI**, Prefect of Naples
- **Claudio GALZERANO**, Director of Immigration and Border Police, Italy, and former Director of the European Counterterrorism Center at Europol
- **Catello MARESCA**, City Councilor of Naples, Public Prosecutor, and Former Deputy Prosecutor at the District Anti-Mafia Directorate in Naples
- **Dr Guido STEINBERG**, Researcher at the Division for Middle East and Africa at the Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik

WORKSHOP I B: A STRATEGY FOR A COMPETITIVE EUROPE (*meeting taking place in Hotel Vesuvio*)

Panel Chair

Dolors MONTSERRAT MEP Vice-Chairwoman of the EPP Group in the EP in charge of Working Group Economy and Environment

- Prof **Carlo ALTOMONTE**, Associate Dean and Director PNRR Lab, SDA Bocconi School of Management, Milan
- Prof **Chrysovalantou MILLIOU**, Professor of Economics at the Athens University of Economics and Business
- **Paolo SCARONI**, Chairman of Enel

WORKSHOP I C: ENLARGEMENT – CHALLENGES AND STRATEGIES (*meeting taking place in Grand Hotel Santa Lucia*)
[only in English]

Panel Chair

Andrzej HALICKI MEP Vice-Chair of the EPP Group in the EP in charge of Working Group External Policies

- Prof **Antoaneta DIMITROVA**, Professor of Comparative Governance at Leiden University
- Prof **Erik JONES**, Director of the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies at the European University Institute
- **Dr Thu NGUYEN**, Deputy Director of the Jacques Delors Centre, Hertie School

10.30 - 11.00 hrs *Coffee break*

11.00 - 12.30 hrs WORKSHOPS

WORKSHOP II A: US ELECTIONS 2024 AND THE RESTART OF A NEW TRANSATLANTIC PARTNERSHIP (*meeting taking place in Hotel Vesuvio*)

Panel Chair

Željana ZOVKO MEP Vice-Chairwoman of the EPP Group in the EP in charge of coordination of the foreign policy with the EPP network outside the EU (Council of Europe, OSCE and NATO) and EPP diplomacy

- **Deborah BERGAMINI** MP, Vice-Chairwoman of Forza Italia and Vice President of the EPP Group at the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
- **Thibault MUZERGUES**, Senior Advisor, Europe & Euro-Med, International Republican Institute
- **Majda RUGE**, Senior Policy Fellow at the European Council on Foreign Relations

WORKSHOP II B: FUTURE LAB – HOW CAN WE CREATE A HUMAN-CENTRED INNOVATION UNION? (*meeting taking place in Hotel Vesuvio*)

Panel Chair

Lídia PEREIRA MEP, Vice-Chairwoman of the EPP Group in the EP in charge of Youth and Future Lab

- **Cecilia BONEFELD-DAHL**, Director-General of DigitalEurope
- **Anne BRUINVELS**, Founder of Px HealthCare

WORKSHOP II C: THE EUROPEAN WAY OF LIFE HOLDING OUR SOCIETY TOGETHER (*meeting taking place in Grand Hotel Santa Lucia*) [*only in English*]

Panel Chair

Romana TOMC MEP, Vice-Chairwoman of the EPP Group in the EP in charge of Outreach, Network with national Parliaments and regional organisations

- **Dr Peter HEFELE**, Policy Director at the Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies (WMCES)

- **Fiona Winsome Marcia MAY**, Olympic Track and Field athlete, Long Jump Silver Medalist at the 1996 Atlanta and 2000 Sydney Olympic Games

12.30 - 14.00 hrs **Lunch**

14.00 - 18.00 hrs **STUDY VISITS**

- **WHAT MAKES US EUROPEANS: SAFEGUARDING OUR HERITAGE AND CULTURAL IDENTITY: Study visit to Herculaneum archaeological site**
 - Prof **Maria Chiara SCAPPATICCIO**, Professor of Latin Language and Literature at the University of Naples 'Federico II'
 - **Francesco SIRANO**, Director of the Herculaneum archaeological site
- **PREVENTING NATIONAL DISASTERS: Study visit to the Vesuvius National Park and the Vesuvius Observatory** (visit ends at 18.20 hrs)
 - Dr **Fabio CICILIANO**, Head of the Italian Civil Protection
 - **Raffaele DE LUCA**, President of the National Park of Vesuvius
- **VISIT OF THE ACCADEMIA AERONAUTICA (Italian Air Force Academy based in Pozzuoli, NA)** (visit ends at 16.00 hrs)
- **VISIT OF THE TRADITIONAL TIE PRODUCER E. MARINELLA FOLLOWED BY A GUIDED CITY TOUR THROUGH NAPLES**

20.30 hrs **Dinner**

Speeches by

- **Anna Maria BERNINI** MP, Minister of University and Research of the Italian Republic
- **Joseph DAUL**, Honorary Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP and former President of the European People's Party
- **Fulvio MARTUSCIELLO** MEP, Head of the Italian Delegation (FI) of the EPP Group in the EP

Friday, 27 September 2024

09.00 - 10.30 hrs

EPP GROUP ACADEMY BREAKFAST:
EUROPE AND ITS NEIGHBOURHOOD: CHALLENGES IN
THE MEDITERRANEAN *(Meeting taking place in Hotel Vesuvio)*

Panel Chair

Francois-Xavier BELLAMY MEP, Vice-Chairman of the EPP Group in the EP in charge of Relations with Universities, Think Tanks and Foundations and the EPP strategic Network and Connection with society and opinion leaders

- Fr **Manuel BARRIOS PRIETO**, Secretary General of the Commission of the Bishops' Conferences of the European Union (COMECE)
- Prof **Francesca Maria CORRAO**, Professor of Arabic Culture and Language, Faculty of Political Science, Luiss University Rome
- Prof **Karim HAGGAG**, Professor of Practice, Department of Public Policy and Administration, American University in Cairo, Egypt

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