



**EU Sport Forum 2008
Biarritz, 26-27 November 2008
DRAFT AGENDA**

Wednesday, 26 November 2008

- 11.00-12.00 Arrival of participants and registration
- 12.00-14.00 Sandwich lunch
- 14.00-14.10 **Official welcome** (*Mayor of Biarritz*)
- 14.10-14.20 **Opening of the Forum and introduction by the European Commission**
- "An EU framework for sport" (*Mr Mairesse, Director for Youth, Sport and Citizenship, DG Education and Culture, European Commission*)
- 14.20-15.45 **First session: (chaired by Mr Mairesse)**
- "Implementation of the White Paper on Sport"**
- General progress report by the Commission (*Mr Krejza, Head of the Sport Unit, DG Education and Culture, European Commission*)
 - Social Dialogue in sport (*Presentations by FiFPro/EPFUECA, EASE*)
 - Education and sport
 - Study on training centres (*Presentation by Ineum/Taj*)
 - Professional qualifications (*Presentations by EOSE, EHFA*)
- Discussion with the participants
- 15.45-16.00 Coffee break
- 16.00-17.30 **Second session: panel discussion (chaired by a sport journalist)**
"Support for grassroots sport in Europe"
- French Presidency - results of the study on sports funding in Europe
 - Non-governmental sport organisations (ENGSO) - results of the survey
 - Olympic movement (EOC, EPC)
 - Sport for all (ISCA)
 - Games of chance (European Lotteries)
- Discussion with the participants
- 17.30-17.45 **Conclusions of the first conference day (by Mr Mairesse)**
- 17.45 Transfer to Hotel
- 18.45-19.30 Visit of a sport location (pelote basque) and reception offered by the municipality of Biarritz - Fronton Euskal-Jai Aguilera
- 19.30-22.00 Dinner-Aguilera Rugby stadium
- 22:00 Transfer to Hotel



Thursday, 27 November 2008

- 09.30-09.45 **The French Presidency programme for sport** (*Mr Laporte, FR Minister in charge of sport*)
- 09.45-11.15 **Third session: panel discussion** (*chaired by a sport journalist*)
"The specificity of sport"
- Introduction by *Mr Figel*, *EU Commissioner in charge of sport*
- Statements by:
- *Mr Mavrommatis*, *Member of the CULT Committee, European Parliament*
 - *Mr Krecké*, *Luxembourg Minister in charge of sport*
 - *Mr Hickey*, *EOC President (tbc)*
 - *Mr Platini*, *UEFA President*
 - *Mr Richards*, *EPFL President*
 - *Mr Rummenigge*, *ECA President*
 - *Mr Portela*, *ULEB President (tbc)*
- Discussion with the participants
- 11.15-11.30 Coffee break
- 11.30-12.15 Continuation of the panel & discussion with the participants
- 12.15-12.30 **Conference conclusions by the European Commission** (*Commissioner Figel*)
- 12.30-12.50 **Press Conference**
- 13.00-14.30 **Joint lunch with EU Sport Ministers**
- 15.00 Transport to Hotel / Airport