

European and External Affairs Committee

Agenda

Date: 29 April 2004

Time: 09:30

Venue: Committee Rooms 3 and 4, National Assembly for Wales

Item 1: **Introduction, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest**

Item 2: **Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising (09:30 - 09:40)**

Papers: EUR(2) 03-04(min) - Minutes of 25 March meeting

Purpose: To ratify the minutes of the meeting held on 25 March 2004 and consider matters arising

Item 3: **Forward work programme 2004 - 2005 (09:40 - 10:10)**

Paper: EUR(2) 04-04(p1) - Draft forward work programme

Purpose: The Committee will discuss and agreed its forward work programme for 2004 - 2005

Item 4: Minister's report (10:10 - 10:40)

Paper: EUR(2) 04-04(p2) - Minister's report
EUR(2) 04-04(p3) - Update on reform of regional policy

Purpose: To inform the Committee about developments since its last meeting

Break 10:40 - 10:55

Item 5: Scrutinising European legislation (10:55 - 11:20)

Papers: EUR(2) 04-04(p4) - List of European legislation
EUR(2) 04-04(p5) - Note on operation of scrutiny system during the previous term

Purpose: The Committee will consider a list of the most recently deposited European proposals and a note on the operation of the scrutiny system during the previous term

Item 6: Consultation on the Sustainable Development Action Plan (11:20 - 12:00)

Paper: EUR(2) 04-04(p6) - Assembly Government Sustainable Development Action Plan

Purpose: The Committee will discuss the Assembly Government's Sustainable Development Action Plan

In attendance: Strategic Policy Unit

Item 7: Update from Committee of the Regions and British-Irish Inter-Parliamentary Body members and MEPs (12:00 - 12:15)

Purpose: Members of the Committee of the Regions and the British-Irish Inter-Parliamentary Body and MEPs will be invited to update the Committee on developments since the last meeting

Papers to note:

- Committee response to the European Commission document COM(2003) 843 final on the re-examination of the Working Time Directive
- Letter from DTI regarding UK Government proposals for reform of regional policy
- Letter from Deputy Presiding Officer regarding video-conferencing and broadcasting arrangements in the New Assembly Building