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STUDY DAY OF THE EPP-ED GROUP ON UKRAINE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT ASP 5E2* Brussels, 8 December 2005

Final Programme

Thursday, 8 December

- 08.30 Registration
- 09.30 Opening Hans-Gert Poettering, Chairman of the EPP-ED Group Jacek Saryusz-Wolski, Vice-President of the European Parliament
- 10.00 <u>Session 1</u> **EU-Ukraine: New Challenges** Chair: **Jerzy Buzek,** MEP, Former Prime Minister of Poland
 - Speakers: H.E. Roman Shpek, Ambassador of the Ukraine to the EU Loyola de Palacio, President External Policy Council, Partido Popular, Former Vice President of the Commission Elmar Brok, MEP, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee Hugues Mingarelli, DG External Relations, European Commission
- 10.45 Discussion

11:30 <u>Session 2</u> Ukraine after the Orange Revolution: Potential for a new democracy Chair: Rihards Piks, MEP, Former Latvian Minister of Foreign Affairs

> Speakers: Vlad Kaskiv, Adviser to President Yushchenko: The Challenge of the Ukrainian upcoming Elections March 2006 Juhani Grossmann, Freedom House director in Ukraine : Freedom of the press in the Ukraine Jacek Cichocki, Director, Centre for Eastern Studies, Warsaw: The evolving party systems in the Ukraine Pavol Demes, Director, Central and Eastern Europe, German Marshall Fund, Slovakia: Human Rights and the Ukrainian civil society

- 12.15 Discussion
- 15.00 <u>Session 3</u> *The Ukrainian Economy: Dynamics of Change* Chair: **Charles Tannock**, MEP, Vice-President of the EU-Ukraine Delegation
 - Speakers: Marek Dąbrowski, Chairman of the CASE Foundation: "Economic policy priorities for the Ukraine"
 Anders Åslund, Director, Russian and Eurasian Program, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace: Restructuring the Ukrainian economy
 Petr Bachraty, Senior EU Affairs Officer, AJG European Consulting: Euro-integration and Foreign Investments in the Ukraine - climate, condition, desirable changes
 Rainer Geiger: Deputy Director, Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs OECD: The legal and administrative capacity of the Ukraine
- 15.45 Discussion
- 16.30 <u>Session 4</u> *Neighbourhood and Beyond Towards a privileged partnership* Chair **Ursula Stenzel**, MEP
 - Speakers: Jukka Leskela, Head of Unit, Council of the European Union: The EU and Ukraine: blueprints for partnership
 Michael Emerson, Senior Research Fellow CESP Brussels: The EU and the Ukraine towards free trade.
 Antonio Missiroli, Chief Policy Analyst, EPC Brussels: The Ukraine and EU Security
 Anatoliy Kruglashov, Director, Department of Political and Social Sciences, Chernivtsi University, The Ukraine as a regional stabilizing factor.
- 17.15 Discussion
- 18.00 Conclusion **Jacek Saryusz-Wolski**, Vice-President of the European Parliament
- 18.30 End of Conference