

Is there a need for a 'new pact' for Europe?

Wednesday 17 June 2015, 10.00-17.30
BOZAR, Rue Ravenstein 23, 1000 Brussels

PROGRAMME

- 10.00** **Welcome**
Luc Tayart de Borms, Managing Director, King Baudouin Foundation
- 10.10** **Presentation of the New Pact for Europe**
Janis A. Emmanouilidis, Director of Studies, European Policy Centre
- 10.25** **Keynote Speech**
Herman Van Rompuy, President Emeritus of the European Council
- 11.00** **Panel Debate**
'State of the Union' - Is there a need for a 'new pact' and are we ready for it?
Elmar Brok, Member of the European Parliament
Danuta Hübner, Member of the European Parliament
Didier Reynders, Deputy Prime Minister; Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Affairs, Belgium
Loukas Tsoukalis, President, Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP); Professor, University of Athens
Jacki Davis, Meade Davis Communication (*Moderator*)
- 12.30** **Lunch**
- 13.30** **Parallel Workshops**
Workshop 1
Enabling Union – How to promote growth, jobs, investments, and structural reform?
George Pagoulatos, Professor, Athens University of Economics and Business; Member of the Governing Board, ELIAMEP (*Introduction*)
Guillaume Klossa, Founder of EuropaNova
Katarzyna Zajdel-Kurowska, Member of Board of the National Bank of Poland
Paweł Świeboda, Institutional Team Leader, European Political Strategy Centre, European Commission (*Moderator*)

Workshop 2

Supportive Union – How to strengthen the Union’s ‘caring dimension’?

Henning Meyer, Editor, Social Europe Journal; Senior Visiting Fellow, London School of Economics (Introduction)

Elsa Fornero, Professor of Political Economy at the University of Turin; former Minister of Labour, Social Policies and Gender Equality of Italy

György Schöpflin, Member of the European Parliament

Isabell Hoffmann, Project Manager, Bertelsmann Stiftung (*Moderator*)

Workshop 3

Participatory Union - How to enhance the EU’s legitimacy and accountability?

Giovanni Grevi, Director of FRIDE (*Introduction*)

Andrew Duff, former Member of the European Parliament

Christian Iaione, Visiting Professor of governance of the commons, LUISS Guido Carli

Isabelle Schwarz, Head of Advocacy, Research and Development, European Cultural Foundation (*Moderator*)

Workshop 4

Energy Union – The EU’s new grand project?

Janis A. Emmanouilidis, Director of Studies, European Policy Centre (*Introduction and Moderation*)

David Buchan, Senior Research Fellow, Oxford Institute for Energy Studies

Peter Van Kemseke, Expert, Cabinet of Vice-President of the European Commission Maroš Šefčovič

14.45 **Coffee break**

15.15 **Panel Debate**

What are the potential key elements of a ‘new pact’ between Member States and between the EU and its citizens?

Valdis Dombrovskis, Commission Vice-President for the Euro and Social Dialogue (*Opening remarks*)

Gordon Bajnai, former Prime Minister of Hungary; Group Chief Operating Officer, Meridiam

Roger Liddle, Member of the House of Lords; Chair of Policy Network

Maria João Rodrigues, Member of the European Parliament, Vice-Chair in charge of Economic and Social Policies

Paul Taylor, European Affairs Editor, Thomson Reuters

Jacki Davis, Meade Davis Communication (*Moderator*)

16.45 **Closing Debate with**

Frans Timmermans, First Vice-President of the European Commission

17.30 **Cocktail reception**